



RCGF: Week of April 15, 2024 Announcements

**Big Thank You to Steve Flannery, Chair & Everyone who supported
The Bocce Tournament - Fall (rained out) and Spring
\$7,000 was raised for Veterans Moving Forward!
We all had fun for a great cause.**

Birthdays



Michael Broyles
May 10th

Club Leaders



Connie Jacob
Sawtell
President



June Melloni
Kelly
President-Elect
Service Projects
Chair



Steve Flannery
Club Admin
Chair
Vice President



Teresa A
Rutledge
Treasurer



Raf Traboulsi
Secretary



Elizabeth
Bouchard
Membership
Chair
Club Director



Stephen A. Clark
Past President
Club Director



Daniel Cardenas
Sergeant-at-
Arms



Dan Lundeen
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Neddal Abu-Taa
Club Programs
Chair

The Lift Me Up Derby Submit your horse/s names! May 19th (Derby Month)

We are selling horses for this year's derby to **help fund the children's therapeutic programs** at the Lift Me Up Therapeutic Horse Riding Center on Georgetown Pike, right here in Great Falls!

This is a fun event at the Lift Me Up location on May 19th between 4-6 pm.

**How can you help make this unique fundraiser a success?
(RCGF plans to raise over \$10,000!)**

1.) Be a financial sponsor (or find sponsors):

Levels:

- * Titan = \$1,000
- * Jewel = \$500
- * Shimmy = \$250

2.) Buy and name your horse(s) for the derby races. \$100/horse, multiple horses can be purchased for multiple races.

3.) Attend the event or volunteer to help.

There are prizes for winning horses, and you do not need to be present to win.

You may donate through our website (choose Lift Me Up Derby and put your horse(s) name(s) or just type sponsor in the note field).

<https://rotarygreatfallsva.org>

Checks are also accepted and can be sent to our Foundation address:

Rotary Club of Great Falls VA Foundation
917 Winstead St
Great Falls, VA 22066
Att: Dan Lundeen

RSVP if you are going attend on May 19!

RSVP

Who's Talking at the meetings?

- Check them Out
- Put them on your calendar
- Invite a Friend or two
- RSVP!
- **(want to make sure there is enough food, drink and chairs)**



Rod Murchison
Webmaster



Michael Broyles
Public Relations
Chair
iPast President



Natasha Sodhi
Club Youth
Protection
Officer
Interact Club
Sponsor



Anil Bhatia
International
Service Chair

Speakers' Bios & Topics

**Here is the list of speakers -
Doug Hengel**

**Tentative Supervisor Jimmy Bierman, A. Scott Wood,
James Wallen, Sharon Wasserman and Steve Flannery**

RSVP Now to reserve your seat!

This Week & beyond

**April 18 from 6 - 8 PM Third Thirsty Thursday (TTT)
at The Turner Farm**

10609 Georgetown Pike, *Great Falls*

Please come out, have a tour of the farm & improvements and have a great
fellowship.

Please RSVP Yes or No.

RSVP

**April 25, 2024 from 7:30 to 8:30 AM at River Bend Golf & County
Club**

Speaker: IGNITE - DACdb Team -

**Topic: Set Your Rotary World on Fire-Learn what you can do with
this app to more easily engage with Rotary.**

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3948180500?pwd=
dmNNS08zV00ycms3cWlmOFhqUkJadz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3948180500?pwd=dmNNS08zV00ycms3cWlmOFhqUkJadz09)

Meeting ID: 394 818 0500

Passcode: Czd1TN

May 2, 2024 from 6:00-8:00 PM at The Grange - Main Building

**Speaker: Doug Hengel, Retired Sr. U.S. Diplomat; Energy
Consultant**

Topic: Energy and National Security - A Global Perspective

This meeting is being catered by Classic Wines of Great Falls.

RSVP - Yes or NO - Invite a Friend or TWO!

Join Zoom Meeting

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dmNNS08zV00ycms3cWlmOFhqUkJadz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3948180500?pwd=dmNNS08zV00ycms3cWlmOFhqUkJadz09)

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**May 9 , 2024 from 7:30 to 8:30 AM at River Bend Golf & County
Club**

**Speaker: Tentative: Supervisor Jimmy Bierman, Fairfax County
Board of Supervisors**

Topic:

Join Zoom Meeting

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Cornerstones' Embry Shelter -

**Volunteering - Serving Meals Needed - 4 Volunteers
2nd Wednesday of the Month**

Next Date - May 8 from 4:30 to 6 PM Need 3 more volunteers

**Future dates - May 8 and June 12
Questions Contact Bob Dinkel bob.dinkel@gmail.com**

Sign Up for May 8, 2024

RSVP

**April 27, 2024 - 8:30 to 3 PM District 7610 Leadership Training
Assembly**

Laurel Ridge Community College
Addr: 6480 College St. Warrenton, VA 20186 in Hazel Hall (new building on
the right side of the parking lot) is registered on the District 7610 Website's
Calendar or below:

Sign Up

April 27 Fairfax County Drug Take Back Day
[Here](#) is a link to the different locations to drop unused drugs.

Fairfax Prevention Coalitions might need volunteers that day.
Questions - June Kelly Junemellonkelly@gmail.com

Volunteers are needed for Georgetown Pike Beautification!

Our next opportunity to beautify is now scheduled for **Sunday (4/28/24)**
@ 8:00am (we meet in front of Broadway Gallery and BRX).
We need a crew of 4-8 abled-bodied members to help beautify (pick up
trash on) our stretch of Georgetown Pike (Seneca to Springvale). We supply
nice orange vests, pickers and bags.
Please RSVP to Dan Lundeen dan.lundeen2@gmail.com

RSVP "Yes" or "No"

Last Word from Connie

**Save the Date - June 20, 2024,
6 until 9 PM
End of Year and
Officers' Installation Celebration!
The Main Grange Building**

**Yes or NO
RSVP**

Do you know anyone?
Great Falls Citizen of the Year

A non-Rotarian individual (as opposed to pairs or groups) from Great Falls who exemplifies "Serve Above Self". This individual will have contributed significantly to improving the quality of life in their community, whether local, state or national basis or the world.
The nominee must be someone with whom the Rotary Club has engaged in community service work together or with whom the club has had some other firsthand experience. Furthermore, the nominee should include broad support for this individual beyond Rotary.
Let me know, so we can talk about the next step.

Donations Needed - Books

The Friends of Great Falls Library. They are short donations for the

Book Sale - April 26 & April 27

Please drop off at the Library!

Volunteer at the book Sale:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA9AB2BA4F5C61-48898229-book#/>

***(important to RCGF because there is something in the works
But not official yet!)***

[Read More](#)

Rotary Events

Please check out the calender in case something is missed

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see announcements Contact Dan Lundeen

Embry Rucker Shelter Meals Volunteer

May 8 and June 12

See announcements

[Read More](#)

Upcoming Community Events:

Thursday, January 4, 2024

- **April 26 & 27, Friends of Great Falls Library Book Sale**

They need donations of books and volunteers will be needed to work the sale.

Volunateer - Sign Up

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- **May 12, Amadeus - Strings 4 PM**

St. Francis Episcopal Church, 9220 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA -
<https://amadeusconcerts.com/concerts-events/tickets/>

- **May 18, May 22 and May 24 The Arts of Great Falls School & Gallery -**

More info <https://www.artsofgreatfalls.org/art-events>

- **May 18, 2024 Great Falls Grange Foundation Fundraiser Event**

9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA -

Theme: " All the Jazz "

Date: Saturday, May 18

Time : 6:00 PM- 10:00 PM

Place: The Great Falls Grange

Tickets : \$150.00 each

Sponsorship Levels: The Great Gatsby, The Flapper, The Charleston, The Speak Easy #738

A evening of Dinner, dancing and amazing auction items. During the Gala we will have the following fundraising options:

- Silent Auction
- 50/50 Raffle
- Live Auction
- Raise the Paddle

The Gala committee has been meeting and is working hard , but we still need help from the board to make this happen. This is our major fundraising event and we hope that we can count on each of you to participate/help in the following ways:

- Promote this event to each of your groups /friends /family / business associates
- Sell Tickets to the event
- Secure an item for either the silent or live auction
- Donate a gift card from a local Great Falls Restaurant
- Start planning your attire - we are stepping back to the Roaring Twenties !

- **June 1 - Cornerstones Herndon After School Program Family Day - need 8-10 volunteers**

First set of volunteers will start at Herndon Resource Center and then the event and other volunteers will be at Herndon Community Center. More information and questions - contact Connie Sawtell -
ConniePurple1@gmail.com

- **June 4, Amedues - Special Event End Gala Garden Party 4 PM**

<https://amadeusconcerts.com/concerts-events/tickets/>

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