



STAFFORD ROTARY HIGHLIGHTER

Youth Service Month

CLUB SCHEDULE

*** All meetings will be digital until further notice due to COVID-19***

MAY 14 - District 7610
Weekly Lunch and Learn w/
District Governor Jonathan
Lucas

MAY 20 - Sheriff David
Decatur, Stafford County
Virginia

May 20th - Stafford Rotary Welcomes Sheriff Decatur

Sheriff David P. Decatur started his law enforcement career in 1986 with the Stafford County Sheriff's Office, after serving as an Airborne Paratrooper in the United States Army. He served two years as a Deputy Sheriff/Deputy Sheriff Sergeant assigned to Jail Operations, then advancing to a Patrol Deputy assigned to Field Operations.



Sheriff Decatur has served in numerous positions in the Sheriff's Office to include First Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain prior to being elevated to the position of Major (Chief Deputy) in 2000. He was also a SWAT Commander and Instructor. Sheriff Decatur was elected Sheriff on November 3, 2015 and took office

Throughout his career at the Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Decatur created and now instructs an Active Shooter Countermeasures Training program which provides training to all Stafford County School employees, Stafford County Government employees and community members and businesses. Early in his career he created the Field Training Officer program which later became a model used by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. He is a Certified School SHIELD Security Assessor, a Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor and Tactical Operations Instructor and has instructed in other areas such as community policing and leadership.

He is also a graduate of the DEA's Drug Unit Commanders Academy, FBI National Academy and the Virginia Commonwealth University's Public Safety Institute and attended the Leading, Educating and Developing (LEAD) program at the University of Virginia designed for high performance government organizations. Sheriff Decatur is a member of the Virginia Sheriff's Association and the Virginia FBI National Academy Association. He has also served for the past three years as the Regional Director for the Virginia Special Olympics Torch Run and currently serves on the Board of Directors for Stafford Junction.



Recording Speakers

Moving forward, we're going to attempt to record each of our weekly meetings. They will be posted to the Stafford Rotary Club's new YouTube channel. These videos are "unlisted" which means only those with the direct link will be able to access it. These recordings are intended for the club, so please be mindful before sharing.

Our meeting with Virginia State Delegate Joshua Cole is online now at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tZ3oMzR82oY>

If you're viewing this newsletter on your computer, the above link is clickable. Or you can type it directly into your browser.

Quick Notes - Keep mindful of the dates associated with some of these items!

Aquia District - Boy Scouts of America

The local food banks that are supported via the annual Scouting for Food drive in November are quickly becoming depleted. This **No Contact Food Drive** is being conducted **Saturday, May 16 from 10 – 3.** Please help spread the word!

For questions, please contact: Laura Lee aquiadistrictscoutingforfood@yahoo.com

Vocational Donation to the Stafford County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Decatur will be visiting with us on Wed, May 20th to share information on policing in the current environment. For club members who would like to make a donation to the Sheriff's Office, please let me or Michael know by MONDAY, May 18th, and send a check to the STAFFORD ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION with **STAFFORD CO SHERIFF** in the memo line. You will receive a tax receipt for your donation, and the club will send the funds to the Sheriff's Office. To read about Stafford Co Sheriff's office activities and COVID information, go to <https://staffordsheriff.com/>

Stafford Rotary Foundation - Matching Club Member Donations

As discussed in previous meetings, our club will make a donation to S.E.R.V.E. and Stafford Junction to support struggling families. Our SRCFoundation will MATCH whatever our club members would like to donate.

BY TUESDAY, May 19h, we need to :

- send our personal checks to Michael Smith, made out to THE STAFFORD ROTARY CLUB FOUNDATION, note in the memo line **FUNDS FOR FOOD** and mail it to Stafford Rotary Club, P. O. Box 5575 Fredericksburg, VA 22403, OR
- CALL Michael, (540-841-8946) to say your check is on its way, and the amount is \$xxx.

The aggregate club member donation will be matched dollar-for-dollar by our Foundation and sent to these two non-profit partners. You will receive a tax letter for your personal donation.

Club Member and Club Member Employees

Please remember that our Board has approved grocery store gift cards for club members and Club Member Small Business employees as needed. Simply reach out to a Board Member (Leigh Ann, Linda, Stew, Michael or Trevor)

Travel Help

The ins and outs of the travel world are changing on a daily basis thanks to COVID-19. If you have travel plans and you're not sure what action to take, how to get a refund, or just want to run your plans by someone in the know please reach out to Dylan Oakes at dylanoakes1@gmail.com or 617-529-4774. He's offered to help any club members who need it.