

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM & NEWS

April 16, 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

Apr 16, Jim Dubinsky, VT Volunteerism

Apr 23, Fine Arts Awards

[Apr 27, Rotary Golf Tournament](#)

Apr 30, To Be Announced

May 7, Mark Hurley, American Cancer Society

May 14, Walter Hughes, Ghana Water Project

May 21, Outstanding Career and Technical Student Awards

August 22, Yardsale

ROTARY NEWS THIS WEEK

2009 Day of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil Thursday April 16. (Day of Remembrance) At sundown (approximately 8 p.m.), a candlelight vigil will be held on the Drillfield at the April 16 Memorial (rain or shine). The Virginia Tech Corp of Cadets will signal the start of the vigil with a Silent Drill. Please visit weremember.vt.edu for more information. Full details on events for the day can be found at <http://weremember.vt.edu/> .

FROM STEVE COLE Trash Collection on 460 Bypass-Price Fork Road, **April 18, 8:00 AM**. This counts as a make-up. Coffee follows at Mill Mountain.

DEBBIE EWING There are **11 days** until the Rotary Golf Tournament and we still need hole sponsorships and teams! Members please go to the date link above for the golf forms or take copies of the brochures and hole sponsorship forms that are on the table today. Contact Debbie at debbieewing@ewingcabinet.com or 449-1140 for any questions.

FROM CHRISTY BROWN Who do you know? Over the next week, think about your group of contacts and then invite one to attend our meeting. Forward our E-bulletin to them--it's full of information and has links to our web site. The number one reason people don't join Rotary is because they have not been asked. Think about it and

then treat someone to lunch at our club.

FROM MICHAEL ABRAHAM We are still 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, at bikemike@nrwuired.net.

FROM KARIN CLARK April 12th through 25th only: Bring your reusable grocery bags to Blacksburg Kroger Stores, and Kroger will donate 5 cents per bag used in store purchases to Sustainable Blacksburg! All Kroger customers to make a purchase on Earth Day, April 22nd, will receive a free reusable Kroger bag. Kroger offers this special, two-week program in partnership with Blacksburg Recycling and the Center for Applied Behavior Systems at Virginia Tech. For more information, contact Blacksburg Recycling at (540) 961-1806 or recycle@blacksburg.gov.

FROM BARBARA NEWTON We continue to get great support from Kroger. \$5,000 plus so far. We would like to earn \$6,000 by July 1st. Find out about the **Kroger fundraiser** at www.Rotary7570.org/blacksburg/ourprojects.htm. If you need a card email me at bjnewt@comcast.net.

Source News Story from College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, April 13, 2009.

William E. Skelton was inducted into Virginia Tech's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Hall of Fame on March 20. The Hall of Fame honors those individuals who exemplify career accomplishment and for their service to the college and university. Says the article in the April 13 story: *Bill Skelton was known worldwide for his exceptional lifetime of outstanding service to others. He lived by three mottos: "To Make The Best Better," "That I May Serve," and "Service Above Self." These three mottos for 4-H, Virginia Tech, and Rotary International, respectively, summarize his selfless commitment to serving others.*

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

(Sorry if we missed your birthday. Send a note to:

bjnewt@comcast.net.)

Apr 3	Chris Turman
Apr 3	Peggy Meszaros
Apr 5	Gary Schroeder
Apr 12	Leslie Frantz
Apr 19	Ellen Braaten

Apr 22 Dave Widder
Apr 23 Bob Hoover
Apr 25 Candi Kelly
Apr 25 Chris Belluzzo

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, please forward to Barbara Newton bjnewt@comcast.net or Karin Clark kclark@lunainnovations.com

Rotary International District 7570 (WWW.ROTARY7570.ORG) covers Western Virginia and Northeastern Tennessee

QUOTE: " The important thing is this: To be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are for what we could become." Charles Dubois

Yours in hopes of Spring Flowers!,

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