



FLYWHEEL

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Franklin Literacy

By John Hubsch

Elbie Stiles introduced three speakers on behalf of the Literacy Council of Highlands (LCH), which is a non-profit organization whose goal is to improve children's literacy. The first speaker was past 7670 AG Jodie Cook, who is a Board Member of LCH and a member of the Highlands Rotary Club. LCH started about 20 years ago with the help of Rotary. Cook pointed out that Rotary sponsors many educational and literacy programs locally, such as Academic Scholarships, Read2Me and the 4WayTest. He talked about the Franklin Remediation Program (FRP), which is a LCH program whereby volunteers assist students in grades 1 thru 4 in the classroom.



The next speaker was Tonya Hensley, Executive Director of LCH. She explained that LCH distributed 12,395 books last year and there were 1,234 student participants. She presented information on all of the LCH programs, to include GED, ESL(English as a Second Language), After School Enrichment, which helps students with homework and how to use a laptop, Read, Write and Create and Science Explorers. These programs involve students of all ages. LCH also provides Individual Tutoring to both children and adults and now has 28 children participating. Other LCH events are the annual Highlands Olde Mountain Christmas Parade, Dr. Seuss Day and Read Across America. LCH focuses on two Franklin programs, the FRP and the Dolly Parton Imagination Library (DPIL). DPIL serves children from birth to age 5.



The last speaker was Carol Waldroop, a retired schoolteacher and LCH Program Coordinator. She noted that her first action was to contact retired schoolteachers in the area who might be willing to volunteer. She currently has between 14 and 29 volunteers each month and last month they performed 92 hours of assistance. They are primarily working now with three local elementary schools. Waldroop emphasized the importance of volunteers in this effort and she added that all of her volunteers have told her how rewarding they find this experience. Their goal is to help the lower-performing students get to the point where they are at their grade level. LCH has been tracking how much their students have been improving over the course of a school year and the results have been tremendous. Congratulations to this great organization!





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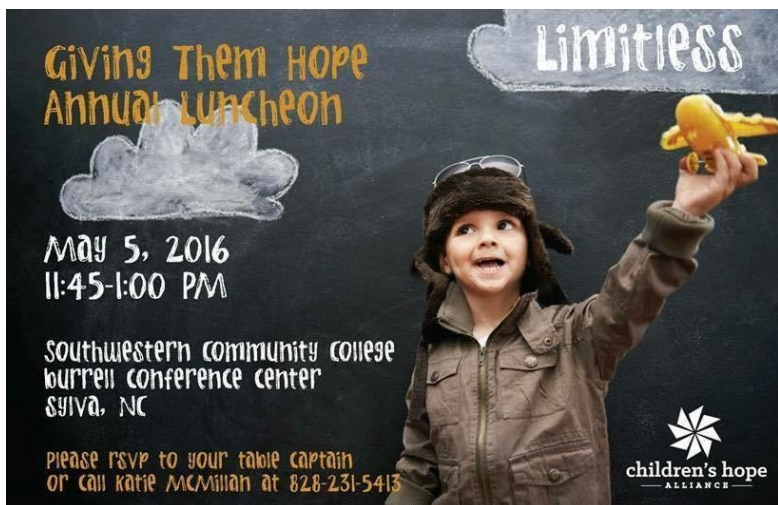
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Reminder for those who RSVP'd for this program...its Thursday 5/5!

More Gold Stars!

President Sean handed out more Gold Stars today to recognize those members who have been unselfish in their service

to the club this year. First Gold Star went to Sandy Frazier for his work on Project Panama. Next Gold Star went to Vic Perry for his diligence in getting very interesting programs for the year. Sean then presented Gold Stars to Debbie Tallent for her dedication to getting PR for projects the club under took this year as well as her keeping our web page and Facebook page current. Dick received his Gold Star for his work in getting the Flywheel out each week in a timely manner to the members.



Board Meeting next Thursday!

The May board meeting will be on May 12th at the Lazy Hiker. Social at 5 PM and meeting at 5:30 PM. All members are invited to attend. Great place to do a make-up!

Satellite Club

The next regular meet of the satellite club will be on Thursday evening at Life's Bounty at 6 PM. If you know someone interested, bring them to the meeting. You can also have them get in touch with John Yermack. This is another great place to do a makeup!

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

If you are involved in club leadership next year (President, PE, membership, foundation, youth and a new member) 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!

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Saturday

June 18

10 am to

2 pm



Location:

**South Macon
Elementary
School**

**855 Addington
Bridge Road**

Read and Ride Car Show June 18

**\$20 registration Benefits Macon Children--Dolly Parton
Imagination Library**

**All Cars,
Trucks, and
Motorcycles
Welcome**



Trophies

Food

Fun



Drawings

Raffles

Music

Call Carol at 828-342-2448 for more information



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District Conference 2016 next Month!

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.



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Membership Minute

This is the first official posting of Barbara Lawrence for membership. If you have any comments or concerns, please contact President Sean or any board member.

Rotary Service 5/ 7

Prayer/Pledge: Robbie Mc Coy

Greeter: Everett Stiles



Some "Henny Youngmans" For Today....

- If I had a dollar for every girl that found me unattractive, they'd eventually find me attractive.
- I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom, until they're flashing behind you.
- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.
- I changed my password to "incorrect" so whenever I forget it the computer will say, "Your password is incorrect."
- Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.
- I'm great at multi-tasking— I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.

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!



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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



May 11th—Safe Kids

May 12th—Board Meeting Lazy Hiker

May 18th—NOAA

May 23rd—Pack Back Backs at CareNet

May 25th—Top 5 Franklin High School Fresh, Soph, Juniors

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 May 4th as John Short drawing for Tom Coley did not draw the winning card. The

\$128 rolls over to May 11th with 9 cards left.

Next Meeting Wed.

May 11th Safe

Kids....See You 12

Noon Tartan Hall

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