

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM & NEWS

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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?

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Feb 26, Binioube Aleyao, Project HelpAfrica

Mar 5, Dr. Osimani, Heart, Health, and Cardiac CTA

Mar 12, Terry Hall, APCO

Mar 19, Erica Williams, Mont Co Clerk's Office Update

Mar 20-22, Rotary District Conference at The Homestead (Weekend event)

Mar 26, South Africa GSE Team

ROTARY NEWS THIS WEEK

We did it! We raised over \$14,000 for the Rotary International Foundation.

Thanks to all those who helped make our event such success. Whether you pledged to be an Rotary International sustainer, underwrote the event, helped with the credit cards, participated in the mask contest, judged the mask contest, played music, paraded to when "when the saints come marching in", ate, drank, laughed, or socialize, we thank you! The money raised will enable us to name Paul Harris Fellows and a multitude of other things.

An exciting fact: we have now **contributed over \$400,000** to Rotary International over the life of the club. That is an **average of \$13,333** per year since this club was founded 30 years ago.

A few recognitions from the evening:

--Congratulations to Sue McAlister (wife of Jim) for being select as "Best Mask". Sue was awarded a gift certificates to Sal's Italian Restaurant and Baja Bistro (coming soon to First & Main).

-- "Oh, baby, baby" we heard Leslie Frantz holler out when she found the baby in the King Cake. Leslie won four passes to the new Baja Bistro.

--The Sustainer Drawing winner was T.O. Williams with a weekend get away to the Hotel Roanoke. However, T.O. graciously put the gift back into the auction to raise more money for the club. THANKS T.O.!

All-in-all it was a very nice evening. If you didn't come, we are sorry you missed it 'cuz we had fun!!! Who knows what's in store for next year??

A special thanks to our event underwriters Brown Insurance; The Creekmore Law Firm PC; Frank, Spicer & Cox PC; Michael Cooke CPA PC; MOOG; Shaheen & Shaheen

Additional thanks to the Hotel Roanoke, Hometown Bank, Bull & Bones Brewhaus & Grille, Sal's Italian Restaurant & Pizza, and **Baja Bistro** Fresh Mex Grille for supporting our efforts

Rotary District Conference:

The early-bird registration will be **extended through MARCH 7**. The rates remain the same: Full registration = \$130. Day-tripper registration = \$100. If you plan to stay at The Homestead, there are still rooms available at the Rotary discount. But you must act soon! The deadline for holding the block of rooms was February 17, and this date was not extended. However, rooms are still available in this block, so call now!

FROM KARIN CLARK: Check out our Web site at <http://www.blacksburgrotary.org/> ! Many thanks to Peter Thompson for the new look and easier navigation. Tell us what you think. If you have any suggested changes send a note to Karin Clark at kclark@lunainnovations.com .

FROM BARBARA NEWTON, We are doing great with the Kroger program! A report is coming soon. Keep loading your cards. Find out about the **Kroger fundraiser** at www.Rotary7570.org/blacksburg/ourprojects.htm . Kroger has given us almost \$4,300 for our efforts so far! If you need a card email me at bjnewt@comcast.net .

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH (Sorry if we missed your birthday. Send a note to: bjnewt@comcast.net)

Feb 1	Chuck Lee
Feb 5	Reid Broughton
Feb 6	Jordan Truesdell
Feb 7	Anna Beth Benningfield
Feb 10	Franklyn Moreno
Feb 12	Ferne Moschella
Feb 18	Victoria Cochran
Feb 20	Harold Hankins
Feb 21	Jerry Robinson
Feb 24	Dick Bohlin

DO YOU NEED A CLUB MAKE-UP? Spend just a ½ hour online at the Rotary eClubOne Web site learning about Rotary programs and activities around the globe, fill out the make up form and you're there. This link is available on our club website, www.blacksburgrotary.org. Or, make up at an area club. See the list of clubs online at http://blacksburgrotary.org/area_meet.html

To include news in the weekly Rotary email bulletin, noon lunch bulletin or Web site,

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Northeastern Tennessee

Yours & looking for the next fun project!

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