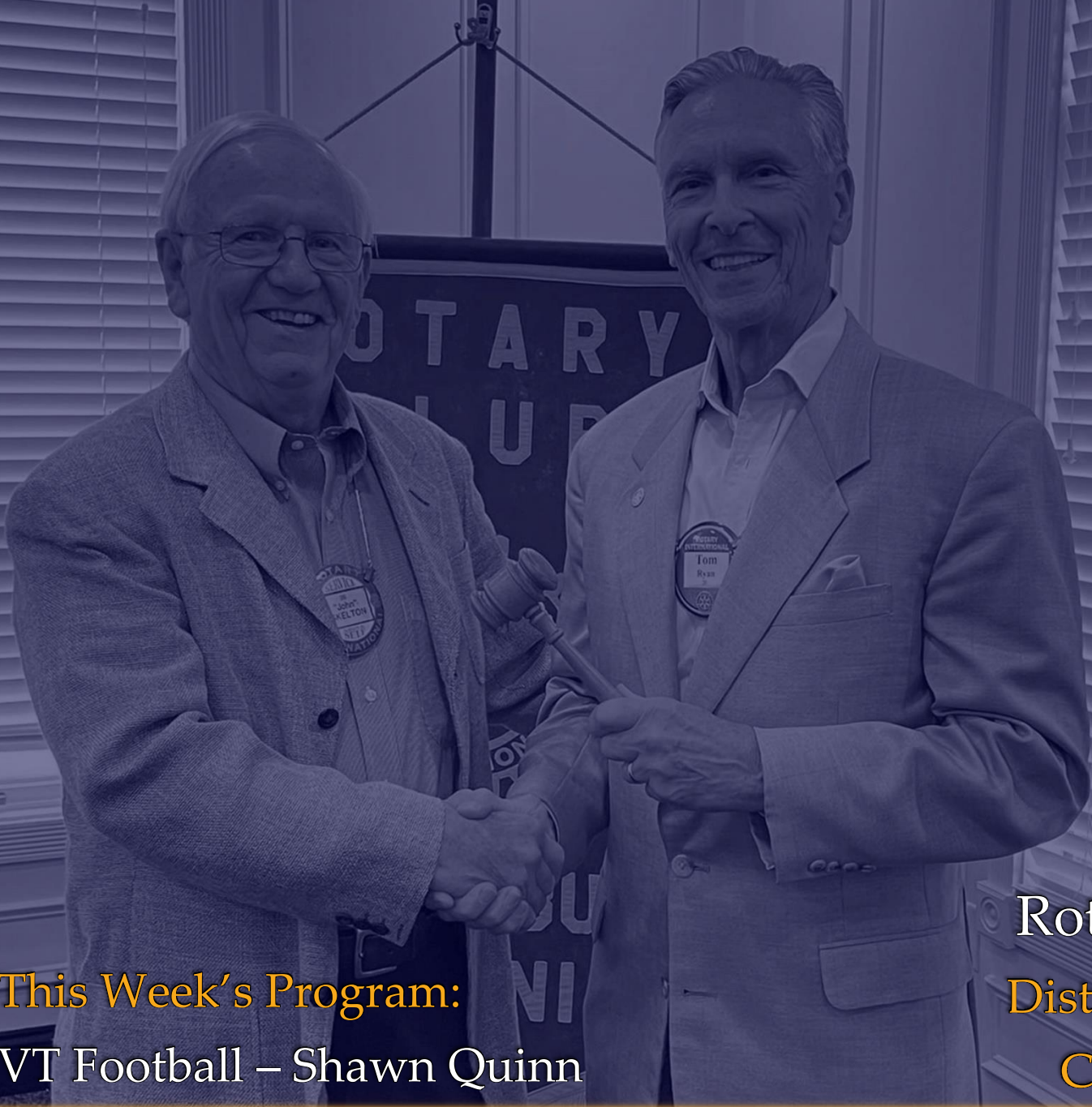


Rotary Club of Blacksburg The Bulletin



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District 7570

Club 5753

This Week's Program:
VT Football – Shawn Quinn

July 27, 2023 | Transition Month

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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. Our program this week will include a visit from Coach Shawn Quinn to talk on the upcoming Virginia Tech football season.

Announcements

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!

Thank You to everyone who helped with the VT Prison Book Project last week. We selected, wrapped, and mailed 47 packages! And thank you to Dr. Britt, Savannah, and Belle for making it all happen.

This Week's Program:



Virginia Tech head football coach Brent Pry announced Dec. 5, 2021 that former Savannah State head coach Shawn Quinn has joined his coaching staff as the Stars/Nickels Coach. Pry and Quinn previously collaborated at Georgia Southern in 2010 when Pry served as defensive coordinator and Quinn worked as the line backers coach. The duo also worked together at Louisiana-Lafayette from 2002-06. Quinn has spent the past three years as the head coach of Savannah State where he led the Tigers to a 16-6 record after transitioning from the FCS level to NCAA Division II.

Quinn's squad went 8-2 in 2021, the program's most victories in 26 years as Tigers finished eighth in NCAA Division II in total defense (249.8ypg). Due to COVID-19, Savannah State did not play a fall season in 2020. In 2019, Quinn piloted the program to a 7-3 record, the team's first winning record since 1998.

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When it comes to fundraising, Interactors are crushing it!

Mehreen Rosmon isn't even out of high school, but she's already having a big impact on her community and the world. The senior from Fremont, California, leads Interact District 5170, one of Rotary's larger Interact districts. Launched in 1962, Interact brings young people ages 12-18 together to develop leadership skills and serve their communities.

The money raised by Interactors in Rosmon's district isn't chump change. The 123 Interact clubs in District 5170 are on track to raise more than \$40,000 by the end of this school year, Rosmon says. The funds will go toward causes the Interact district has chosen for 2023: alleviating food insecurity in the San Francisco Bay Area and improving water, sanitation, and hygiene conditions in Honduras. "Clean water is a basic necessity, but some 829,000 people are estimated to die worldwide each year as a result of unsafe drinking water," Rosmon says. Her district is working with the nonprofit organization Water1st to fund piping, flushing toilets, and showers for 15 homes in southern Honduras.

Read the full story at:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/when-it-comes-fundraising-interactors-are-crushing-it>

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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

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President-Nominee: Bruce Roulstone

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Local: Jamie McReynolds

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Youth: Mary Biggs

District and Global

RI President: Gordon McInally

District Governor: Paula Alston

Area 9 Governor: Terri Fisher

District Secretary: Nancy Whitlock

District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham



Meet RI President Gordon McNally

Gordon McNally grew up in Portobello, a picturesque seaside area of Edinburgh, notable for its beautiful beach with light-colored sand and wooden groynes (barriers to protect the shoreline) jutting out into the water of the Firth of Forth.

Gordon and Heather met in their late teens, and their relationship blossomed on a trip to Florence, Italy, with a combined choir from their separate schools in Edinburgh. "We're not in each other's pockets; we do our own thing," Heather McNally says. "Even with Rotary, I belong to the Borderlands passport club [a satellite club of the Rotary Club of Selkirk], and Gordon is a member of South Queensferry. Our lives have always worked like that, largely due to work commitments, where we go off in different directions. We're both independent people, but we always come home at night and tell each other what we've been doing."



The couple have two daughters, Rebecca and Sarah, and two grandchildren, Ivy and Florence. He describes Heather as "a very, very tolerant lady who has been a great support to me over the years." He adds: "She's always a good sounding board. I can rely on Heather to tell me it as it is. If I give a presentation, everyone's going to tell me it was great, but Heather will always tell me the truth! I know I couldn't do this job without her support."

When they married at Craigsbank Parish Church in Edinburgh, Gordon McNally became a member of the Church of Scotland, having previously been a member of the Methodist Church. Now an elder and trustee in the church, he has also served as a presbytery elder, chairman of his parish congregational board, and a commissioner to the church's general assembly.









"My parents instilled in me and my late brother a sense of helping and caring for others that has remained with me for life," he says. "My personal faith, and my upbringing within a family with a similarly strong faith, has definitely impacted my life choices and career."

McNally owned and ran a busy dental practice in Scotland's capital for more than three decades, retiring in 2016. He held teaching and examining posts and served as a branch chairman of the British Paedodontic Society (now the British Society of Paediatric Dentistry). After living for many years in South Queensferry, the McNallys relocated to Scottish Borders when he stepped back from day-to-day practice. The move was over 30 years in the planning.

"All the time I was working as a dentist, we said it would be nice to ultimately make our home in the Borders, because it's where my forebears came from," he says. "My mother's family were farmers, and my mother was born on a farm about 15 miles from here. I've said to people since we came here that I feel as if my DNA has come home."



Calendar

July 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 	5	6 NO MEETING	7	8
9	10 Jeff Mitchell 	11 MICAH'S  backpack	12	13 Noon Meeting Mike Snyder 	14	15
16	17	18 Satellite Club 5:30 PM MICAH'S  backpack Jamie McReynolds 	19	20 Noon Meeting	21	22
23	24	25 MICAH'S  backpack	26	27 Noon Meeting	28	29
30 Ben Jackson 	31					

Upcoming Programs and Events

Aug 3 – Committee Day

Aug 10 – Tour of new Blacksburg Police Station

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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