


Rotary Club of Blacksburg The Bulletin

This Week's Program:
Monticello Spice and Tea

Rotary 
District 7570
Club 5753

March 27, 2025 | Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. – Rotary Mission Statement



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Rotary Club of Blacksburg

(Club 5753)

Join us for Lunch!

Meets every Thursday at Noon

Blacksburg Country Club

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Join This Week's Meeting

Come join us this week to learn more about the Monticello Spice and Tea Company, a locally owned and operated gourmet spice company.



Announcements



This March has been maddening! Let's lighten things up with a chance to win cash. For \$25 you can pick the men's OR women's bracket. For \$50 you can enter both! Each bracket winner will receive \$200 and the remaining portion of your donation goes to the Rotary Local Foundation to support our scholarships and other community outreach efforts. To secure your entries, find Emily Gibson during the March 27th Rotary meeting or ahead of the meeting by call/text 804-725-8559. Payments will be accepted via check, cash, or online at

<https://www.blacksburgrotary.org/donation>. Participants will be matched with a team (or teams!) by the end of the meeting.

About This Week's Program



Since 2007, Monticello Spice Company has been a pioneer in providing local restaurants with a distinctive range of Gluten-Free, Dye-Free, and Additive-Free herbs and spices. Our commitment to top-quality ingredients has made us the go-to choice for culinary excellence.

We take pride in delivering unparalleled herbs and spices to local restaurants and

businesses. Explore our extensive product list for a taste of exceptional quality. Click the link below to embark on a flavorful journey with Monticello Spice Company.

We offer a diverse range of specialty items, including pure extracts, dried fruits, nuts, and even hard-to-find items. We personalize our service to meet unique customer needs.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by:

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Rotary News

Providing public toilets: Early Rotary Service

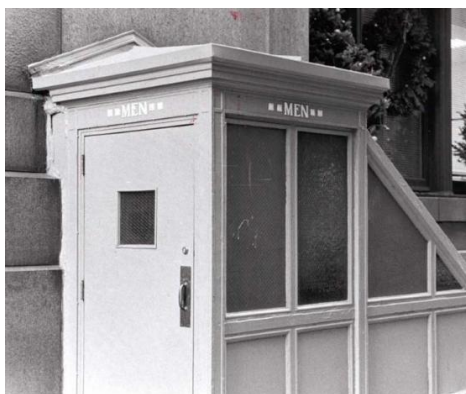
One of Rotary's earliest service projects helped to bring public toilets to Chicago, the quickly growing industrial city in the Midwest of the United States where Rotary began in 1905

These public toilets, then known as "comfort stations," were typically underground structures at busy sites such as parks and public squares. Civic leaders and reformers in several American cities were noting a need for them, and Rotary members in Chicago were part of the movement.

Rotary founder Paul Harris and his fellow member Donald Carter worked with other club members and other organizations to make a plan to build public toilet facilities in the city and gather support for the initiative.

In October 1907, the Chicago Daily Tribune (now the Chicago Tribune) reported that the Rotary Club of Chicago had had plans drawn for public toilets in the downtown district known as the Loop.

The club held a forum on the topic later that month, noting, "the topic is many-sided and can be treated to best advantage if we start with recognition of this fact and with due appreciation of its significance." Representatives from the club, the city, and other local organizations spoke at the meeting. The discussion cited the need for Chicago to keep up with the latest practices in municipal improvements and considered who would pay for the project and what impact it might have on sanitary conditions and public health in the city.



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The 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?

Club Leadership

President: Eric Johnsen
President-Elect: Bruce Roulstone
President-Nominee: Larry Hincker
Secretary: Leslie Jester
Treasurer: Fred Meyers

Club Directors

Club: Bruce Roulstone
Vocational: Jamie McReynolds
Community: Jim McAlister
International: John Sutphin
Youth: Judy Ridinger

District and Global

RI President: Stephanie Urchick
District Governor: Bret Hrbek
Area 9 Governor: Terri Fisher
District Secretary: Nancy Whitlock
District Treasurer: Jacob Higginbotham



Calendar

March 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 Satellite Club 5:30 PM Steve Baffuto Susan Erickson | 5 | 6 Noon Meeting | 7 | 8 Eric Fitchett |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Noon Meeting Mike Burnop | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 HAPPY St. Patrick's DAY Patrick Moran | 18 Satellite Club 5:30 PM | 19 | 20 Noon Meeting Christine Smith | 21 | 22 Al Bowman |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Noon Meeting | 28 | 29 Alec Siegel |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |

Upcoming Programs and Events

Apr 3 – Rotary Scholarships Part 1

Apr 3-6: DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Apr 10 – Rotary Scholarships Part 2

Apr 17 – Carilion Clinic Update

Apr 24 – Rotary Club Assembly

Micah's Backpack: You can help every Tuesday from 6-7pm at St. Michael for packing bags. Our club is committed to delivering bags to school every Thursday or Friday during the school year. Talk to Alec Siegel for more information.

Need a Make-Up?

Blacksburg Satellite Club

Corp. Research Center – 1st/3rd Tues 5:30pm

Montgomery County

Inn at Va. Tech – 1st/3rd Wednesday, 7:15 AM

Christiansburg-Blacksburg

Blacksburg C.C. 2nd/4th Monday 5:30 PM

Floyd

Floyd Country Store, Wednesday Noon

Radford

Long Way Brewing, Wednesday Noon

Salem

Salem Civic Center, Thursday Noon

Pulaski

Pulaski CC of Thornsprings, Monday 12:15 PM

Giles

Location varies; please call, Thursday Noon



2024-2025 Committee Assignments

Club Service – the First Avenue of Service (Director: Bruce Roulstone)

Program Committee: Chairs: Karim Khan, Franklyn Moreno

Chuck Burress, Mike Burnop, Christy Brown, Franklyn Moreno, Hank Johnson, Chuck Lee, Stephanie Kirkner, Tiffany Couch, Gunin Kiran

Public Image Committee: Chair Chris French

Sergeant at Arms Committee: Chair – Diane Boon

Doug Winstead, Susan Erickson, Hank Johnson, Chris Belluzzo, Terri Lynn Howard, Patrick Moran, Gunin Kiran

Family of Rotary & Special Events: Chair:

David Reemsnyder, Franklyn Moreno, Michael Snyder, Susan Erickson, Christine Smith, Phil Araman, Lisa Landes-Haynes, Alec Siegel, Judy Ridinger

History Committee: Chair

Paula Alston, Steve Cole

Vocational Service – the Second Avenue of Service (Director: Jamie McReynolds)

Membership/ Orientation Committee: Chair – George Miller

David Reemsnyder, John Brown, Bruce Roulstone, Marilyn Bowman, Al Bowman, Franklyn Moreno, Lisa Landes-Haynes, Holly Zimmerman, Larry Hincker, Phil Araman, Tom Ryan, Philo Hall, Fred Meyers

District Conference Committee: Chair –

Paula Alston, Leslie Jester, Eric Johnsen

Vocational Service Committee: Chair – Tommy Loflin

Peter Andreson, Ben Snodgrass, Stan Perkins, Sandy Grant, Phil Araman, Lisa Landes-Haynes, Todd Murray, Mary Biggs, Stephanie Kirkner, Chris Turman

Local Service – the Third Avenue of Service (Director: Jim McAlister)

Community Service Committee: Chair – John Sutphin

Candi Kelly, Paul Murphy, Bernie Bragen, Michelle Brauns, Tiffany Couch, Bill Flattery, Eric Johnsen, Tommy McDearis, Marc Verniel, Brian Wheeler

Environmental Committee: Chair – Michael Abraham

Walter Pirie, Eric Fitchett, Phil Araman, Jeanne Jeffers, Bill Flattery, Jim Halferty, Jamie McReynolds, Marc Verniel

Local Foundation Committee: Chair – Emily Gibson

David Reemsnyder, Jim McAlister, John Brown, John Skelton, Marilyn Bowman, Al Bowman, Philo Hall, Chris French, Jeff Mitchell, Peter Weimerskirch

Yard Sale Committee: Chair – Chris Belluzzo

Ben Snodgrass, Jennifer Sowers, Bruce Roulstone, Terri Lynn Howard, Page Warner, Steve Cole, Jeff Hammel, Mary Biggs, Ben Jackson

Golf Committee: Chair – Paul Murphy

Doug Winstead, Franklyn Moreno, Michael Snyder, Larry Ball, Eric Fitchett, Jason Bye, Terri Lynn Howard, Page Warner, Tommy McDearis, Matt Shortt, Hank Johnson

International Service – the Fourth Avenue of Service (Director: John Sutphin)

Rotary International Foundation Committee: Chair – Mike Jones

David Reemsnyder, Larry Hincker, Lauren Dudley, Chris Turman

World Community Service: Chair - Christy Brown & Jeff Hammel

Walter Pirie, Karim Khan, Lauren Dudley, Jim Halferty, Jamie McReynolds, Matt Shortt, Brian Wheeler

New Generations Service – the Fifth Avenue of Service (Director: Judy Ridinger)

Interact Committee: Chair – Leslie Jester

Paul Murphy, Bernie Bragen

Youth Exchange Committee: Chair –

Christy Brown, Judy Ridinger, Bernie Bragen, Michelle Brauns, Peter Weimerskirch, Mike Hudson

Youth Achievement Committee: Chair – Gunin Kiran

Tommy Loflin, Peter Anderson, Stan Perkins, Phil Araman, Mike Hudson, Alec Siegel, Todd Murray, Judy Ridinger, Stephanie Kirkner, Michelle Brauns

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*For more information;
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If you are interested in more information on becoming a Primary Sponsor for the Rotary Club of Blacksburg, please contact Leslie Jester!