



Tonight's Program

Laura Christiansen, Curator Balch Library Pictures from Leesburg's Past



Laura Christiansen is the Curator of Manuscripts and Archives at the Thomas Balch Library in Leesburg, VA. She oversees collections management, processing, access, and outreach for manuscripts, archives, artifacts, and audio-visual collections, as well as for the records of the Town of Leesburg. Laura holds a B.A. in History and Art History from Berry College, an M.A. in Public History, and an M.L.I. S. from the University of South Carolina. She has previously served as Dickson

Librarian at the Chrysler Museum of Art and as Director of the Clarke County Historical Association. A central goal throughout Laura's career in archives, libraries, and museums has been to unite people and collections through access, long-term preservation, and collaboration to achieve shared goals.

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?



Week in Review

Club Assembly



Members of the club came together to discuss the state of our club and future goals. Club treasurer Matt Burns provided a report from 2017 to the present showing income and overhead. It was pointed out that River Creek requires a minimum of 33 meals per meeting. Currently, members are charged less than the actual cost leaving a deficit.

Judge Horne gave an overview of the Perry Winston Scholarship Fund. The fund was started in 2004 with a gift of \$100,000. It is up to \$600,000, supported by individual donations and our annual fundraiser. The amount and number of scholarships to be awarded in the future was discussed.

Phil Rusciollelli reviewed Rotary's rules for child protection as required by our charter.

Goal Highlights:

Expand 100 th Anniversary committee to ensure an impactful event.	Strengthen relationships with local charities to increase service opportunities.
Increase Foundation support through community fundraising projects.	Achieve RI and Foundation goals. Foundation: \$2,500 Polio Plus: \$15,000
Increase community awareness of the Club's impact in Leesburg and beyond to increase member and donor pool.	Member Engagement High-level programs More fellowship events Membership flexibility
Define and execute at least one international service project.	Build a solid financial foundation for the club.
Develop inclusive service projects to involve more members.	Recognize prominent members of the community with PHF.

Club News

- Flying Ace Farm distillery in Lovettsville for a bourbon tasting and Monk's barbeque on February 29, the fifth Thursday of the month.
- Executive Exchange: In June, our club will host six Hungarian legal professionals for one week. During that time, they will have an opportunity to learn about our legal system. Six host families are needed. Contact Phil Rusciolelli.
- Our Sergeant of Arms Wade Fatt has resigned for personal reasons. We thank him for his service. Tom Solitario will take over that position.

Remembering When January 2023



DG Sheila Brennan brought Paul Harris as a guest.



We welcomed back Fred Williams.

Volunteers Needed

Loudoun Hunger Relief Dates

Volunteers Needed. Contact Doug MacLean to reserve. FEB 3, MAR 2, APR 6, MAY 4, JUN 1

Grace-to-Go: We need volunteers to prepare meals in Purcellville. Sunday, April 14, July 14, and September 8. Contact Buddy Sadak

Boulder Crest Dates for 2024 Contact Reggie Baker

Feb. 3, March 9, April 27, May 11, June 8, July 27 teen retreat
August 31, September 28, Oct. 19, Nov. 16

Upcoming Speakers

Date	Speaker	Topic
Feb. 1	Kristen Bennett	Expansion of the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure.
Feb. 8	Valentines Party	No Speaker
Feb. 15	Victims of Communism	New Museum in DC

Rotarian of the Week

Jan 25	Maryse Wyser-Pratte	Feb. 15	
Feb 1	Tom Edmonds		

Upcoming Events

Feb 8	Valentine's Day Dinner
Feb 3	Loudoun Hunger Relief Food Sorting
Feb. 29	Flying Aces Bourbon Tasting Social

Officers & Directors 2023-2024

President: Monika Irchenhauser	Sgt at Arms: Tom Solitario
President-Elect: John Whisler	Director: William Blessing
Past President: Stephen Chapin	Director: John Kimball
Secretary: Dariusz Swietlik	Director: Tom Horne
Treasurer: Matt Burns	Director: Pamela Banks

Committee Chairs 2023-2024

Membership: Pam Banks	Fellowship: Buddy Sadak
Programs: Tom Edmonds	Public Image: John Kimball
RI Foundation: Bill Blessing	Community Service: Doug Maclean
Youth: Valérie Beaudoin	100th Anniversary: Phil Rusciolelli

Supported Events and Charities

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

Rotary Club of Leesburg Honorary Members

Stanley Caulkins	Ilhami Konur	Jack Howard
Perry Winston	General George Marshall	