

Feb 16, 2023 | Peace and Conflict Resolution Month

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. – Rotary Mission Statement



# Rotary Club of Blacksburg

(Club 5753)

# Join us for Lunch!

Meets every Thursday at Noon Blacksburg Country Club

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## Join This Week's Meeting

This week, we hope you'll join us to get an update from Rotarian Walter Hughes who will speak to our club on efforts to bring clean water and sanitation to Ghana.

## **Announcements**

Our Lucky Super Bowl Matrix Winners are:

- 1 Quarter with a Score of Chiefs 7 and Eagles 7 = Eric Johnsen! \$370.00 to you!
- 2 Quarter with a Score of Chiefs 14 and Eagles 24 = Bruce Roulstone! \$370.00 to you!
- 3 Quarter with a score of Chiefs 21 and Eagles 27 = Chuck Lee! \$370.00 to you!
- 4th and Final Score with Chiefs 38 and Eagles 35 = Dick Bohlin! \$740.00 to you!!!

The biggest winner was the Rotary Club of Blacksburg Local Foundation, which received \$1,850! Thanks all who participated.

## About This Week's Program

Walter Hughes earned Rotary's Vocational Service Leadership Award & Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service. He was recognized as a White House Champion of Change. Walter's team is providing clean water and sanitation to 971,967 people in Africa in 2023. Walter is a member of the Salem, Virginia Rotary Club in District 7570. Our goal is to reach 1 million lives changed by 2024. His team partners with 321 Rotary Clubs in 78 Rotary Districts in 32 U.S. states, 5 Canadian Provinces and 14 countries including Ghana, Mexico, India, Australia, Switzerland, Taiwan, England, South Sudan, Pakistan and South Africa.



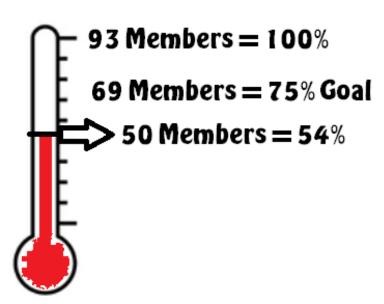
Walter has 20 years' experience working in Africa. Our early Rotary projects located wells in communities with the highest incidence of Guinea worm disease in Ghana and South Sudan partnering with the Carter Center. The World Health Organization certified Ghana as free of Guinea worm disease in 2014. He traveled to South Sudan in 2013 and again during the civil war in November 2015 to inspect Rotary's clean water project. Rotary is close to eradicating both Guinea worm disease and polio from the world.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by Franklyn Moreno:

"Precaution, I never dared to be radical when young for fear it would make me conservative when old.

## Gold Club Check-In

We're now over **50% participation** thanks to 5 new contributors this month towards our goal of 75% participation by members in donating at least \$25 to Rotary International each year. (Thanks Phil Araman, Larry Ball, Karim Khan, Whittney Ratcliffe, and Peter Weimerskirch!)



On This Month's Cover: Rotary members, in partnership with Ukraine Friends, delivers a convoy of 40 ambulances to Kyiv, Ukraine. Since the start of the war, Rotary has awarded more than 300 disaster response grants and donated millions directly to Ukrainian clubs that are providing people with food, shelter, medicine, and clothing.

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## The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say, or do...

Is it the <u>Truth</u>?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

Will it build <u>Goodwill</u> and <u>Better Friendships</u>?

Will it be <u>Beneficial</u> to all concerned?

## **Club Leadership**

President: Phil Araman
President-Elect: Tom Ryan
President-Nominee: Eric Johnsen

Secretary: Leslie Jester Treasurer: Fred Meyers

## **Club Directors**

Club: Tom Ryan Vocational: Eric Johnsen Local: Bruce Roulstone International: Chuck Burress

Youth: Mary Biggs

## **District and Global**

RI President: Jennifer Jones
District Governor: Kathy Kanter
Area 9 Governor: Terri Fisher
District Secretary: Nancy Whitlock
District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham

## Meet-A-Rotarian – Second Chance!



## Lauren Dudley

My Lauren Dudley joined LewisGale Hospital
Montgomery in July of 2022 as Chief Executive
Officer for the 146-bed medical and surgical facility in
Blacksburg, VA. Lauren is an experienced healthcare
executive with more than 14 years in the industry.
Throughout her career, she has served in a variety of
key leadership roles with both large complex and
small acute care hospitals within HCA Healthcare.
Lauren most recently served as Chief Operating
Officer for HCA Florida Lawnwood Hospital, where
she is credited for leading facility construction
projects totaling more than \$120M of capital funding
for facility expansion and driving multiple service line
technology upgrades. She's had tremendous

success streamlining operational efficiencies, service line expansion, and capital improvements within HCA Virginia facilities. Lauren served as Vice President of Operations at Chippenham Hospital in Richmond, VA, where she drove the execution of complex service line development including Level I Trauma designation, first air medical program in the Capital Division, and partnering with Burn & Reconstructive Centers of America. Prior to that, Lauren served as the Vice President of Operations and Ethics and Compliance Officer for John Randolph Medical Center in Hopewell, VA.

Lauren is excited to be involved in the community she serves, to ensure our patients have the very best care available to them whenever they need us. She serves on the Blacksburg Partnership Board, Onward New River Valley Board, HCA LewisGale Montgomery/VCOM Board, American College of Healthcare Executives, and other key community groups.

Lauren earned her bachelor's in Business Administration and Marketing from Appalachian State University and her master's degree in Business Administration from the University of North Carolina. Lauren is a graduate of HCA Healthcare Leadership Institute's Executive Development Program and earned the Outstanding National Group Capstone Project Presentation Award for her approach to growing a physician relationship with a bariatric service line. Lauren strives to be a leader that makes personal connections within her team while creating passion for remarkable patient experiences.

February 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Chuck Lee Peter Weimerskirch	Noon Meeting	3	4
5	6	7 Satellite Club 5:30 PM	8	Noon Meeting Matthew Shortt	10 Franklyn Moreno	11
12	13	14	15 MICAH'S	16 Noon Meeting	17 Mike Jones	18
19	20	21 Satellite Club 5:30 PM	Bruce Roulstone	Noon Meeting	24 Dick Bohlin	25
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## **Upcoming Programs and Events**

Feb 23 - Rotary Exchange Student Program

Mar 2 – RI Wheelchair Project

Mar 9 – Addressing Water and Health Issues

Mar 16 – Human Trafficking in Southwest Virginia

Announcement: Our club will pack backpacks for Micah's on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. through the school year. St. Michaels Church, 2308 Merrimac Road, Blacksburg. Mark your calendars.

## Need a Make-Up?

**Blacksburg Satellite Club** 

Corp. Research Center – 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Tues 5:30pm

**Montgomery County** 

Inn at Va. Tech – 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 7:15 AM

Christiansburg-Blacksburg

Blacksburg C.C. 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Monday 5:30 PM

Floyd

Floyd Country Store, Wednesday Noon

Radford

Long Way Brewing, Wednesday Noon

Salem

Salem Civic Center, Thursday Noon

Pulaski

Pulaski CC of Thornsprings, Monday 12:15 PM

Giles

Location varies; please call, Thursday Noon

# Supporting our Local Community through your Primary Sponsorship to Rotary Club of Blacksburg

As a Primary Sponsor of the Rotary Club of Blacksburg, you can diversify your dollar into our Local Community. Through sponsorship, you will be supporting the Local Organizations supported financially as well as through Rotary sweat equity.

The Rotary Club of Blacksburg currently works with;

Financial and Time support for the Montgomery County Christmas Store

Financial and Time support for the Interfaith Food Pantry

Financial and Time support for Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Financial support for the Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley

Scholarships for Montgomery County High School seniors who excel in Fine Arts

Scholarships for Montgomery County High School seniors who excel in Math and Science

Scholarships for Montgomery County High School seniors who excel in Career & Technical Education

Financial support and Recognition for a Citizen of the Year

Financial support and Recognition for a First Responder of the Year

Financial Support for the Community Health Center of the NRV

Financial Support and Time support for the Nature Play Area of Heritage Park

Financial Support of the YMCA

Time Support of 2 Adopt A Spot road cleanups in Blacksburg

Financial Support and Time Support of Micah's Backpack program

Financial Support and Time support of the NRV Glean Team

Financial Support of the Rotary Club of Blacksburg Mountain Biking Skills Park

As well as our Global efforts through Rotary International.

Primary Sponsorship is a Annual 501C3 Charitable Tax Deductible gift of \$3000 for a commitment of 3 years. The Primary Sponsor program is limited to 15 Primary Sponsors who will have their name and/or Logo on signage to be displayed at every Rotary Club of Blacksburg meeting and event throughout the calendar year, your name and/or logo displayed on emails sent to club members throughout the calendar year as well as your name/logo displayed on out weekly club bulletin. We will highlight our Primary Sponsors through our Rotary Club of Blacksburg social media sites as well.

We would love to partner with you in our support of our Local Community.



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