



## Tonight's Program

### James H. Hershman Jr, Ph.D. - Virginia's Period of Massive Resistance



James H. Hershman Jr. (UVA, Ph.D. '78) is a former Senior Fellow at Georgetown University Government Affairs Institute, Emeritus Faculty, and Graduate Liberal Studies, Georgetown University. His writings on Virginia's massive resistance period have appeared in numerous publications, including

the online edition of the Encyclopedia Virginia.

His talk will be about Virginia's long pattern of resistance to school desegregation, which entailed three phases: an evasive strategy, a defiant one, and a return to evasion.

In the early 1950s, as the prospect loomed that federal courts might order desegregation, Virginia's white leaders contemplated the retreat of white children into publicly subsidized "private" schools. When, in fact, the Supreme Court rendered the Brown decision in 1954, Virginia's racial demographics varied widely: 34 counties were less than 10% Black; 17 counties were majority Black; and the remaining 60% of localities fell between the two poles (Loudoun was a little over 18% Black).

The initial plan formulated in 1955, the Gray Plan, took these factors into account and offered a flexible approach that relied on local assignment of pupils, using ostensibly non-racial criteria, to limit desegregation in public schools and tuition grants for students attending private, segregated schools.

### Rotary International 4-Way Test

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**



**Week in Review**  
**It was a Very Merry Christmas Party**



A special thanks to Bruce and Rachel Roberts for opening their home and hosting the party.

On Friday, December 28th. Ron Rogos, Brian Treat, Reggie Baker's son Elliot, John Kimball and Mike Heath from Boulder Crest delivered dinner meals from Tusokies to the four families staying in the cabins. They were so appreciative of not only the meals, but the entire Boulder Crest experience.



Celebrating Christmas with Jake Jacobson

### [Volunteers Needed](#)

The Rust Library book donation/sale begins Friday, January 5, and continues until Friday, January 19. Please let Dough MacLean what day or days and hours you can volunteer.

### Upcoming Speakers

Date	Speaker	Topic
Jan. 4	James Hershman	Author, Massive Resistance
Jan. 11	Chuck Reavis	FAA History in Leesburg
Jan. 18	Club Assembly	No Speaker
Jan. 25	Laura Christiansen	Pictures of the Past

### Rotarian of the Week

Jan 4	Wiley Russell	Jan 25	Maryse Wyser-Pratte
Jan 11	Buddy Sadak	Feb 1	Tom Edmonds
Jan 18	Lynde Scheiffer		

### Upcoming Events

Jan 18	Club Assembly
Jan 13	Boulder Crest
Jan 5-19	Rust Library Book Sale
Feb 8	Valentine's Day Dinner

## Officers & Directors 2023-2024

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Perry Winston Scholarship Fund • Youth Exchange • Croquet •  
Grace to Go • Hunt Party • Road Clean-Up Interact Club • Wreaths Across  
America • Loudoun Hunger Relief • Boulder Crest Foundation • George C.  
Marshall International Center

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