


Rotary Club of Blacksburg The Bulletin

This Week's Program:
NRV Regional Commission

Rotary 
District 7570
Club 5753

Feb 2, 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



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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 of the NRV Region Commission on what's going in our region and their mission.

Announcements

Save those bags! The Interfaith Food Pantry is looking for Kroger or Food Lion Grocery Bags. Please bring in your extra bags to an upcoming meeting and give them to Paula Alston, who will deliver them to the Pantry.

Our monthly night with Micah's Backpack for packing food is moving to Thursdays from 6pm to 7pm. This month, we also have our original schedule, so this month there will be two packing events: our old one on February 15th, and on February 23rd. From thereon, it will be the 3rd Thursday of every month.

About This Week's Program

The New River Valley Regional Commission is an organization comprised of 13 local governments and three higher education institutions for the purpose of encouraging collaboration to address regionally significant issues and opportunities. Also known as PDC 4, our organization encompasses the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the City of Radford.



The New River Valley Regional Commission provides area wide planning for the physical, social, and economic elements of the district; encourages and assists local governments in planning for their future; provides a means of coordinating federal, state and local efforts to resolve area problems; provides a forum for review of mutual concern; and implements services upon request of members.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by Franklyn Moreno:

"I once knew a politician who had his own hands in his own pockets."

Mark Twain



Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

Today, over 70 million people are displaced as a result of conflict, violence, persecution, and human rights violations. Half of them are children. We refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts. Rotary creates environments of peace.



As a humanitarian organization, peace is a cornerstone of our mission. We believe when people work to create peace in their communities, that change can have a global effect. By carrying out service projects and supporting peace fellowships and scholarships, our members take action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, discrimination, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Our commitment to peacebuilding today answers new challenges: how we can make the greatest possible impact and how we can achieve our vision of lasting change. We are approaching the concept of peace with greater cohesion and inclusivity, broadening the scope of what we mean by peacebuilding, and finding more ways for people to get involved. Rotary creates environments where peace can happen.

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 Truth?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

Will it be Beneficial 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



Gold Club Check-In

We are just over halfway through the Rotary year, and almost half of our members have donated at least \$25.00 to Rotary International. Keep up the good work and help us reach our goal for at least 75% of the members to donate during the year, which is required to receive a Gold Club Award from the District.

Thank you to these Members for helping our Club meet our 75% participation goal of donating \$25.00 or more to Rotary International during this fiscal year, since July 1, 2022!

Michael Abraham
 Peter Anderson
 Chris Belluzzo
 Dick Bohlin
 Christy Brown
 Chuck Burress
 Chris French
 Bill Gilmer
 Jim Halferty
 Jeff Hammel
 Larry Hincker
 Eric Johnsen
 Candi Kelly
 Gunin Kiran
 Christina McIntyre
 Fred Meyers
 Jeff Mitchell
 Mary Pettitt
 Dave Raymond
 Bruce Roulstone
 Jennifer Sowers
 Marc Verniel
 Peter Weimerskirch

Paula Alston
 Phil Araman
 Mary Biggs
 Michelle Brauns
 John Brown
 Steve Cole
 Mary Gilmer
 Sandy Grant
 Philo Hall
 Marquita Hill
 Leslie Jester
 Mike Jones
 Karim Khan
 Jim McAlister
 Jamie McReynolds
 George Miller
 Franklyn Moreno
 Walt Pirie
 David Reemsnyder
 Tom Ryan
 Tom Tillar
 Page Warner



Thank you to those who have their Rotary Direct set up to contribute between now and June 30, 2023!



Meet-A-Rotarian



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.



Calendar

February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Chuck Lee Pete Weimerskirch	2 Noon Meeting	3	4
5	6	7 Satellite Club 5:30 PM	8	9 Noon Meeting Matthew Shortt	10 Franklyn Moreno	11
12	13	14	15 MICAH'S backpack	16 Noon Meeting	17 Mike Jones	18
19	20	21 Satellite Club 5:30 PM	22 Bruce Roulstone	23 Noon Meeting MICAH'S backpack	24 Dick Bohlin	25
26	27	28				

Upcoming Programs and Events

- Feb 9 – Tenneco
- Feb 16 – First Responder of the Year
- 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 3rd 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 – 1st/3rd Tues 5:30pm
- Montgomery County**
Inn at Va. Tech – 1st/3rd Wednesday, 7:15 AM
- Christiansburg-Blacksburg**
Blacksburg C.C. 2nd/4th 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 our 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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