



# FLYWHEEL

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## Read2Me

By John Hubsch



Karen Kenney introduced Diane Cotton and Carol Waldroop from Read2Me, a non-profit organization that has existed for 4 years. Cotton is the Principal at Union Academy and Waldroop is a retired educator. Read2Me is a literacy program whose mission is to put books in the hands of children under the age of 5. These books can be read to the children by their parents and each child in the program receives one book per month.

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library is the primary resource for these reading materials and anyone can become a sponsor for one child by donating \$30.00 per year. There are currently 931 children in Macon County served by Read2Me and last year 480 children graduated when they turned age 5. Additionally, over 800 books were distributed to young children at community events last year.



Brittney Raby, journalist for Macon County News, also spoke on behalf of Read2Me. She discussed the upcoming Read2Me essay contest for older children, the winner of which will be announced next week. Raby also spoke about the Story Walk program whereby posts are set up along a walkway with a page from a story on each post. Children and their parents walk from post to post reading the story until they have finished. There are two of these scheduled in the near future, along the Greenway and another one at Parker Meadows.

Read2Me sponsors many other events, including one this Saturday at the Factory, where they will demonstrate the proper way to install carseats. Other upcoming events are a Spring Cleaning fundraiser in May, a car show fundraiser in June and booths at the Folk Festival and Pumpkin Festival. Volunteers and donations to this great program are always welcome.





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## We Are a Club!

On Thursday April 7th proposed members of the new Satellite Rotary Club of Franklin were inducted at Life's Bounty events room. Let us welcome Doug Houston, Ashley Vinson, Guy and Alicia Gooder, Morgan Murray and Judi St.



Arnauld as they do good in the world!

## April is Child and Maternal Health Month

At least 7 million children under the age of five die each year due to malnutrition, poor health care, and inadequate sanitation. To help reduce this rate, Rotary International provide immunizations and antibiotics to babies, improve access to essential medical services, and support trained health care providers for mothers and their children. Their projects ensure sustainability by empowering the local community to take ownership of health care training programs. Locally the Rotary Club of Franklin continues to help support the Community Care Clinic with its efforts to provide free local health care.



## Welcome ANOTHER new Member!



Here we grow again on April 6th as the RC of Franklin inducted Mike Watson, sponsored by Sam Blasingame. Welcome Mike!



## Having Fun Packing Meals!

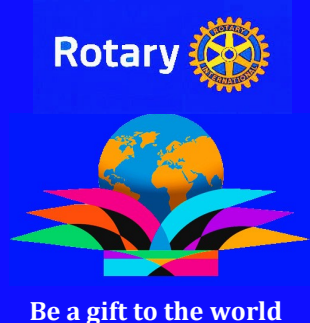
This past Saturday 10 clubs including many from the Rotary Club of Franklin packed more than



ten thousand meals to be sent to out of the country to those in need. The joint club project took place at Sylva First Methodist Church. Thanks to all who helped..great work!







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## District Conference 2016!

President Sean is encouraging everyone to attend the District Conference to be held at the Meadowview Conference and Convention Center in Kingsport, TN on June 10th thru 12th so please mark these dates on your calendar. The registration cost is \$225. The room rate is \$125 per night. Registration deadline for rooms is May 19th. Lets have a great club showing! You can register on DacDb Now!

## Greenway Cleanup Date!

Youth Service Co-Chair Larry Hollifield announced to the club on Wednesday that the Greenway Cleanup will be Saturday April 23rd at the Rotary oval behind Franklin Office. Your help is appreciated! Thanks! Great way to makeup.

## Rotary Service 4/ 13

Prayer/Pledge: Tommy Jenkins

Greeter: Bud Siler



## '16-'17 Leadership Training

If you are involved in club leadership next year, you are encouraged to attend the District Leadership Training Saturday May 21st at AB Tech Asheville. No cost. It's a great way to get ready for next year. Sign up on DacDb now!



## They're Back!!

Welcome back Wayne and Ginny Berryhill for the season from the sunshine state! We missed you!

## Five Undeniable Facts of Life:

1. Don't educate your children to be rich. Educate them to be happy so when they grow up they will know the value of things not the price.
2. Best wise words: "Eat your food as your medicines. Otherwise you have to eat medicines as your food."
3. The one who loves you will never leave you because even if there are 100 reasons to give up he or she will find one reason to hold on.
4. There is a big difference between a human being and being human. Only a few really understand it.
5. You are loved when you are born. You will be loved when you die. In between, you have to manage!

If you just want to walk fast, walk alone; but, if you want to walk far, walk together!



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## The Rotary Club of Franklin Officers and Board Members 2015-16

District Governor: Billi Black

Assistant District Governor: Ken Nicholson

President: Sean Gibson

President-elect: Lenny Jordan

President-nominee: Judy Chapman

Secretary: Patsy Parker

Treasurer: John Barbee

Vocational Service: Karen Kenney

Community Service: Cindy Rodgers

Youth Service: Amy Manshach-Chair/Larry Hollifield-Co-Chair

International Service: Stacy Guffey

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Membership Chair: Linda Harbuck

Program Chair: Vic Perry

Public Image Chair: Debbie Tallent ...Flywheel Editor: Dick Pritts

Sgt. At Arms: Jacob Reiche

Immediate Past President: Susie Ledford

*Thanks for all you do in service!*

## Upcoming Events



Apr 13— Essay Contest

Apr 14—Board Meeting

Lazy Hiker 5p/530p

Apr 20—Rotary Fellowships

## 50/50 Drawing

1 Ticket —\$1.00

3 Tickets —\$2.00

5 Tickets —\$3.00

10 Tickets—\$5.00

25 Tickets—\$10.00



### 50 50 Drawing

No winner on April 6th as John Yermack did not draw the winning card.

The \$42 rolls over to April 13th.



## Next Meeting

Wednesday April 13

Read2Me Essay

Contest..See You 12

Noon Tartan Hall

