

Aug 19, 2021 | Membership and Club Extension 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

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Join This Week's Meeting

We hope that you will be able to join us and other Rotarians throughout our area to welcome District Governor Tara Ellis to Area 9. We will be meeting on **Thursday at 6:30 PM**, at **The Pavilion at Smithfield Plantation**, located at 1000 Smithfield Plantation Road.

ROTARY YARD SALE

FROM CHRIS BELLUZZO, YARD SALE COMMITTEE: Yard Sale is this Saturday. The trailor is in place and there is a Master padlock on the side door. The combination is 12-34-20. (Turn right three full revolutions, stopping on 12. Turn left one full revolution, then continue turning left and stop on 34. Turn right to 20.) There are donation tax forms inside. Chris' phone number is 540-449-2277 if you have any difficulties.

Micah's Backpack Packing



MICAH'S BACKPACK: We have committed to pack backpacks on the 4th Tuesday of each month during the school year. Our next date is August 24 at 6:00 p.m.. Micah's operates out of St. Michael Lutheran Church, 2308 Merrimac Rd, Blacksburg. We need 20 volunteers each time so please include family members and friends. We are hoping for

a good mix from the club and satellite club. It takes about 45 minutes.

We pack approximately 100 bags then restock their supplies. Please let Alec Siegel know if you are able to volunteer. alec@siegelsearch.com This is a great service project and is worth 600 meals each time for the Hunger Initiative Feed10Million program. Please join us!

This week's bulletin is sponsored by

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

Please find below and attached the invitation for our August 19th official District Governor visit. We will meet for a potluck dinner and social at the Pavilion at Smithfield Plantation. The host club, Blacksburg, will provide the mains/meats and paper ware and ice will be provided. All other attendees are asked to RSVP with their number in their party and what they'll be bringing so we can ensure to have a variety. Attendees are also highly encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for our District Hunger Project. Clubs are also asked, in lieu of a gift for DG Tara that a check be made to Feeding Southwest Virginia.

RSVP's can be sent to Rotarian Sandy Grant, sandy@sandygrant.com of the Blacksburg Club.



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

All guests are highly encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for donation to the District Hunger initiative.

In lieu of a gift for the District Governor, Clubs are asked to bring a donation for Feeding Southwest Virginia.

You're invited to a potluck meal and social to welcome to Area 9 the

7570 DISTRICT GOVERNOR TARA ELLIS

Thursday, August 19th, 2021 at 6:30pm

The Pavilion at Smithfield Plantation 1000 Smithfield Plantation Road Blacksburg, VA 24060

Blacksburg Rotary Club as host, will provide meats. Paperware and ice will be provided. All RSVP's please identify what item(s) you'll bring to the potluck.

RSVP to Sandy Grant sandy@sandygrant.com RSVP by Thursday, August 12, 2021

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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: 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



Meet District Governor Tara Ellis



Tara Ellis joined the Rotary Club of Bristol VA-TN in 2010 and immediately became a very active member. She served as the 99th President in 2015-2016 as well as a member of the Board of Directors. In 2017, Tara led our District's GSE team to India. She led the Rotary Club of Bristol VA-TN in raising more than \$12,000 and served as the International Partner toward the Global Grant initiated by Rotary District 3060 in India that purchased, installed, and trained staff on twenty dialysis machines that were

placed at existing facilities in order to provide much needed access to dialysis at a very reasonable cost for the poorest in Gujarat-Maharastra India.

Tara is a Major Donor, a Sustaining Member, a member of the Paul Harris Society and Bequest Society, a Benefactor, and a Skelton Fellow. She is an RLI graduate, was a member of the 2018 Zone 33/34 Emerging Leaders Class and received the District Service Award for 2017-2018.

In her professional life, Tara is the Director of Management Services at Bristol Tennessee Essential Services (BTES) where she is responsible for human resources, the customer service department, and BTES' facilities. She holds a bachelor's degree in English and Communications, an MBA with a concentration in Marketing, a Professional Human Resource (PHR) certification, and is a Society of Human Resource Management – Certified Professional (SHRM-CP). Tara and her husband, Paul, live in Northeast Tennessee.



| August 2021 | | | | | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| Jason Jennelle Mary Miller Doug Winstead | Chuck Burress | Satellite Club | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | Satellite Club | 18 | 19 | 20 Dan Carper | 21 |
| George Miller | Chris French | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | 1 | 1 | |

Upcoming Programs and Events

Aug 26 - Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce

Sep 2 – Virginia Tech Men's Basketball

Sep 9 – Pollinator Biology and Ecology

Sep 16 – Blacksburg Housing Development

Need a Make-Up?

Montgomery County

Inn at Virginia Tech – Wednesday, 7:15 AM

Christiansburg-Blacksburg

Blacksburg Country Club, Monday 5:30 PM

Floyd

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