

# THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM & NEWS

March 26, 2009

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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

Mar 26, South Africa GSE Team

Apr 2, Financial/Banking Crisis, Leton Harding, Exec VP, First Bank & Trust

Apr 9, Walter O'Brien, Portable Fuels

Apr 16, Jim Dubinsky, VT Volunteerism

Apr 23, Fine Arts Awards

[Apr 27, Rotary Golf Tournament](#)

Apr 30, Jack Lesko and Glenn Scutt, Beyond Hybrids

May 7, Mark Hurley, American Cancer Society

## ROTARY NEWS THIS WEEK

### ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE:

WOW! We sure had a good time. There were a record number of GSE Teams, interesting as always. And the best part is that WE WON an AWARD! Out of 83 Clubs in our area we were given the distinction this year of **Best Web Presence**. Congratulations to Peter, Karin, and Barbara for getting the Web updated with good information, nice photos and in a format that is easy to navigate. If you haven't checked the new format out yet, do so at [www.blacksburgrotary.com](http://www.blacksburgrotary.com). We now have information up about the Golf Tournament, applications for Career and Technical Scholarships, press releases and more. Any additional ideas for improvement please send to [kclark@lunainnovations.com](mailto:kclark@lunainnovations.com).

**FROM T.O. WILLIAMS:** I am looking forward to July 1 when you and I will share the responsibility for the continued success of the Rotary Club of Blacksburg. I feel very confident that with your support the 2009-2010 year will continue to be another year of growth for our Club. I am now asking you for that support. What contributions would you like to make? What programs would you like to see? What areas of club service are of interest to you? How do you see yourself contributing to this Club? Please take a few minutes to think carefully about our club and how you would like to

contribute. Use the form on our web ([linked here](#)) to share with the board and me your thoughts and areas of interest for the upcoming year. Through the Web you can you can automatically send it to Jim Johnson via email at [jfjohnso@ntelos.net](mailto:jfjohnso@ntelos.net) **Please complete by March 25.**

**FROM MICHAEL ABRAHAM**, Seeking host families for International Student Exchange! 1 of 3? Will you be one of three host families for this year's Rotary Exchange Student? We are looking for families to support our Youth Exchange Program during the August 2009 -- June 2010 school term. This is a wonderful program that truly enhances the lives of the international student as well as the host family. The incoming student attends high school and lives with 2-3 host families during the school year. This enables them to experience various American cultures, traditions and lifestyles. If you'd like to know more about this exciting cultural exchange, please contact Michael Abraham by **March 15**, at [bikemike@nrvuwired.net](mailto:bikemike@nrvuwired.net)

**THINK GOLF**, Coming up quick. April 27<sup>th</sup> is our Golf Tournament. The deadline for hole sponsors and team sign ups is April 23<sup>rd</sup>. [See the Web](#) to download team application and sponsorship forms.

**FROM BARBARA NEWTON**: Thanks for your support. \$4,700 is A LOT of money! We would like to earn \$6,000 by July 1<sup>st</sup>. Find out about the **Kroger fundraiser** at [www.Rotary7570.org/blacksburg/ourprojects.htm](http://www.Rotary7570.org/blacksburg/ourprojects.htm). If you need a card email me at [bjnewt@comcast.net](mailto:bjnewt@comcast.net).

**FROM BARBARA NEWTON: Yard Sale!** August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mark it on your calendar and start setting stuff aside as you clean up this spring.

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

Mar 3	Herb Miller
Mar 3	Mike Williams
Mar 4	David Harder
Mar 9	Steve Cochran
Mar 13	Mike Burnop
Mar 19	Gene Wilson
Mar 22	Al Bowman
Mar 28	Dave Arnold

Mar 29

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 make up form and you're there. This link is available on our club website, [www.blacksburgrotary.org](http://www.blacksburgrotary.org). Or, make up at an area club. See the list of clubs online at [http://blacksburgrotary.org/area\\_meet.html](http://blacksburgrotary.org/area_meet.html)

**To include news in the weekly Rotary email bulletin, noon lunch bulletin or Web site,** please forward to Barbara Newton [bjnewt@comcast.net](mailto:bjnewt@comcast.net) or Karin Clark [kclark@lunainnovations.com](mailto:kclark@lunainnovations.com)

Rotary International District 7570 ([WWW.ROTARY7570.ORG](http://WWW.ROTARY7570.ORG)) covers Western Virginia and Northeastern Tennessee

**QUOTE:** "Cautious, careful people, always casting about to preserve their reputations... can never effect a reform."  
Anthony Susan B.

Yours with the 4 Way Test,

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