

Rotary Club of Blacksburg The Bulletin



This Week's Program:

District Conference 2024 Discussion

Rotary 

District 7570

Club 5753

June 8, 2023 | Rotary Fellowships 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

We look forward to seeing you at noon at the Blacksburg Country Club for our regular meeting. This week's presentation will be given by Club Secretary, Leslie Jester, on what we can expect as the District Hosting Club for 2024.

Announcements

Paula's Installation: Paula's installation as District Governor will be held on Monday, June 19th, at 5:30pm at the Blacksburg Country Club. If you would like to attend, please let Leslie know and she will get you registered.

FROM CHRIS BELLUZZO, YARD SALE COMMITTEE: The annual Rotary yard sale will be held on Saturday, August 19, we are looking forward to another great sale! Please start collecting your gently used donation items for the sale. We are looking for as many volunteers for shifts as possible in order to make the sale a great one. There are two shifts, 6AM-9AM and 9 AM-12PM. Each shift counts as a make up, in other words, if you can help both shifts, you get two make ups! Please email Chris at smcc_va@yahoo.com with your choice of shifts, or if you can work both. Looking forward to another great sale!

Congratulations Mike Burnop on being inducted into the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame this week!

About This Week's Program

We are the Host club for our District 7570 Conference in 2024. The conference will be held March 15-17, 2024 at the Inn at Virginia Tech. This week, Leslie Jester will talk to the club about what it means to the host club, the roles we need members to play, and how important it is for us to attend.

This week's bulletin is sponsored
by Paula Alston:

In memory of our fallen
soldiers and sailors and in
honor of our current military
members



Rotary International Convention concludes with a message of hope.

After imagining the future of Rotary in Melbourne, Australia, members and speakers at the 2023 Rotary International Convention looked ahead to next year's gathering in Singapore and being able to share hope with the world by focusing on mental health and well-being.

During the convention's closing session, 2023-24 Rotary International President R. Gordon R. McNally explained why he's asking members to make mental health a priority. When his only brother took his own life, McNally said, he became determined to fight the stigma around mental health issues and expand access to care.

"I might venture to suggest that one of the main reasons that my brother and so, so many others like him reach the point they do is that mental health remains such a taboo subject, and that mental health services remain in such short supply," he said. "I know that Rotary can do something about that. I am confident we can illuminate mental health needs near and far."

"To create hope, we must continue doing our important work, and do it better than ever before," he said. "We must refocus our efforts to build peace across the globe. And we must help each other find peace within — and share that ethic of care to the people we serve."

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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

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Club: Tom Ryan
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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 Fellowships

June is designated as “Rotary Fellowships Month” by the RI Board to recognize the importance of international fellowship and good will among Rotarians with similar recreational interests, vocations, health, and hobbies, to promote increased participation in fellowships and increase understanding of this program.

The RI Board encourages fellowships groups to highlight activities through projects, activities, and events in June but all year, as well. Rotary Fellowships informally began in 1928 when a group of Rotarians with an interest in Esperanto joined together. Today there are over 90 different fellowships, from amateur radio to yoga and everything in between. Surely there is one that covers your interests or hobbies.

“Fellowship is wonderful; it illuminates life’s pathway, spreads good cheer, and is worth high price.”

-Rotary Founder Paul Harris

ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

90+



fellowships are active as of 2021 with more being formed each year.

150+



countries are home to fellowship members.

US \$11



is the average yearly dues for membership in a fellowship.

40,000+



members belong to Rotary Fellowships.

Find more information at rotary.org/fellowships.

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Calendar

June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Noon Meeting	2	3
4	5	6 Satellite Club 5:30 PM MICAH'S backpack	7	8 Noon Meeting	9	10
11	12	13 MICAH'S backpack	14	15 Noon Meeting	16 David Reemsnyder	17
18 Todd Murray Dawn Myers Karen Stemen	19	20 Satellite Club 5:30 PM MICAH'S backpack	21	22 Noon Meeting	23	24
25 Judy Ridinger	26 John Sutphin	27 MICAH'S backpack	28	29 Noon Meeting	30 John Brown	

Upcoming Programs and Events

June 15 – Citizen’s Climate Lobby - Alaina Coppa

June 19 – Paula’s installation, 5:30pm BCC

June 22 – Changing of the Guard to Tom Ryan

June 29 – Informal social TBA (dutch treat)

Micah’s Backpack Update: This summer, our club has volunteered to increase our packing frequency with Micah’s Backpack. Starting on June 6th, our club will be sending volunteers to help every Tuesday during summer.

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



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If you are interested in more information on becoming a Primary Sponsor for the Rotary Club of Blacksburg, please contact Leslie Jester!