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Ghost Tours of Franklin

Patsy Parker introduced today's program speaker, Gregg Clarke, Founder of Ghost Tours of Franklin. Ghost Tours of Franklin focuses began six years ago by Gregg and his wife who are both teachers in Macon County. Gregg teaches 8th grade History at Macon Middle School.

Currently Ghost Tours of Franklin has three tours in Franklin: Woodlawn Cemetary Tour, Haunted Homes Tour, and and Evening Family History Tour lead by John Deville. Gregg and his wife also lead tours in Sylva, Waynesville and coming soon—Folly Beach, SC!

Gregg is a dedicated historian in our community. He has recently published a book *Ghost Country: The Lost Hauntings of Southern Appalachia Vol. 1* (http://

www.whereshadowswalk.com/product-page/ghost-country-vol-1) *Ghost Country* is comprised of 31 short stories from Maconian residents. Gregg takes pride in getting personal and primary accounts to fuel his literature. Once he receives an intriguiging personal account, he then takes to the library or the internet to research genealogies, newspaper articles, and possible other written accounts that support the personal story. Gregg then creates literature from his research and the story by embedding ambiance, sounds, and embellishing characters to give the story more body.



During Gregg's presentation he read an excerpt from *Ghost Country* titled "Skeleton Falls". This story was set in Burningtown and was a recounting of a child's father seeing an old lamplighter named Uncle Ike. Gregg then verified this information through his research from a 1920's paper. Gregg also gave us an exciting story from 1833 about the first clergy tried for murder on the U.S. Continent.

All in all, Gregg's presentation was fabulous and certainly set the mood for Halloween! Gregg's mission is to "Preserve and record these stories so they aren't lost forever." To schedule a tour please log on to http://www.whereshadowswalk.com/untitled or give Gregg a call at 828-371-6958. You can also buy his book Ghost Country at these fine establishments: Office Supply, Franklin Historical Museum, Books Unlimited on Main St., whereshadowswalk.com, or Amazon.





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Ashlie's Announcements

Oct. 20—4-Way Test at MMS 8:00-9:30am

Oct. 24—Packing backpacks at CareNet—Rotary will donate \$1 to Polio Plus for EVERY back pack packed on this day since it coincides with World Polio Dat

Oct. 25—Chamber Mingle 5-6pm

Oct. 26—BREW Meeting 5:30pm Currahee

Nov. 4—Foundation Banquet: Renaissance Hotel, Asheville, NC. The cost is \$55 per person.

Nov. 4—Rise Against Hunger 12:30pm

Nov. 18—Satellite Club "Combined Clubs" Greenway Clean-up

NOVEMBER—RLI Training—IN HENDERSONVILLE (the Closest it's Ever been) Funding available for Interested Individuals

Student of the Month

Lindsey Wood attends Macon Early College and will be graduating with an Associates of Arts degree as well as her High School

diploma. Lindsey
has maintained a 4.5
HS GPA and a 3.8
College GPA while
attending MEC.
Lindsey will attend
WCU and plans to
major in Business.



Volunteer Opportunities

It's Time to Pack Those Backpacks!!!

Franklin Rotary will pack backpacks for CareNET the last Monday of every month from 4-6pm. That would mean we are scheduled for the following dates:

-Monday, October 24th—This will coincide with World Polio Day. Rotary will donate \$1 for EVERY backpack that is packed on this date!

-Monday, November 27th

-Monday, December 18th **the last Monday of Dec. is the 25th so we will schedule Dec. for the 18th

4 Way Test

Whoever is leading the Four Way Test Program will do a brief introduction, talk to the kids about Rotary and then we go around the room and individually stand up and introduce ourselves. After that, we participate in a small ice breaker with our individual tables.

Once complete, we break into the meat of the program. Each table has a brown bag that has approximately 10 different scenarios in it. Each kid takes a turn pulling a scenario out of the bag and then as a table we discuss what actions should be taken in the situation and how to best apply the Four Way Test in our decision making. Two representatives from each table present their scenario and then the leader of the program thanks everyone for their participation and we close by presenting each student with a Four Way Test Coin!

*Need 10-12 Volunteers per Day

-October 20th

-October 27th

-November 3rd

-November 17th



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Fred's Funnies

A Golfer's Integrity



An older golfer was hitting his ball from near a water hazard and his club fell into the water. When he cried out, the Lord appeared and asked, "Why are you crying?

The golfer replied that his club had fallen into the water and he needed the club to win the tournament to supplement his meager pension. The Lord went down into the water and reappeared with a golden club.

"Is this your club?" the Lord asked. The golfer replied, "No.The Lord again went down and came up with a silver club. "Is this your club?" the Lord asked. Again, the golfer replied, "No. The Lord went down again and came up with an iron club. "Is this your club?" the Lord asked. The golfer replied, "Yes.

"The Lord was pleased with the golfer's honesty and gave him all three clubs to keep, and the golfer went home happy.

Sometime later, the golfer was walking with his wife along the water hazard, and she fell into the river. When he cried out, the Lord again appeared and asked him, "Why are you crying?" Oh Lord, my woman has fallen into the water! The Lord went down into the water and came up with Kate Upton. "Is this your woman?" the Lord asked "Yes," cried the golfer.

The Lord was furious. "You lied! That is an untruth!" The golfer replied, "Oh, forgive me Lord. It is a misunderstanding. You see, if I had said 'No' to Kate Upton, you would have come up with Jennifer Anniston. Then if I said 'No' to her, you would have come up with my woman. Had I then said 'Yes,' you would have given me all three.

And Lord, I am an old man not able to take care of all three women in a way that they deserve ... that's why I said 'Yes' to Kate Upton.

And God was pleased

The moral of this story is: If a golfer ever tells a lie, it is for a good and honorable reason and only out of consideration for others!









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Thanks for all you do in service!

Upcoming Events



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50 50 Drawing

1 Ticket —\$1.00

3 Tickets —\$2.00

5 Tickets —\$3.00

10 Tickets—\$5.00

25 Tickets—\$10.00





Meeting next Week

Service Committees
Meet



No One Won 50/50— Maybe Next Week!