



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM & NEWS: March 11, 2010

The Rotary Club of Blacksburg, Club #5753

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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: March is Literacy Month!

Nearly 800 million people worldwide are unable to read or write and without these skills, they are especially vulnerable to poverty, hunger, and disease.

- March 11, Linda Moody, [Valley Interfaith Child Care Center](#) / Board Meeting follows
- March 18, Tommy Loflin, [Rotary Citizen of the Year](#) presentation
- March 19 - 21, [District Conference](#) at The Homestead in Hot Springs, VA (weekend event)
- March 25, Dr. Greg Daniels, Department Head, [Small Animal Clinical Sciences](#), Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine
- April 1, Brian Cloyd, [Haitian Mission Work](#)
- April 8, Brazil Group Exchange Team
- April 15, Steve Lester, Polio the last four [centuries](#)
- April 22, Leslie Frantz, Youth Achievement Fine Arts Awards presentation
- April 26, Blacksburg Rotary Golf Tournament
- April 29, Phil Hysell, Warning Coordination Meteorologist

FROM T.O. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT: Board meeting on March 11, immediately following the regular meeting.

FROM DAVE HUBBLE, TREASURER: If you are a quarterly Sustainer and/or Contributor and have not received your **quarterly invoice** for 1/1/10-3/31/10 please contact David Hubble at email: dhubble@hhhunt.com or 552-3515 ext. 318

FROM JIM JOHNSON: SECRETARY: Bruce Prouty, a long time member of the Rotary Club of Blacksburg and most recently an Honorary member, passed Last week. Here is the link to his obituary:
<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/roanoke/obituary.aspx?n=r-bruce-prouty&pid=140376251>

FROM LESLIE FRANTZ, CHAIR; YOUTH ACHEIVEMENT COMMITTEE: We have been asked for 3 to 4 volunteers interested in speaking and presenting the **Winning Choices awards** for the Montgomery County elementary schools the week of March 22. Under this program, all elementary school children are asked to complete essays on one of the character values associated with making "winning choices"-honesty, trustworthiness, kindness, etc. The essay contest winner is announced at an all-school assembly. If you are interested in assisting with the award presentation please forward your interest to me **by Thursday afternoon** to hometown_appraisal@msn.com.

FROM PAULA ALSTON, CHAIR, COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE: The community service project to create an in-office used book store for the Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley (LVNRV) actively began in January when Franklyn Moreno assisted a LVNRV volunteer with rebuilding an after-hours book drop. Our club then came together with the Christiansburg-Blacksburg Rotary on Saturday, February 20, to paint the office area and bathroom of the Literacy offices, located at 195 W. Main Street in Christiansburg. We had 8 members, plus three family members, meet on a sunny Saturday with ladders, paint brushes, rollers and pans. The Monday Night club also provided [6] members. The painting took less than two hours to complete! The following Saturday, Greg Lemmond, Jim Halferty and Paula Alston met to assemble 13 shelving units. The project should be completed in the next week, once the shelving is secured to the wall. In addition to the sweat equity, we paid to have the carpet and tile replaced, and we bought a new vacuum cleaner and window treatments. Thanks to Sherwin-Williams of Christiansburg for the donation of the paint and many thanks all who participated in making this a successful project.

FROM DEBBIE EWING, CO-CHAIR GOLF COMMITTEE: THINK GOLF!!! April 26th is our annual Golf Tournament. **We need your help - TEAMS and HOLE & CART SPONSORS.** Contact Gary Schroeder (gschroeder@lmlc.org) or Debbie Ewing (debbieewing@ewingcabinet.com) with any questions.

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH: Send a birthday wish to you fellow Rotarian.

04 March - David Harder

09 March - Steve Cochran

13 March - Mike Burnop

16 March - Jamie Dunn

19 March - Gene Wilson

22 March - Al Bowman

29 March - Alec Siegel

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 makeup form and you're there. This link is available on our club website, www.blacksburgrotary.org. Or, make up at an area club. Rotary International District 7570 (WWW.ROTARY7570.ORG) covers Western Virginia and Northeastern Tennessee. **To include news in the weekly Rotary email bulletin, noon lunch bulletin or Web site**, please forward to Karin Clark at karinclark507@comcast.net or call 230-5812.