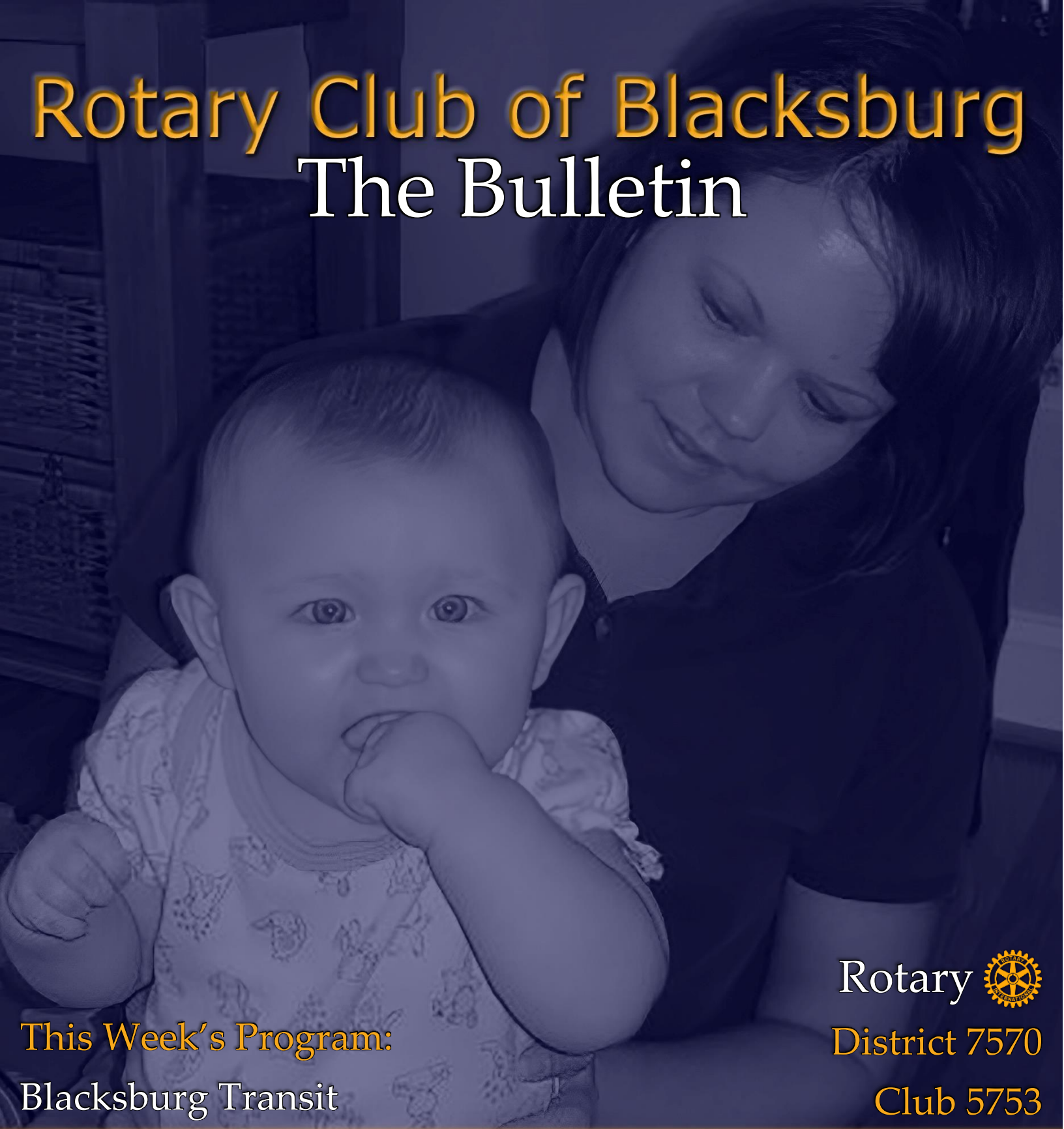



Rotary Club of Blacksburg The Bulletin



This Week's Program:
Blacksburg Transit

Rotary 
District 7570
Club 5753

April 13, 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

Join us this week to learn more about the Blacksburg Transit system.

Announcements

We will hold a Discover Rotary program on Thursday, at 11:30 a.m. where we eat lunch. Please invite a guest!

About This Week's Program

Blacksburg Transit provides safe, courteous, reliable, accessible and affordable public transportation to the citizens of Blacksburg, Virginia Tech, and partnering communities within the New River Valley.



We are committed to Safety, Courtesy, Reliability and the Environment.

We are committed to seek innovative solutions to enhance or expand service to meet the needs of our communities.

We are committed to see creative solutions to our current and future funding challenges.

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On This Week's Cover: Jennifer Sowers and her 2 year old grandbaby, Chloey in 2011.

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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



Rotary Projects Around the Globe

United States

Members of the Rotary Club of Kaka'ako Eco, Hawaii, tossed 5,000 mud balls filled with beneficial organisms into the Ala Wai Canal in Waikiki as part of a rehabilitation effort to make the waterway fishable and swimmable.



The healthy bacteria in the genki balls — made with soil, molasses, rice bran, and water — digest and oxygenate sludge at the bottom of the canal (genki means healthy in Japanese). In March 2022, more than 200 volunteers, including club members and friends, made the balls, advised by the Genki Ala Wai Project.

Three weeks later, they threw the fermented genki balls into the waterway. Donors paid \$5 per ball to defray some of the cost. “A lot of kids came out and we had canoes come through the canal to help throw the balls,” says Club President Jenny Do. “We blew the air horn and then hundreds of balls just went into the Ala Wai Canal.”

To see more stories of what Rotary clubs around the world are up to in the past month, visit:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-projects-around-globe-april-2023>



Calendar

April 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3 Chris Turman	4 Satellite Club 5:30 PM	5	6 Noon Meeting	7	8
9	10	11	12 Leslie Jester	13 Noon Meeting	14 William Flattery	15
16	17	18 Satellite Club 5:30 PM	19	20 Noon Meeting MICAH'S backpack	21	22
23	24	25 Chris Belluzzo Emily Gibson Candi Kelly	26	27 Noon Meeting	28	29
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Upcoming Programs and Events

- Apr 20 – Rotary Scholarships
- Apr 27 – Rotary Polio India Trip
- Mar 4 – Rotary Scholarships II
- May 11 – Radford Army Ammunition Plant

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