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MAINSRING CONSERVATION TRUST

Stewards of the Southern Blue Ridge

Article by Tom Coley

Cindy Rogers introduced Jason Meador and our program about the Mainspring Conservation Trust. Jason serves as the Citizen Science Program Manager for the Trust and is responsible for engaging youth and adults in the community as to the work of Mainspring. He also serves as the Project Coordinator for stream restoration activities and the Bio-monitoring Program. Jason received his B.S. in Marine Sciences from North Carolina State University (2004). He later completed his M.S. in Forestry and Natural Resources (2008) with a concentration in fish/wildlife populations.



The newly named Mainspring Conservation Trust is the metamorphosis of the Little Tennessee Land Trust (LTLT). Its scope has expanded to include the Upper Little Tennessee and Hiawassee River Valleys with three core objectives: conserve the land, restore the water, and connect the people to these valuable resources.

Jason was particularly proud of their "Shade your Stream" initiative. Streams that have become devoid of vegetation are vulnerable to erosion and increased water temperature. This condition creates a polluted and adverse environment for species of native fish such as trout that need cooler waters to thrive. Under this initiative, students helped to

"livestake" a section of Crawford Creek. Livestaking is a process of driving sections of tree branch that are self-rooting into the ground along the riparian area of a stream. The restoration of the shoreline of Crawford Creek as it runs through Franklin Memorial Park is a highly visible success story of reclaimed stream bank.

Also Jason oversees the "Kids in the Creek" program. This is a hands on program for 8-9th grade students that gets them out of the classroom and into waders to examine the health of the stream. Students along with science teachers and Conservation Trust staff drop a type of seining net into the stream to collect, identify and study native fish and other marine life. Jason hopes that the experience might inspire a young person to pursue a career in bio - marine science or conservation. But at the very least, hopefully the experience will instill an appreciation of the streams and rivers that are so important to our quality of life in Western North Carolina. For more information about the Mainspring Conservation Trust, visit their website www.conservationtrust.org





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Rotary Students of the Month March and April 2016

Gary Shields first introduced the March student of the month Jordon Bryson was selected based on his involvement and action during the interact Club's book drive in February. His enthusiasm and initiative were above and beyond. Jordan is a senior at Franklin High School. During his time at FHS he has proven to be a motivated young man who aims to please in completing any task assigned. He works hard and looks beyond given instructions in an effort to be thorough. Jordon consistently looks for opportunities to assist and aid those around him and he is willing to do this even when it is not rewarding to him.



The April student of the month is Michael Ensley, a junior at FHS. Michael epitomizes what it means to be a gentleman. When he witnesses someone in need of help, he freely offers it. When he sees a student eating alone, he invites the student to join his group. Michael also stands up for what is right even when it is not popular to do so. Academically, Michael has a thirst for learning. When he learns a new concept, he synthesizes it into his knowledge base; thus, he will be a life-long learner. Michael is also actively involved in the school community as is evidenced by his participation in FBLA, the French Quiz Bowl, and cross country. A young man of honesty and integrity, Michael is admired and respected by his peers and his teachers.

Cleaning Up the Greenway

Great turnout this past Saturday as a group of 25 Rotarians, FHS Interact, Rotakids and Troop 202 Scouts cleaned up the Rotary Park at the Greenway.

Special thanks to Youth Co-Chair

Larry Hollifield, DGE Dills, Ryan Finn and Tom James. Afterword, the group was treated to a lunch at Big Bear Shelter. Great work!





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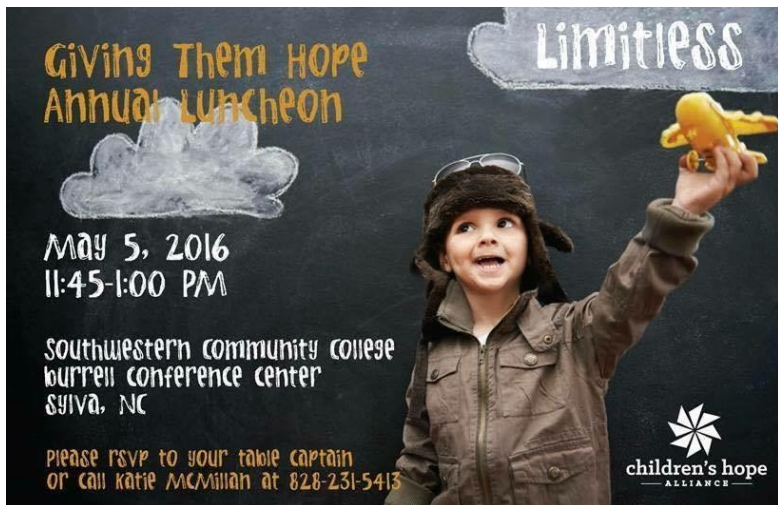
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If you are interested in attending please RSVP Tom Coley or Katie McMillan by next Tuesday. Tom's number is: 828-308-5684.

Gold Stars for Great Work!

President Sean awarded three Gold Stars this week to members who have unselfishly volunteered their time for the club. The first was to John Yermack, who along with Summer Woodward, was instrumental in getting the satellite club up and going. Larry



Hollifield was awarded a Gold Star for heading up last Saturday's Greenway Clean-up. Sean awarded PP Nancie Wilson a Gold Star for her

dedicated work on the Carpenter Scholarship selections. Thanks for all you do!



Business Integrity Award

Premiere Marketing, located at 261 East Palmer Street in Franklin has been named as the recipient of the Rotary Club of Franklin 2016 Business Integrity Award. The award was presented by Karen Kenney, Vocational Service Chair. Premiere was nominated by Shaina Adkins.

D'Anne Maddox, Director of Marketing for Premiere, has been with the company since 2004. Also attending was Joel McCoy, lead designer. Premiere



Marketing provides advertising for businesses in Franklin and beyond, specializing in print media, direct mail, billboards, TV, and social media.

The Rotary Club of Franklin presented the award this year to Premiere Marketing for its adherence to the business standards practiced by Rotarians. Rotarians measure a successful business by applying the rules of the 4-way Test for Rotarians:

By holding to a high standard of professionalism in its business practices, in local and national advertising campaigns, and by demonstrating a commitment to the local community, Premiere Marketing leads the way in business ethics and integrity. This organization demonstrates a very high standard of ethical business practices, integrity, and civic and social responsibility. The Rotary Club of Franklin is proud to recognize Premiere Marketing with this year's Business Integrity Award.



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Vocational Moments



Karen Kenney, Vocational Service chair, introduced the three individuals that gave a brief look into their vocation. First up was Marvin Ramsey, the Business Community Liaison / Work Base Learning Coordinator at the Lyndon B. Johnson Job Corps Center. One of his roles is to develop and plan opportunities that enhance relationships with community stake holders and planning and organizing activities for special center events. Marvin indicated there are some very talented students at Lyndon B Johnson Job Corps and introduced Mikes Beard., a talented singer and song writer. Miles sang and arousing rendition of the Star Spangled Banner which was thoroughly enjoyed by the members.

Marvin indicated that Miles will be attending the Advanced Culinary Arts Institute at Treasure Island in San Francisco.



Next to speak was Bill Short, owner of Franklin Glass, the company that he purchased from his father-in-law a few years ago. Bill grew up in Franklin and is a graduate of FHS. They mowed away from Franklin for several years but decided to come back to Franklin and take over the Franklin Glass business. Bill said that when he first took over the business they were doing a lot of commercial projects all over WNC and that was taking a toll on his family life. Bill redirected the business and now does a mixture of residential, commercial and specialty glass installation including a system of adding images to the back of glass that is used for kitchen backsplashes.

Cindy Rodgers then spoke about coming to Franklin a little over three years ago and taking over one of the State Farm agencies. Cindy outlined the magnitude of State Farm's insurance range and that nationally they work daily on the number of claims equal to the population of Chicago. She indicated that she enjoyed her work because her company has such an array of insurance products that help people recover from the unexpected. That is especially true of the limited pay life policy which insures a persons insurability.



If You Are a Club Leader for 2016-17 Please Plan to Attend

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. Three leaders can car pool with President Sean. Car pooling encouraged. Sign up on DacDb now!



Satellite Social

Members of the Satellite Rotary Club of Franklin met for a social gathering at the Rathskeller on Thursday evening. Some of the members brought friends to learn more about what the



club does. If you know someone interested, the club meets Thursday Nights at Life's Bounty. You can also have them get in touch with John Yermack.



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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! So far we have a few RC of Franklin members attending.



May Backpacks

Our next CareNet Backpack fill is on Monday May 23rd 4-6p at CareNet. If you need a makeup this is a great way to do it!

Membership Minute

This is the second official posting of Ben Laseter sponsored by Sean Gibson. If you have any comments or concerns, please contact President Sean or any board member.

Rotary Service 5/ 4

Prayer/Pledge: Hoyt Massey

Greeter: Patrick Betancourt



More Definitions of "OLD"

- An elderly woman decided to prepare her will and told her preacher she had two final requests.

First, she wanted to be cremated, and second, she wanted her ashes scattered over Wal-Mart.

"Wal-Mart?" the preacher exclaimed.

"Why Wal-Mart?"

"Then I'll be sure my daughters visit me twice a week"

- My memory's not as sharp as it used to be. Also, my memory's not as sharp as it used to be.
- Know how to prevent sagging? Just eat till the wrinkles fill out.
- It's scary when you start making the same noises as your coffee maker.
- These days about half the stuff in my shopping cart says, 'For fast relief.'
- THE SENILITY PRAYER :

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.



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

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President: Sean Gibson

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Community Service: Cindy Rodgers

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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



May 4th—Franklin Literacy

May 11th—Safe Kids

May 12th—Board Meeting Lazy Hiker

May 18th—NOAA

May 23rd—Pack Back Backs at CareNet

May 25th—Top 5 of Franklin High School

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 27th as St Arnaud did not draw the winning card. The \$108 rolls over to May 4th with 10 cards left.

Next Meeting Wed.

May 4th Franklin

Literacy...See You
12 Noon Tartan
Hall

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