# Rotary Club of Blacksburg The Bulletin

This Week's Program: Lemur Research



## April 22, 2021 | Maternal and Child Health 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** 

www.rotary.org | www.rotary7570.org



## Join This Week's Meeting on Thursday at Noon!

Join us in person at Blacksburg Country Club or via ZOOM for this week's meeting featuring Meredith & Brandon Semel and their Lemur Research!

#### If attending via ZOOM;

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81714103112?pwd=NIREeUdJcE96YmNidG92UkN6VjFrQT09

Meeting ID: 817 1410 3112 Passcode: 114627

You can also join by phone: (646) 558-8656 using the meeting ID and passcode above.

### Annual Golf Tournament and Fundraiser

Our annual golf outing is Monday, June 14th at Blacksburg Country Club. Check-in/range practice begins at 11:00 A.M. with a boxed lunch starting at 11:30. We'll have a shotgun start at 1:00 with awards following competition. Please spread the word to folks that can put a team together and/or sponsor a hole. This is one of our largest fundraisers for our foundation and helps us support numerous local organizations. It is even more important this year since last years event was canceled. Please consider playing, sponsoring, or volunteering to help with check-in etc. Contact Mike Snyder or Daniel Schroeder with questions.

### This Week's Speaker: Brandon and Meredith Semel

Brandon is originally from northern Illinois and did his undergraduate work at Duke University at the Duke Lemur Center. He then worked in Madagascar for about ten years and enjoys photography, traveling, and backpacking. He just completed my PhD in Fish and Wildlife Conservation at Virginia Tech.

Meredith grew up in Charlotte, North Carolina and studied biology at Queen's University of Charlotte where she studied abroad in Malaysia where she developed a passion for wildlife conservation. After graduation she spent a year studying baboons and leopards in South Africa and lemurs in Madagascar and have been working in Madagascar ever since. In the coming months, she will be finishing her PhD in biology at Virginia Tech, but when I'm not studying lemurs, I spend my time hiking with my husband and daughter, painting, and taking care of our pet chameleons. This bulletin is sponsored by Jim McAlister, in memory of his mother, Peggy McAlister



Peggy McAlister (pictured left), was a public health nurse serving Wythe County for 30 years, including during the 1950 Polio epidemic. Thanks to Rotary International, we have essentially eradicated this disease, but must stay vigilant.

The Bulletin is published weekly by the Public Relations committee. For suggestions, comments, or to add an announcement to the bulletin, send your request to Chris French at chris.french@gmail.com or 347-306-4740 by Tuesday of the week you want the announcement to appear. Please include "Rotary" in the subject of your email.

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## Local News



## 5th Thursday Social April 29 5:00 p.m. Rising Silo Brewery 2351 Glade Road



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## The Four-Way Test

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

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

Is it <u>Fair</u> 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

JOIN US!!

Rotary

Club of Blacksburg

President: Arthur Shaheen President-Elect: T.J. Anthony President-Nominee: Ken D'Amato Secretary: Leslie Jester Treasurer: Philip Walker

## 🚯 Club Directors

Silent Auction and

Kentucky Derby

fundraiser. Bring

your money!

Club: T.J. Anthony Vocational: Chadd Yeatts Community: Susan Erickson International: Peter Weimerskirch Youth: Karen Stemen

## 🛞 District and Global

RI President: Holger Knaack District Governor: Nancy Whitlock Area 9 Governor: Cora Gnegy District Secretary: Ron Napier District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham

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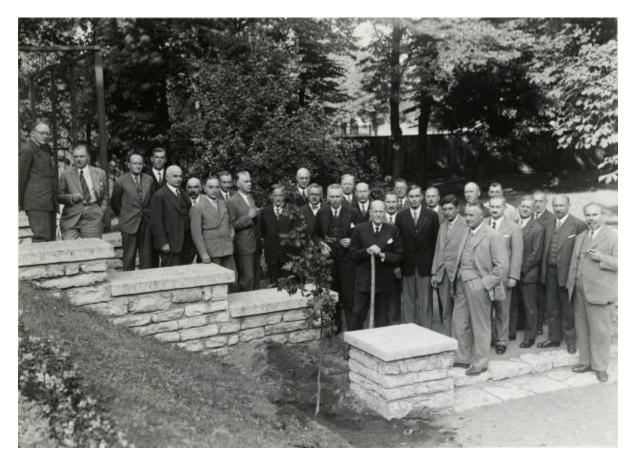


## Friendship Trees: Paul Harris' Lasting Symbol of Goodwill Celebrate his April 19 birthday by planting a tree

As Rotary's president emeritus, Paul Harris traveled extensively during the 1920s and 1930s, often accompanied by his wife, Jean. During these trips, the nature-loving Harris planted trees to symbolize goodwill and friendship.

In the fall of 1932, Harris embarked on a five-week tour of European Rotary clubs and planted trees along the way.

"Wednesday forenoon I planted my first tree of friendship in European soil. It seemed to me especially appropriate that it took place in Germany — in its metropolis — Berlin. The planting occurred in a sports platz formerly devoted to war purposes, and a large number including Rotarians, city officials, and others were in attendance."



Ever since, Rotarians have planted trees in the name of fellowship, friendship, and community service. These trees, which can be found worldwide, have grown into enduring monuments of Rotary's ideals.



## Calendar

April 2021								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
				1	2	3 Chris Turman		
4	5	6 Gatellite Club	7	8	9	10 Dan Goerlich		
11	12 Leslie Jester Ron Rordam	13	14 William Flattery	15	16	17		
18	19	20 Satellite Club Mark Miear	21	22	23	24		
25 Chris Belluzzo Candi Kelly Chadd Yeatts	26	27	28 Billy Hite	29 5th Thursday Club Social!	30 Ken D'Amato			

## **Upcoming Programs and Events** Apr 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday Club Social at Rising Silo!

May 6 (Clubhouse) – Science & Math Scholarships

May 13 (Clubhouse) – Career & Technical Scholarships

May 20 (Clubhouse) - Fine Arts Scholarships

## Save the Date!

### June 14 - Annual Rotary Golf Tournament

"Reading is the key that opens doors to many good things in life. Reading shaped my dreams, and more reading helped me make my dreams come true."

- Ruth Bader Ginsburg

## Need a Make-Up?

Montgomery County Inn at Virginia Tech – Wednesday, 7:15 AM

Christiansburg-Blacksburg Blacksburg Country Club, Monday 5:30 PM

Floyd Country Store, Wednesday Noon

#### Radford

Best Western Radford Inn, Wednesday Noon Kuhn Barnett School Building, Tuesday 5:30 PM

Salem Salem Civic Center, Thursday Noon

#### Pulaski

Pulaski CC of Thornsprings, Monday 12:15 PM

#### Giles

Giles Community Hospital, Thursday Noon



#### **BLACKSBURG COUNTRY CLUB 1PM SHOTGUN START**

**1064 CLUBHOUSE ROAD BLACKSBURG, VA 24060** WWW.BLACKSBURGCC.COM

Check-In Begins: 11:00 A.M Range Practice: 11:00 A.M. - Start Individual Boxed Lunch: 11:30 a.m. Shotgun Start: 1:00 p.m. Awards/Reception Following Competition: 6:00pm

The Foundation of the Rotary Club of Blacksburg was established to offer support to our local community. Annually, the Foundation provides scholaships to area high school students and financial support and services to local organizations. Organizations supported include:

## **REGISTRATION FORM**

Individual

Team Name or Company Sponsor

Email	
Player #2	
Email	
Player #3	
Email	
Player #4	
Email	
1	FEES:
\$450/Team	\$115/Individual

**INCLUDES:** One Mulligan Per Player,

One Raffle Ticket Per Player, Range Balls, Red Tee Package, Tee Gift, 18 Holes Green Fee & Cart. Boxed Lunch at 11:30AM

Raffle Tickets 3 for \$5 or 8 for \$10

Return Registration Form and payment by May 31, 2021 to: Foundation of the Rotary Club of Blacksburg P.O. Box 770 Blacksburg, VA 24060-0770

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- Free Clinic of the New River Valley
- Interfaith Food Pantry
- Blacksburg Athletic Club
- Shelterbox
- Valley Interfaith Child Care Center
- Winning Choices through MCPS
- Women's Resource Center
- Rotary International Polio Plus
- Unite to Light
- Stop Hunger Now

will be awarded to top 3 teams in each flight (there will be two flights) and closest to the Pin on Par 3's, which include: Golf at regional courses, Restaurant Gift Cards, Memorabilia, etc.

#### THE FOUNDATION OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF BLACKSBURG

**BE A HOLE SPONSOR!** \$100 per hole A sign will be posted with your name on the hole sponsored

Check this box to be a hole sponsor.

FOR QUESTIONS AND MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT DANIEL SCHROEDER dschroeder@fhmtg.com OR MIKE SNYDER msdenhill@vahoo.com