


Rotary Club of Blacksburg

The Bulletin



This Week's Program:
NRV Rail History

Rotary 
District 7570
Club 5753

May 13, 2021 | Youth Service 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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Rotary Opens Opportunities

Join This Week's Meeting on Thursday at Noon!

We hope that you will be able to join us tomorrow to hear Colonel Bud Jeffries share about the NRV Railroad History at Blacksburg Country Club at Noon! Reminder that we are meeting in the **MAIN CLUBHOUSE** this week.

If attending via ZOOM;

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82131409805?pwd=UkF0SzFMWmNSY0NLMkxiaTc5TWR1Zz09>

Meeting ID: 821 3140 9805 Passcode: 403878

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

Annual Golf Tournament and Fundraiser

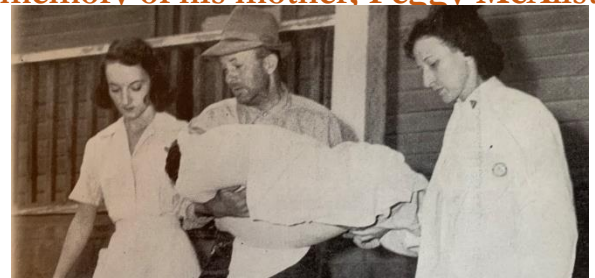
Our annual golf outing is Monday, June 14th at Blacksburg Country Club. Check-in/range practice begins at 11:00 A.M. with a boxed lunch starting at 11:30. We'll have a shotgun start at 1:00 with awards following competition. Please spread the word to folks that can put a team together and/or sponsor 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 Program

Col. Jeffries is the seventh generation of the family founded by William and Mary Draper Ingles, one of the most famous families of the Western Virginia frontier. Jeffries and his wife, Ann, still live on the historic working family farm that dates back to 1747.

Jeffries is the author of N&W Giants of Steam, considered to be the encyclopedia of Norfolk & Western Railway's steam locomotive design, engineering and tractive power. Jeffries is also a longtime member of the Norfolk & Western Historical Society and the Roanoke Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society.

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.



Local News

From the **Environmental Committee**

ATTRACTING BIRDS TO YOUR YARD CAN BE A JOY






It's simple to set up a BIRD BATH! Put a container of water about 2.5 feet above ground. If you don't have a base to set your birdbath on, buy a small bath that has clamps making it easy to attach it to a surface such as your deck. Keep the water no deeper than two to three inches. I put a flat rock in its center to give the birds "footing." Regularly rinse the bath with fresh water, rinse and refill with fresh water. Keep a brush on hand to periodically clean it.



WINTER: "The simplest way to provide water in winter is to set out a plastic bowl at the same time each day, and bring it in when ice forms." Another of several possibilities is: When the water freezes, pour hot water into it (unless it's glass) in the morning, enough that some water melts in the container.

For more information, see <https://www.allaboutbirds.org/news/attract-birds-with-birdbaths/> This 2-page note says "The key to attracting birds is to keep your bath full of water at all times."

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



Club Directors

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



Ontario Rotary Clubs Help with Vaccines

Rotary and Rotaract members in Kingston, Ontario, Canada, have been volunteering at the region's largest COVID-19 vaccination center, helping to facilitate the process of immunizing hundreds of people per day.

Shortly after COVID-19 vaccines became available to the province in March, Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington (KFL&A) Public Health converted a hockey rink in the INVISTA Centre into a vaccination site. Local health workers have been vaccinating about 300 people a day and are preparing to inoculate up to 2,000 a day when more vaccine become available.

Appointments were initially open to medical workers, people who are at least 80 years old, and residents of nursing or retirement homes. But appointments will expand to people in other demographic groups when the supply increases.

Mike Moore, a member of the Rotary Club of Kingston-Frontenac, was watching news coverage of mass COVID-19 vaccination sites in the U.S. when he realized local Rotary clubs could be of use at the site near them.

"It's directing traffic or directing people or assisting in any non-technical way," says Moore. "This is what we do — we volunteer for stuff like this all the time. Our public health authorities aren't usually dealing with a pandemic, and I knew they would need help."

Moore contacted KFL&A Public Health officials to offer two volunteers for each of the three, three-hour shifts every day. The 42 total volunteers are from the four Rotary clubs and two Rotaract clubs in the greater Kingston area, and some are friends of Rotary. Their work has consisted mostly of greeting, ushering, and screening clients.

Moore went further and compiled a longer list of volunteers who are on standby for when the clinic expands its hours. The list includes Sarah Beech, a member of the Rotaract Club of Kingston, whose schedule has prevented her from filling a daytime or weekend shift.

"I've been a part of Rotary for more than 10 years now, starting with Interact and now Rotaract," she says. "We have a huge network of people willing to coordinate and make things happen. The fact that we could jump into action and assist this large clinic and get the vaccination process going has been exciting."

42

Number of volunteers from Rotary and Rotaract clubs, including friends of Rotary

300

Average daily number of vaccinations at the INVISTA center

2,000

Daily goal of vaccinations when supplies of vaccine increase



Calendar

May 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Satellite Club Karim Khan	5 Mike Fisher	6 	7	8
9	10 Sandy Grant	11	12	13 	14	15
16 Daniel Schroeder	17	18 Satellite Club Mel Huber	19	20 	21	22
23 Marilyn Bowman	24	25	26	27 Phil Araman	28	29
30 Peter Anderson	31					

Upcoming Programs and Events

- May 13 (Clubhouse) – NRV Railroad History
- May 20 (Clubhouse) – Fine Arts Scholarships
- May 27 – Opioid Crisis
- June 3 – Wong Park Picnic
- June 10 – Club Assembly
- June 14 - Annual Rotary Golf Tournament**
- June 17 – Local Foundation
- June 24 – Changing of the Guard

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



Rotary



FOUNDATION OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF BLACKSBURG 20TH ANNUAL BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

MON 2021
JUNE 14

**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 scholarships to area high school students and financial support and services to local organizations. Organizations supported include:

- Montgomery County Christmas Store
- 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



REGISTRATION FORM

Team Individual

Team Name or Company Sponsor _____

Team Captain/Individual _____

Email _____

Player #2 _____

Email _____

Player #3 _____

Email _____

Player #4 _____

Email _____

FEEES:

\$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

Prizes

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

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