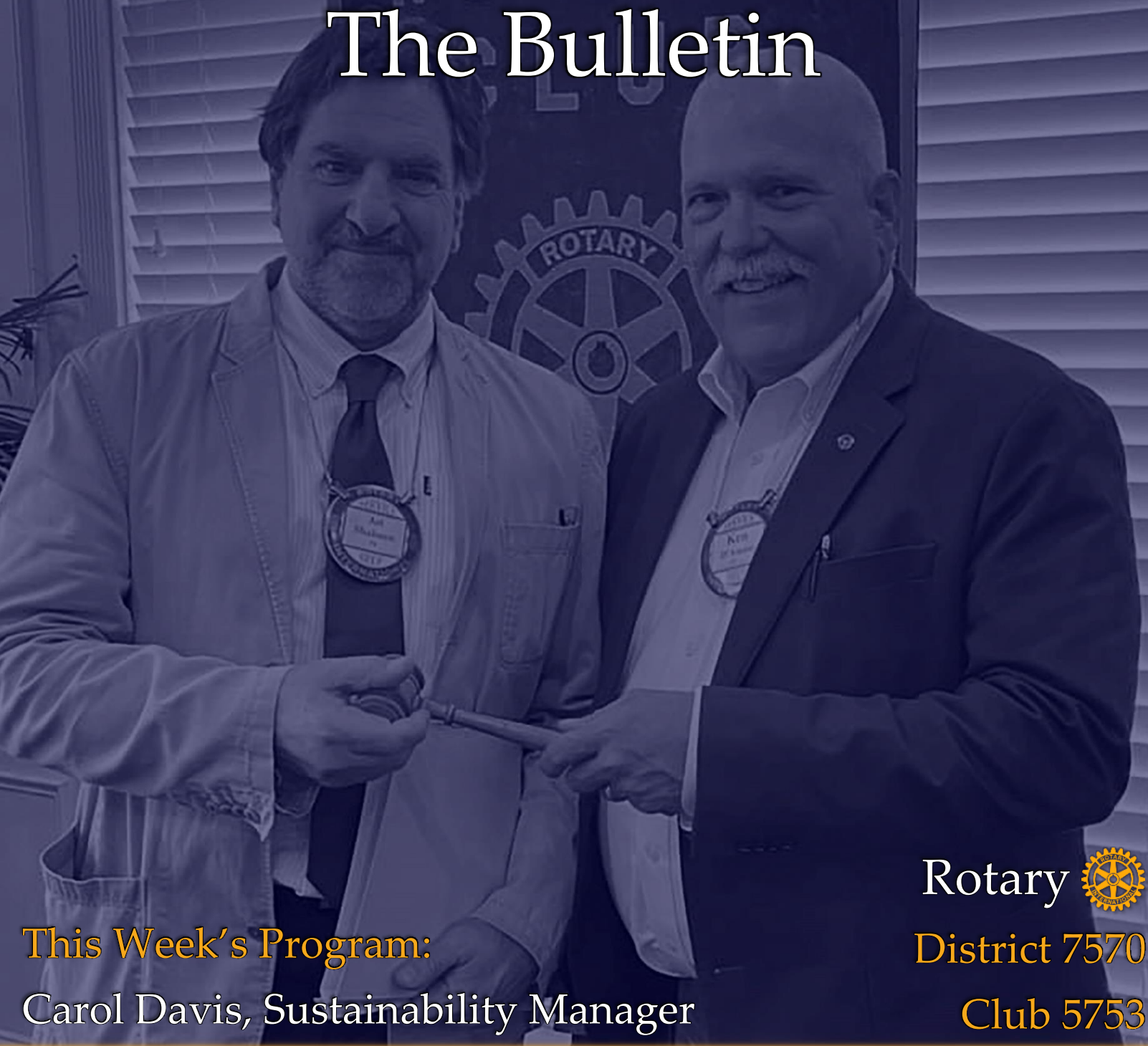


# Rotary Club of Blacksburg

## The Bulletin



This Week's Program:

Carol Davis, Sustainability Manager

Rotary 

District 7570

Club 5753

July 15, 2021 | Transition 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 on Thursday at Noon!

We hope that you will be able to join us, in person or virtually, to hear about Sustainable Blacksburg and what this means for our community. Please use the following link if you will be ZOOMing with us;

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82026721949?pwd=UTNzd29IS2hlenVESzI1UmtGVXo4dz09>

Meeting ID: 820 2672 1949

1-646-558-8656

Passcode: 725629

***This week's Meeting:*** We will welcome Carol Davis via ZOOM. Carol is the Sustainability Manager for the Town of Blacksburg, Virginia. In this role, she works on a broad range of sustainability issues, including climate mitigation, adaptation, and resiliency planning; alternative transportation; land use policies that advance green building and affordable housing; local and state energy policy; aging-in-place; water quality; and stewardship of public lands. In her spare time, Ms. Davis enjoys volunteering with Habitat for Humanity, the Poverty Creek Trails Coalition, and the New River Valley Bike Kitchen. She currently serves on the boards of Sustainable Blacksburg, The New River Land Trust, the New River Valley Bike Kitchen.

## 2021-2022 Rotary Theme

2021-22 RI President Shekhar Mehta announced his theme "Serve to Change Lives" during the opening session of the International Assembly last January. The theme serves as an inspiration for all Rotarians and a rallying call for our efforts in 2021-2022.



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

This week's bulletin is sponsored by



In thanks to all those in the medical community for their efforts and sacrifices over the past year.



# Meet our Area 9 Governor

## AG Cora Gnegy



Cora Gnegy is the Tourism Marketing Director for Giles County, VA. She has a passion for outdoor adventures and exploring new places. Having obtained a B.B.A. of Management from James Madison University, where she was a third-generation student, Cora began her hospitality and tourism work at the historic house museum, Belle Grove Plantation in Middletown, VA. Owing and operating Agritourism Consulting and

Event Planning (ATCEP) ventures since 2008, Cora has matched clients with creative business and event solutions in the agricultural and natural resources industries.

Cora also received a M.S. in Agricultural and Life Sciences from Virginia Polytechnic and State University while working with the Cooperative Extension Service. In her current role she is tasked with developing marketing strategies and partnerships to drive visitor traffic including cultivating cooperative advertising and public relation opportunities. She also works in destination marketing, agritourism & heritage marketing, event development & implementation, and economic and community development.

Cora used to make a living singing and there is picture proof of fringe Patsy Cline outfits, but now she enjoys singing for a few events annually. She loves to travel and often takes multiple trips a year to explore new places (having rarely gone back to the exact location twice). On most trips Cora seeks out local diners, disc golf courses, scenic hikes, or antique shops- all of course, in the name of research.

Cora joined Rotary in 2012 with the Rotary Club of Giles County. She served as Club President from 2013-2018. She is currently serving in her third year as Area Governor for Area 9.

## Connect with us!



### E-Mail

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### Facebook

facebook.com/RotaryBlacksburg



### Web

www.blacksburgrotary.org

## 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: Ken D'Amato  
President-Elect: Phil Araman  
President-Nominee: Tom Ryan  
Secretary: L. Jester / R. Spencer  
Treasurer: Fred Meyers



## Club Directors

Club: Phil Araman  
Vocational: Eric Johnsen  
Local: Tom Ryan  
International: Peter Weimerskirch  
Youth: Karen Stemen



## District and Global

RI President: Shekhar Mehta  
District Governor: Tara Ellis  
Area 9 Governor: Cora Gnegy  
District Secretary: Tim Carter  
District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham





# Micah's Mobile backpack



Tuesday, 12 Rotarians, and 4 spouses met at St. Michael's Lutheran Church to back 100 bags for Micah's mobile backpack program. It only took 15 minutes to fill the bags, because many hands make light work! We also restocked their shelves, so they are ready for the next group. This will be entered into the Zone's Hunger Initiative Feed10Million project, making the Blacksburg club the second club in our district to enter a project and record meals this Rotary year. The bags represent 600 meals. The Feed10Million project will continue all year. If you make a personal donation to a feed bank or have volunteer hours helping with a food project, let Paula know. It all counts!



Many thanks to Candi and Mike Kelly, Ken and Sharon D'Amato, Tom and Susan Ryan, Paula and Tom Alston, Steve and Rosemary Cole, George Miller, Hank Johnson, Church Burrell, Susan Erickson, and Judy Ridinger for participating. Alec Siegel made the arrangements and kept us moving!



# Sponsorships

**100% of your sponsorship dollars go to the Local Foundation and count as your annual donation.**

- \$20 for 1 Week Sponsorship
- \$50 for 1 Month Sponsorship (Limit 3 Per Sponsor per Rotary Year)
  - Runs every week for a calendar month.
  - Guaranteed to appear in at least 4 bulletins (will flow over to future available weeks in the event less than 4 bulletins are done in that month)
- \$135 for 3 Month Sponsorship (Limit 1 Per Sponsor per Rotary Year)
  - Guaranteed to appear in at least 12 bulletins total during current Rotary year.
  - Sponsor can decide if weeks should appear consecutively or spread out.
- \$300 for Gold Sponsor (1 Max)
  - Runs every week for 3 calendar months.
  - Months do not have to be consecutive.
  - Runs in additional weeks, as available, until it has been shown at least 20 weeks total during the current Rotary year.
  - After being shown 20 weeks, logo will continue to be shown in any week where no other sponsor is available.
  - Deadline for current Rotary year – 9/30/2021
- \$800 for Platinum Sponsor (1 Max)
  - Runs every week for a Rotary year.
  - Deadline to apply for Current Rotary Year – 7/31/2021
  - If there is a platinum sponsor, there will be no other sponsorships available.
  - Physical Sign at Meeting (Near Badges) recognizing sponsor at every meeting.

**Please contact Paula Alston or Chris French for more information!**

## *Throwback Thursday*



**DG Chris Runion's visit to Area 9. We were on the Road to Giles County. Fall of 2016.**









**Wong Park work party, circa 2004.**





# Calendar

## July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 	5	6  Satellite Club	7	8 	9	10 Jeff Mitchell 
11	12	13  Mike Snyder	14	15 	16	17
18  Jamie McReynolds	19  Jeffrey Wynn	20  Satellite Club  Doug Smartt	21	22 	23	24
25	26	27  Colin Gibb	28	29   Arthur Shaheen	30	31

## Upcoming Programs and Events

- July 15 – Carol Davis, Blacksburg Sustainability Manager
- July 22 – Dr. Abraham Hardee, Racial Disparities in Health
- July 29 – Club Social – Rising Silo, 5:00 p.m.
- Aug 5 – Keith Holt, VT Montgomery Executive Airport
- Aug 12 – VT Football!

**“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.” – Mahatma Gandhi**



**Rotary**  
Club of Blacksburg



# 5th Thursday Social

(No lunch meeting this day)

## July 29 5:00 p.m.

## Rising Silo Brewery

2351 Glade Road

Join us for fellowship and friendship at the Rising Silo Brewery. Bring your better half and invite guests. Dogs are welcomed. Get your drink tickets from Alec at the door.

