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# The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina

by Demi Bray



President Nancie Wilson introduced this week's speaker, Sheryl Aikman, Vice President of The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina. She came to us as a Rotary Alumni, having studied at the University of Bristol, England in 1989-1990 on a Rotary Foundation scholarship, and spoke warmly about her ties to Rotary.

The Community Foundation's mission is to inspire philanthropy and mobilize resources to enrich lives and communities throughout the 18 counties of Western North Carolina. Since its inception in Asheville in 1978 with initial funding of \$5,000 each from Junior League and United Way, the Community Foundation has grown to

hold \$211 million under management. Sheryl proudly reported that it acts as steward for 168 non-profit funds entrusted to it by other regional charitable and philanthropic organizations. The Community Foundation's areas of emphasis include early childhood development, food & farming, and preserving natural and cultural resources.

During this grant cycle, the Community Foundation has awarded 2,663 new grants, sending \$11.4 million to support the efforts of individuals and organizations, including

151 scholarships totaling \$321,000. Awards went to at least one recipient in each of the counties it represents. Since 2009, in Macon County alone, individuals and organizations have received \$1,144,258 in grants, plus \$100,000 in scholarships.

Sheryl concluded by quoting a projection from her organization's website. Over 25 years, a \$250,000 gift will award \$355,268 in grants but still have a balance at the end of that period of \$485,037. Further information about the Community Foundation of WNC is available at www.cfwnc.org.





# Happy St. Pats to Yah!

On Monday, the Rotary Club of Franklin enjoyed food, fun and fellowship. Thanks for the great turnout at Chris and Charlie's on the Highlands Road.



Motorcycle Event

The International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians will be in our District beginning on Sunday, April 27th. If you have any Rotarians that motorcycle, this is a fun event. The IFMR will be in Waynesville, Maggie Valley, Robbinsville, the Biltmore Estate, and Cherokee. Spread the word!!!

### Message from District 7670

DGE Gary Bray announces, with great pleasure, that the Keynote Speaker at our District Foundation Banquet and Celebration will be 2013-2014 Rotary International Vice President, Anne Matthews. As many of you know, Anne is Rotary's first female Vice President and her passion is The Rotary Foundation. The banquet will be on November 8, 2014, at the Asheville Renaissance Hotel. Please note that this is a change in the date in order to accommodate Anne's schedule.

Gary asks that you plan to attend the banquet and join him in welcoming Anne to District 7670.





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# District Conference Alert

Registration for the Rotary District Conference in Greenville, SC is underway. The conference will be at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Greenville, SC, from June 20-22, 2014. To reserve your hotel, you will need to contact the hotel directly and ask for the Rotary discounted rate. The link is on the District data base. The first 50 Rotarians to register and pay the registration fee will be entered into a drawing and the winner will receive a refund for his/her registration on Friday night a the Conference. The current District Governor line is not eligible for this drawing. The current District Governor line is not eligible for this drawing. Franklin Rotary will reimburse \$100 of the registration cost for the first 10 members who register. After registering provide Fairley a copy of your registration and she will provide you a rebate check.

26 March..Gold star Program

**Upcoming Events** 

29 March..Grants Management Seminar at A-B Tech Enka Campus

2 April..Blue Ridge Dental 9 April..Gilliam's Promise 16 April..Child Hunger Awareness

## **Rickman Coming Soon!**

Our one and only fundraiser is in the planning stages and we need your help. We will 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. Patsy Parker announced that all should start to put together the silent auction items. We had great success last year and need to plan on topping it this year. She stated that no item is too small to be included. Nows the time to start gathering items!





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Have you made your contribution to the Rotary Foundation yet? If not, I hope you will consider doing so in the near future. Once a year members are given a bill for \$100 for the Rotary Foundation, but if that amount is not "doable," then members can give any amount of their choosing, even if it's just \$10!

In the next several days, some of our members will be calling those who have not yet contributed to the Rotary Foundation. It is the goal of your Board for our Club to be an EREY Club: Every Rotarian Every Year. This means that all our members have given something to the Rotary Foundation every year. Please give every consideration to donating to the Rotary Foundation. It is through the Rotary Foundation that Rotary does its good work around the world, and at home, too. If you have questions about the Foundation or giving to it, contact our Club's Foundation Chairman Jim Garner.

## Membership Minute

This is the first posting for new membership for David Notestine and Michael Butler. David is being sponsored by Tom James and Michael by Lenny Jordan. If anyone has any questions or concerns please direct them to any board member or President Nancie!

#### Flywheel Volunteer Needed

PR Chair Dick Pritts is looking for someone to work with him in publishing the weekly Flywheel. The volunteer needs to have Publisher software on their computer. Dick and Sean will train the volunteer on putting the newsletter together.

## Sgt. Bill's "THIS DAY IN HISTORY" from Club Sgt. At Arms Bill McGaha



Sometimes printed words affect history. One of those times came in March 1852 with the publication of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, a novel by Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote to call attention to the evils of slavery. The book hit America like an earthquake.

In our times "Uncle Tom" has become a term of abuse, referring to a black man who is obsequious toward whites. But Stowe's Uncle Tom is a dignified, courageous man who suffers a beating until he dies rather than give up the whereabouts of two runaway slaves. The story moved millions of Americans, especially evangelicals of the North, and helped convince them that slavery in the United States must end. In England, Queen Victoria wept over the book.

1831 Edward Smith steals \$250,000 from the City Bank in downtown New York, the first recorded bank robbery in American history.

- 1916The first U.S. air combat mission begins as the First Aero Squadron takes off from Columbus, New Mexico, in a expedition to catch Pancho Villa.
- 1952The one millionth Jeep, originally produced as a"general purpose" vehicle for the U.S. Army is manufactured.
- 1979The U.S. House begins televising its day-to-day business on C-SPAN.
- 2003 An American-led coalition launches a war against Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein, with air strikes on Baghdad.

# Clayton's Corner



## On Paraprosdokians Part 2

12. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.

13. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.

14. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.





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# If You're Close..Lets Make a Deal



Foundation Chair Jim Garner has Paul Harris points from several members that the Club will use to help a

Member obtain their Paul Harris Fellow or to help a member reach the next Paul Harris level . See Jim if you are interested in getting points to use towards your Paul Harris Fellow goal.

## RYLA Candidates Needed

PE Susie Ledford recently announced the opening for two high school students to attend Rotary RYLA camp in June in Brevard. If a member has a student a grandson / granddaughter that they would like to nominate, please get the



nomination to Susie as soon as possible. The candidate should be a student who will be entering the sophomore, junior of senior class in the fall.

RYLA this year will be June 16 through the 20th. The camp is at

the Brevard Music Center.

# ENGAGE ROTARY

Special Program Next Week!!

Reminder again..please attend the March 26th program with Iraqi war hero Major Kent G. Solheim. Solheim, a North Carolina native, and Green Beret. He was in Operation Volcano II and the mission was to capture a senior leader of the infamous Shite militia, the Mahdi Army. The high-level insurgent was holed up in Karbala, the large Iraqi city located some 60 mile southwest of Baghdad. Thanks to the then Captain Solheim's selfless and heroic actions in that operation, dozens of American lives were saved. His actions demonstrated how he placed the lives of his men over that of his own, earning him the Silver Star.

For the rest of the story about that operation, which wounded him in his leg and back and the how that injury and subsequent recovery affected his military career. He lost his right leg in the process of recovery from being shot in the left shoulder, one through he left knee and two through his right knee. After two years, which included 29 surgeries, he decided to have the right leg below the impaired knee amputated. Major Solheim will talk about his military service including how he overcame the loss of limb and looks to help other soldiers do the same.

Bill would like to have a full room for this program so members are encouraged to invite friends and spouses who would like to hear this program.



**Troop 202 News**. The BSA Troop 202 is having a reunion Monday March 31st 6p at the Slagle Building. All former scouts and leaders of Troop 202 are invited to attend. Meet the current troop leaders ad members. RSVP Mike Norris if you, or know a former member or leader that would like to attend. You also still have a little time to buy your Boy Scout Discount Card. They are ONLY \$5 (buy 4 for \$20) from a Boy Scout. You earn 50% on you investment; use them yourself or they make cheap gifts. Good in five Western NC Counties to Asheville and surround. HELP A SCOUT EARN HIS WAY TO CAMP. Call me at <u>828-342-1122</u>. You can purchase a card by mail from me until April 1st.. See Rotarian Mike Norris if you would like a card..cost is \$5.00 per card.

## Suggested School and Medical Supplies for Panama School Project



Sandy Frazier and team members will be heading to Panama March 31st for additional work at Kenia Alvarez's school. He will be taking a suitcase of supplies with him for the school> The last day for bringing in the donations will be next Wednesday and here are the suggested supplies:

Suggested School Supplies

Lined Paper

Note Books Pencils/Pens/Crayons/Markers Construction Paper Scissors/Rulers Small Calculators Suggested Medical Supplies Band Aids/Gauze Antibiotic Crème Aspirin/Ibuprofen/Tylenol Hydro Cortisone Anti-Fungal Eye Drops Tums/Antacids Multivitamins

Money donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to either St. David's Episcopal Church or Franklin Rotary Charitable Foundation for tax deduction purposes. Memo line should denote "Project Panama."





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

**Rotary Service** for 3/26.. Pledge, Prayer, 4 Way Test: Fred Berger Greeter: Susan Gibbs 50 50 Drawing! Amy Manshack did not draw the winning card. The \$70 pot rolls over to next week so it is time to keep buying tickets.

Next Regular Meeting 3/26 Major Kent G. Solheim (Bill Barr is the host). See you at Tartan Hall at Noon.