



Rotary Club of Franklin, North Carolina

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## Rotary Youth Exchange

Incoming district Governor Gary Bray introduced Sarah Dancy Blackburn as the club's Rotary Youth Exchange student. Sarah will be spending a school year in France. Sarah's Mother Mary was present and Gary recognized her for her diligence and professionalism in obtaining a local Rotary Club that would sponsor Sarah in her quest to become the District's Youth Exchange student. Sarah is from Cashiers and attends school in Rabun Gap, Ga. The local Georgia club would not sponsor her because she was NC resident and her request for the Highlands club to be her sponsor that could not because she attends school in Georgia. Our club stepped up and successfully sponsored her.



Sarah will be attending a high school in Macon, France for the next school year. Sarah's first host family resides on a vineyard about 45 minutes from the high school so she will travel by train to school from the host family's location for the first two months. Sarah will then move to a second host family who live about five minutes away from the school.

Macon is located in central France and has a about 35,000 residents. She said that there about 22 clubs in the Macon area and that she is looking forward to being able to explore the surrounding French countryside as well as participating in some new sports activities like crew. Sarah indicated that she has been studying French for a couple of years and is determined to become more fluent in the French language. She does not believe there will be any other American students attending the same high school but indicated that one of her close friends will be a student in a town about an hour away from Macon. She hopes to visit her friend often.

Sarah does not yet know what she wants to study when she goes to college at this time. She is looking forward to being on her own and learning how to handle situations she as not previously been exposed to. She indicated that she will be leaving to go to France in late August and will return the following June. She will land in Paris and get a chance to see that city before taking the train for the three hour trip to the Macon area.

We will look forward to Sarah's report to the club when she returns in the summer of 2015.



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## New Honorary Member



Incoming district governor Gary Bray explained that today's meeting exemplifies what we do for young people and the "Greatest Generation." Gary stated that he first met Ash Rothlein in 2011 Honor Air Flight in which North Carolina clubs sponsored World War II veterans to a trip to Washington, DC to see the National D-Day Memorial. Gary said that he Ash then became friends and partners in a project.

Ash and Gary recently were involved in having about 260 WW II vets take a trip to Bedford, VA to celebrate the 70th anniversary of D-Day. The two were deeply involved for months in helping organizing the trip so that the vets could have a pleasant experience in the get together at the National D-Day Memorial. The expenses of the veterans attending this air flight were completely paid for.

Ash was there to greet the first vets off the plane who were from the Palm Beach, Florida area. The event was a success and Ash left at the Memorial his French Legion of Honor Medal as a gesture of appreciation of the Normandy regions support of the American WW II vets and the vets efforts to free France from German rule. Ash's birthday is on June 12th and he stated that this trip and honorary membership were a great birthday gift.

Gary, Past District Governor Frank Dean and President Nancie gave Ash his certificate of a Honorary Member of Franklin Rotary Club. Nancie pinned a honorary member pin on him and the PDG Dean pinned a Rotary Veteran's pin on him.



## Dues Increase Notice

Per prior approval and by-laws the club's dues will increase as of July 1st. Members dues will now be \$160. Rule 85 dues will be \$135. Dues paid by credit card will have a \$5 service charge fee.





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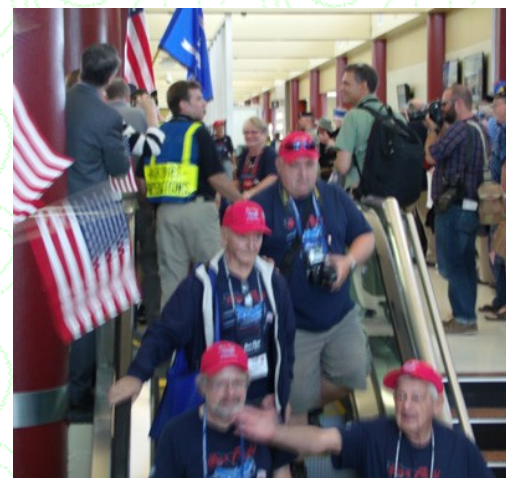


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## Greetings from Bedford, Virginia!!

Our Rotary District sent three busloads of veterans and guardians to the 70th anniversary D-Day Ceremony in Bedford, Va. On June 6th. 260 D-Day Veterans were able to make the ceremony; Greensboro, Winston-Salem and Raleigh also sent bus cavalcades. Our own Gary Bray (DGE) and First Lady Demi attended. Honorary Rotary Club of Franklin member Ash Rothlein and Bray were key in making the event successful.

Great work! The French government is not awarding posthumous Legion of Honor medals, so Ash gave his medal to the Memorial in honor of all the participants in the Normandy campaign who did not receive the medal. The Homage statue was created to honor the Bedford boys - Ash affixed his medal to the statue at the end of the anniversary ceremony. Special thanks to Demi for great pics!

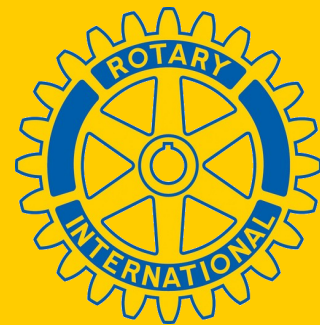




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## New Scout Master for Troop 202



Charlie Vargas was introduced by Mike Norris as the new Scoutmaster for Troop 202. Charlie said that Boy Scouts is 106 years old and that mission of the Boy Scouts is leadership training of young men. That leadership training is accomplished through troop meetings, camping, hiking, swimming and other outdoor activities. Charlie loves the challenge of being a part of this leadership training of our local troop.

Thank you all for supporting Scouting and T202.

## Rotary Gold Star

President Nancie presented Mike Norris with a Rotary Gold Star for all of the efforts that he put in in finding a new Scoutmaster for Troop 202 and in the reorganization of the troop. Judy Chapman was honored earlier for her involvement with Mike in the search for a new Scoutmaster and the troop reorganization.



## Installation Banquet Scheduled for June 26th



Incoming president Susie Ledford reported that today is the last time to sign up for the upcoming installation dinner where she and the incoming Board for 2014-2015 will be installed. She again reiterated that she would like to have as many Rotarians attend that can. This year's installation banquet will be held at Bloemsma Barn on Patton Road. The cost is \$50 per Rotarian couple, \$25 for single member attendees and \$30 per each additional guest of a Rotarian. There will be barbeque ribs, barbeque pork, barbeque chicken along with traditional sides for a barbeque. A blue grass band will play for the event. Susie said the dress will be casual and requested that Rotarians wear their Rotary shirts. The initial sign up sheet was passed at today's meeting and will be passed again next week. The head count needs to go to the cater after next week's meeting so those who missed today's meeting are encouraged to sign up next week.

Bloemsma Barn is located at 1145 Patton Road. Directions from Franklin: Go south on Georgia Road towards Otto past the intersection of US 64. Turn right on Old Georgia Road—just past Allman Drive. Wendy's is on the opposite corner. (If you reach Whistle Stop you've gone about 0.2 miles too far.) From Old Georgia Road turn right on Patton Road. Patton Road is just past Roller Mill Road. (If you are on Patton Road and reach Whistle Stop Way you've gone too far.) 1145 Patton Road is on the right just past Oak Hill Drive. (If you reach Dobson Road you've gone a little too far.)





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## More Tickets came in!

At this weeks, Mike Norris reported that 50—60 tickets have been turned in for our upcoming Roy Rickman Silent Auction and Fundraiser July 26th. Great work Rotarians!! keep it up.. If you have not received your tickets yet your horsemen will be in contact with you. Remember as you turn in the tickets please turn in tickets and monies directly to your horsemen.

**Auction Item** —each Rotarian should be able to provide at least one item to the silent auction event and/or ask a retailer to donate an item that can be auctioned to raise additional dollars for scholarship fund. This year Susie has introduced custom cakes to be auctioned so members who have a spouse who makes a spectacular special cake have the ability to also add this to their list of possible auction items. Forms for auction items are in your ticket packet.

**Program Ad Sales** —each Rotarian was asked to buy an ad in the program or solicit an ad sale from a business that they use. See Sandy Frazier for copies of last year's program to use in

making your sales pitch. Forms for sponsorship ads are in your ticket packet.

## Upcoming Events

18 June..New Members Program

20—21 June.. District Conference

25 June .. No Noon Meeting

26 June.. Installation Banquet (Bloemsma Barn)



**More Silent Auction Items Coming In!**

We have just added a week stay in Hilton Head to our silent auction list!! See Patsy on the silent auction. We will also be in need of volunteers to help with the event. We encourage everyone to help because it takes "all hands on deck" to make it successful. Please see event co-directors John Short and John Yermack. The event is scheduled for Saturday July 26th at MVI.

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**Roy Rickman Scholarship Fundraiser**  
**ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKLIN**  
\$100 Donation Saturday July 26th, 2014  
6:00 pm at Mountain View Intermediate School  
ADMIT TWO Prime Rib Dinner and Silent Auction  
Tickets Checked At Door No To-Go Meals  
Proceeds To Benefit Local & International Rotary Projects  
**WIN YOUR CHOICE OF ONE OF THESE**  
**2014 CARS OR \$15,000 CASH!**

**LIGHT UP ROTARY**

 **Dodge Dart SE**  
Jim Brown Chrysler

 **Chevy Sonic LT**  
Smoky Mtn Chevrolet

 **Ford Focus S**  
Franklin Ford



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## Nancie's Notes



Our Rotary year is fast coming to a close. Hopefully everyone has made his/her annual donation to the Rotary Foundation. I thank all of you who have done so. Your money helps the Foundation fund badly-needed projects world-wide.

Also, if you have not caught up on your dues, please plan to do so by July 1st. Treasurer Fairley advises that several members are in arrears, at a total of a little over \$5000. Our Club works on a budget, just as most of our members do, and we count on members making their dues payments on time in order to meet the Club's obligations. Thank you for catching up and getting President-elect Susie's year off with a clean slate!

If you haven't done so, please let President-elect Susie know by Thursday, June 12th if you plan to attend her installation. Susie has to let her caterer know the number of persons who'll be attending. Email Susie [atsusan.ledford1@frontier.com](mailto:atsusan.ledford1@frontier.com). Don't miss this event. It will be a lot of fun, and we'll be honoring about 12 new Paul Harris fellows, a major donor, as well as those who've served with me on the Board this year.

## Sgt. Bill's "THIS DAY IN HISTORY"

from Club Sgt. At Arms Bill McGaha



1776 The Continental Congress appoints a committee to draft the Declaration of Independence.

1859 The Comstock silver lode is discovered in Nevada.

1895 Charles Duryea receives the first U.S. patent for a gasoline-powered automobile.

1919 Sir Barton wins the Belmont Stakes after earlier wins at the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes, becoming the first racehorse to claim the Triple Crown.

1963 Alabama governor George Wallace stands in front of an auditorium door at the University of Alabama in an attempt to block the enrollment of two black students.

## Clayton's Corner

### Rules for Your Life



1. Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.
2. When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
3. Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the future.
4. It's OK to let your children see you cry.
5. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
6. If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
7. Everything can change in the blink of an eye, but don't worry, God never blinks.





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### The Rotary Club of Franklin Officers and Board Members 2013-14

District Governor: Ronnie Thompson

Assistant District Governor: Jodie Cook

President: Nancie Wilson

President-elect: Susie Ledford

President-nominee: Sean Gibson

Secretary: Patsy Parker

Treasurer: Fairley Pollock

Vocational Service: Lenny Jordan

Community Service: Judy Chapman

Youth Service: Larry Hollifield

International Service: John Henning and Sandy Frazier

Foundations Chair: Jim Garner

Membership Chair: Linda Harbuck

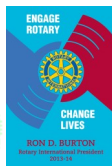
Program Chair: Debbie Tallent

Public Relations Chair: Dick Pritts/Sean Gibson

Sgt. At Arms: Bill McGaha

Immediate Past President: Gary Dills

*Thanks for all you do in service!*



**Rotary Service  
for 6/18..**

**Pledge, Prayer, 4  
Way Test: Vic Greene  
Greeter: Fred Lindstrom**

**50 50 Drawing!**



Fred Drexler  
had the winning  
ticket again but  
could not pull

the winning card from  
the deck. The \$110 pot  
rolls over until next  
week with 7 cards left.

- 1 Ticket —\$1.00
- 3 Tickets —\$2.00
- 5 Tickets —\$3.00
- 10 Tickets—\$5.00
- 25 Tickets—\$10.00



**Next Regular Meeting 6/18 with Patti Abel  
as the host. See you at Tartan Hall at Noon.**