



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM & NEWS: April 29, 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: April is Magazine Month!

We turn our attention to Rotary publications and other means by which Rotarians the world over communicate their stories, their successes, their hopes and aspirations for the future.

- April 29, Phil Hysell, Warning Coordination Meteorologist
- May 1, Bone Marrow Drive at Cork & Fork
- May 6, Dr. Beato, Sports Medicine ([Montgomery Regional Hospital](#))
- May 13, MCPS Outstanding Career & Tech Awards
- May 20, Brenda Blackburn, MCPS Superintendent
- May 27, Jim Flowers, VT Knowledgeworks
- June 3, Dan Smith, First Bank and Trust



*Outstanding Fine Arts Students from last week.
Back Row, L to R - Aaron Craggett, Kimberly Slater,
Gwendolyn Sewell, Dillon Meacham
Front Row, L to R - Emily Eyestone, Emma Cobb*

FROM LESLIE FRANTZ, CHAIR YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT COMMITTEE: Last week, the Rotary Club of Blacksburg continued a nearly twenty-five year tradition of recognizing outstanding, talented graduating seniors from Montgomery County with scholarships for continuing education. Scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors enrolled in accredited secondary programs in Montgomery County who are pursuing further education in the fall of 2010 at the college or university level. The award \$750 cash award a framed certificate. Students are nominated by their teachers for their art in vocal, instrumental, visual, theater, dance, or literary. This year, the Rotary Club of Blacksburg recognized the following students:

- Gwendolyn Sewell - Christiansburg High, Art***
- Aaron Craggett - Eastern Montgomery High, Art***
- Emily Eyestone - Blacksburg High, Music***
- Kimberly Slater - Blacksburg High, Theater***
- Dillon Meacham - Blacksburg High, Music***
- Emma Cobb - Blacksburg High, Music***

FROM CHRISTY BROWN, INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE:

Rotary Clubs of Blacksburg and Christiansburg Challenge 200 to Be the MatchSM

Our Rotary Club is co sponsoring a Bone Marrow Donor Registration with the Christiansburg Rotary Club at Fork and Cork on Saturday. Help is needed in staffing the booth from 10:30AM to 7PM (you only need to volunteer for a 2 hour shift). Please contact Christy Brown and volunteer today.

We also need:

- 10x10 tent with something other than stakes to hold it down
- 6 folding chairs

You will get make up credit for helping with this project. Volunteer and help make this project a success.

(<http://www.blacksburgpartnership.org/fork/>).

Each year, more than 100,000 Americans are diagnosed with leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma and other diseases that may require a life-saving bone marrow or stem cell transplant. The Be The MatchSM Registry is the only hope for the 70 percent of patients needing a marrow transplant who do not have a matching donor in their family. Less than 4 in 10 patients receive the transplant they need, in many cases because no matching donor can be found. The Be The MatchSM Registry offers an opportunity to help a patient by registering to be a potential donor of bone marrow or stem cells. Anyone between the **ages of 18 and 60**, who meets the health guidelines and is willing to donate to any patient in need, may join the registry. The registration process **takes only about 15 minutes** and requires just a simple **health history, contact information** and a signed agreement to join, along with a **swab of cheek cells**. Volunteers are asked to provide personal identification and contact information for two family members or friends who will know how to reach you in the future if your contact information changes. If you are unable to join us on Saturday, May 1 you can participate in the Be The MatchSM online drive at www.bethematch.org. Click the "join now tab" and follow the online instructions. Use the promotion code **bletterle** when finalizing your registration. For more information about the May 1 event at the Cork & Fork Festival and how you can help, contact Christy Brown at cbrown@LLBrown.net or 540.552.5331.

FROM PAULA ALSTON, CO-CHAIR, LOCAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Tour the Free Clinic – The Free Clinic of the NRV will be offering 1 hour tours for Rotary members Wednesday, June 2 from 8:00-9:00 a.m. and Thursday, June 17 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at their location at 215 Roanoke Road in Christiansburg. They want the public to see what happens to the uninsured in our community and they want us to know how important their services will continue to be. Please plan on attending.

FROM FRANKLIN MORENO: The Christiansburg-Blacksburg Rotary Club will be holding a blood screening on Saturday May 1 from 6:30 to 10:00 at Memorial Hospital. Call 951-8988 for an appointment time. Cost \$30.00.

FROM KARIN CLARK, PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR: Go to the Rotary International Web, and see a video message where Bill Gates congratulates Rotary for surpassing the halfway point in the US\$200 Million Challenge. http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/100415_news_gatesvideo.aspx

FROM TARA OGLE, FAMILY OF ROTARY COMMITTEE: The Christiansburg Rotary Club has invited us to join their social this Wednesday evening, April 28, at Bull & Bones starting around 5:30 pm. Look for the group in the bar area.

FROM KARIN CLARK, PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR: Chile suffered a devastating earthquake in February that affected over 1.8 million people, according to the Chilean government. The Rotary Foundation has established the Rotary Chile Recovery Fund to assist victims of this disaster. Contributions will be used for long-term recovery efforts. Learn more and donate. http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/GeneralInformation/Announcements/Pages/100312_announce_foundationchilefund.aspx

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

April 03 - CHRIS TURMAN and PEGGY MESZAROS	April 22 - DAVE WIDDER
April 05 - GARY SCHROEDER	April 23 - BOB HOOVER
April 12 - LESLIE FRANTZ	April 25 - CANDI KELLY and CHRIS BELLUZZO
April 15 - CHRIS WINSTON	April 29 - Dale Earnhardt Sr.'s birthdate

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 Barbara Newton at bjnewt@comcast.net or call 230-5255.