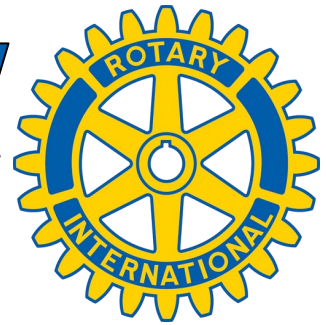


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## Research in the Arctic

By John Short

Susan Steiner, science teacher at Macon Early College, spoke to members of the Rotary Club of Franklin June 19th. The program was hosted by Robin Jenkins. Susan was one of twelve teachers who applied for and were given the opportunity to study and do research in the arctic through PolarTREC.

Susan graduated from the University of Central Missouri. Upon graduation she worked for Nantahala Outdoor Center. Later she received her teaching degree from Western Carolina University. Her first teaching position was at Macon Middle school where she taught science. She currently teaches science at Macon Early College.

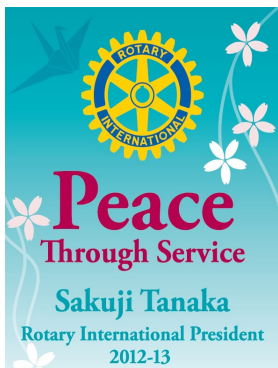
Susan said this research trip to Alaska gave her laboratory hands on experience which she is bringing back to her classroom. The polar region is the fastest warming area of the planet and makes for a unique laboratory setting. To get to the research site the group had to travel from Fairbanks Alaska north for 9 hours on the Dalton Highway, otherwise known as Haul Rd, where you stop for nothing.

Upon arriving at the Toolik Field station, which houses about 150 people in the summer and 8 during the winter, she settled into her temporary home. She stayed in a trailer which had climate control along with a few other conveniences while others stayed in tents. The lab was built on a gravel pad and most buildings were portable. Every effort was made to disturb the area as little as possible. She found out that scientists eat well and said the food was great. They were allowed showers twice a week and laundry once a week. The average water usage was 13 gal. per day compared to 100 gal per day in the U.S.

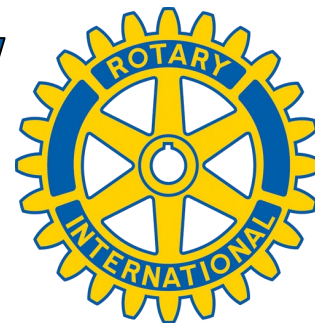
While at the research facilities she studied tundra soils along with carbon deposits, nitrogen levels, snow melt and ecosystem warming. They had to travel by helicopter to get to the research sites. Once there they walked on a boardwalk to get to the site. Since there was no cell service they had to sign out when they left the center and give an expected time of return so others would know when to start a search in case someone didn't come back on time. Participants kept a journal and a blog while in the arctic so others could follow their experiences. Susan also enjoyed seeing the wildlife while there, including musk ox and fox. All expenses for the trip were paid by PolarTREC.

This research trip was exciting for both Susan and her students who are able to experience the arctic through Susan's first hand experiences. Susan has been asked by PolarTREC to go again next month to continue her research which she is looking forward to doing.





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## **Please Continue to work on getting Items for our Silent Auction as well as Door Prizes.**

We are looking for quality items on this year's Roy Rickman Silent Auction and Fundraiser. In addition to the wonderful 19-99 Toyota Corolla and Cruise, we have an autographed Yankee Great Bobby Richardson autographed baseball on the auction block this year. Our current bid stands at \$200. Keep it coming. You can

view baseball and authentication certificate at Franklin Office and Art Supply. Please continue to gather items for our silent auction. Please check out items displayed each week at the regular meetings. We also have pictures of some of the major items on our website at [franklinrotary.com](http://franklinrotary.com). Without your help it cannot be a success. This is a major part of our fundraiser in addition to ticket sales. July 27th is not far off! Please get your items to your auction team leaders with paperwork filled out and please bring door prizes to the next meeting.

## **Tickets continue to come in. Keep it up!**

As of our June 19th meeting to date, we have 135 tickets with money turned in on our Roy Rickman Fundraiser. Please continue to get your tickets sold. Again as a reminder when you sell tickets with money collected

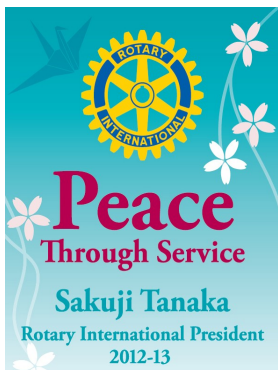
(cash or check), please turn them in to your horsemen (Tom Coley, Sean Gibson, Patti Abel or Gary Shields). Please continue to collect items for the silent auction as well as door prizes to give away at the event. We are in need of ads for our souvenir program-**deadline July 13th**. Please see auction team leaders on the silent auction and Sandy Frazier on program ads. Rickman Co-Chair John Short will also be in need of volunteers to help work the event on July 27th. If you would like to volunteer, please see John.



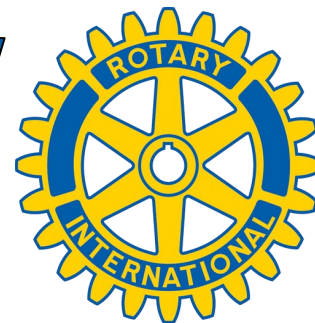
**Just Some Reminders..No Meeting July 3rd and New DG Visit**  
Next week we will have a meeting June 26th. The program will feature discussion on Project Ecuador with Bob and Kit Frank. We will not have a meeting on July 3rd. Please plan on attending installation on July 1st at the Dillard House. If you would like to attend please see Fairley or email her at [fairleyp@gmail.com](mailto:fairleyp@gmail.com). At the July 10th regular meeting we will welcome our new district governor for 2013-14 Ronnie Thompson. Board members please come early as we will be meeting with Governor Ronnie at 10:15am prior to the regular meeting.







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## Making a Big Gift to the Foundation

Carl Davis, Major Gifts officer with Rotary International will be in the district July 31-August 4th. He would like to meet individually with those interested in making a major gift to the Foundation. Contact P.E. Nancie if you would like to have an appointment to meet with him.



## We Take Plastic!

President Gary's and P.E. Nancie's boards have authorized the use of credit cards to pay Club dues effective July 1st. An additional \$5.00 will be added to the dues for any member using a credit card. The \$5 will offset the cost to the club charged by the credit card agency.

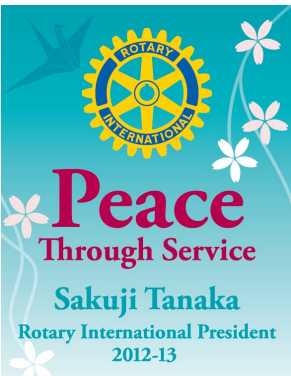
## Dental Clinic Needs You!

The NC Dental Society will offer a free Dental Clinic at the WCU Ramsey Center on July 12 & 13. Volunteers are needed in all areas. Go to their website for more information on the type of help needed. [http://www.ncdental.org/ncds/Volunteer\\_%E2%80%9393\\_Community\\_Support.asp](http://www.ncdental.org/ncds/Volunteer_%E2%80%9393_Community_Support.asp). Then let Judy Chapman know of your interest in volunteering ([jchapman@dnet.net](mailto:jchapman@dnet.net)). Last year our District helped sponsor this much-needed event and we'd like to get several people from our club to volunteer again this year.

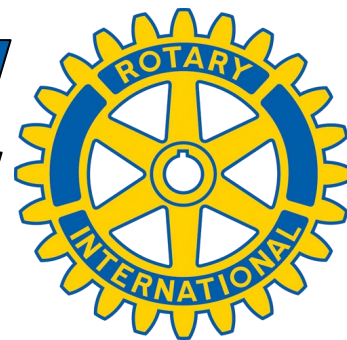
## June is Fellowship Month

June is Rotary Fellowship Month. Fellowship, is the glue that holds everything in Rotary together. Fellowship has many different meanings but three of the best that are listed in the dictionary include...1. a. The condition of sharing similar interests, ideals, or experiences....b. The companionship of individuals in a congenial atmosphere and on equal terms. It can also mean...2. A close association of friends or equals sharing similar interests. And it can mean....3. Friendship; comradeship. A club cannot function properly without fellowship..





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## Volunteers Needed 2013-14.

Rotary's approach is becoming more of a "hands on" service club as we move into the future and the Rotary club of Franklin will be in need of volunteers for the next year on a couple of projects. First...we need immediate volunteers to help with our invocation, pledge and Rotary Theme which we recite each meeting. Also we are in need of volunteers to help at the Community Care Clinic on July 12 and 13. If you are interested in helping with the prayer, pledge and them for each meeting, please see Rotarian Vic Greene. If you would like to help with the Community Care Clinic, please see Rotarian Judy Chapman. We are also in need of 50 50 volunteers for next year. We need three to rotate throughout the year. Please see PE Nancie! Thanks for all you do in Rotary Service

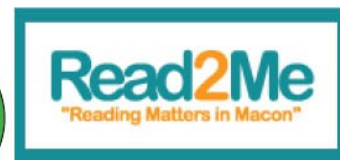
## 1 More Flywheel Reporter Needed

Thanks again to John Short, Tom Coley and Demi Bray for agreeing to help in 2013-14 with articles for the Flywheel. We need 1 more volunteer. Without you the newsletter cannot be possible. Please see PR Director Dick Pritts Today. Thanks for all you do in service.



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

Time to clean  
out and  
share books!



**Spring Cleaning!**  
**May 20-June 28**



Read2Me is collecting children's books to distribute to the community at summer events.

Book drop-off locations:

- Macon Program for Progress
- Macon County School Administrative Offices
- All Elementary Schools
- Macon County Public Library

Let your child  
see you read!

 [facebook.com/read2me](https://facebook.com/read2me)

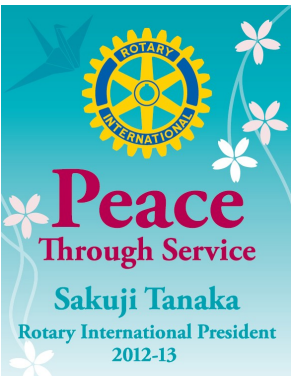
Take time to  
share a book  
with a child!

## 50 50 Drawing

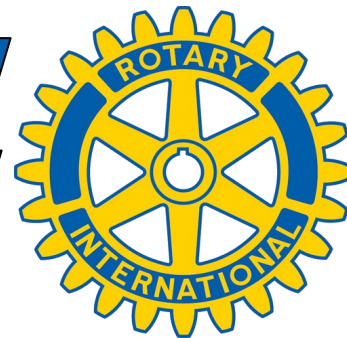


No winner in the June 19th 50 50 drawing. Monies roll over to the June 26th meeting.

**Next Week's Program: Project Ecuador with Bob and Kit Frank (John Henning, host)**  
**Greeter next week: Linda Harbuck**  
**Patti Abel is 50/50 Guru**



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DATE	TIME	EVENT NAME	LOCATION / COMMENTS
<b>June - Rotary Fellowships Month</b>			
Wed Jun 26, 13	12:00P	Project Ecuador-Kit and Bob Frank	John Henning has the program. Tartan Hall, 1st Presbyterian Church
<b>July - Engage Rotary, Change Lives</b>			
Mon Jul 01, 13	05:30P	Installation Banquet	Dillard House Conference Center, Dillard, GA
Wed Jul 03, 13	12:00P	No meeting	{enter event location here...}
Tue Jul 09, 13	05:30P	Board Meeting	Fat Buddie's Restaurant
Wed Jul 10, 13	12:00P	Official visit of District Governor Ronnie Thompson	Tartan Hall, 1st Presbyterian Church
Wed Jul 17, 13	12:00P	Susie Ledford - RYLA	Tartan Hall - First Presbyterian
Wed Jul 24, 13	12:00P	Rickman Raffle/Auction Wrap-Up	No Program today. We will do wrap-up of the Rickman ticket sales and tie up other loose ends in preparation for the Auction and Drawing on July 27th.
Sat Jul 27, 13	05:00P	Roy Rickman Raffle, Silent Auction, and Dinner	Mountain View Intermediate School
Wed Jul 31, 13	12:00P	Council on Legislative Overview-Jim Efland	Dennis Sanders has the program.
<b>August - Membership &amp; Extension Month</b>			
Wed Aug 07, 13	12:00P	Galaxy to Stars-Paul Lormand WCU Fine and Performing Arts Center	Sandy Frazier has the program
Tue Aug 13, 13	05:30P	Board Meeting	Fat Buddies' Restaurant
Wed Aug 14, 13	12:00P	Gene Robinson of Webster Enterprises	Mike Norris has the program.
Fri Aug 16, 13 thru Sat Aug 17, 13	09:00A	Daybreak Rotary Golf Tournament	{enter event location here...}
Wed Aug 21, 13	12:00P	Top Ten Students	Tommy and Robin Jenkins have the program.
Wed Aug 28, 13	12:00P	Club Assembly	Tartan Hall
<b>September - New Generations Month</b>			
Wed Sep 04, 13	12:00P	New Member Introductions	Linda Harbuck has the program.
Tue Sep 10, 13	05:30P	Board Meeting	Fat Buddie's Restaurant
Wed Sep 11, 13	12:00P	UNC-TV: Tom Howe, Gen. Manager	Gary Shields has the program.
Wed Sep 18, 13	12:00P	CART Program-Bill Shillito	Tartan Hall



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