

Weekly Online Newsletter of The Rotary Club of Franklin, N.C.

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Wednesday May 2, 2018

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## The Elizabeth Project

Recruiting and retaining physicians in rural areas is a challenge and The Elizabeth Project is a program designed to encourage and support the values which will bring more physicians back to primary practice in rural NC, as well as other rural communities.

The Elizabeth Project is a Rotary initiative project that started in Charlotte with a generous gift from a Rotarian as well as a philanthropist. The program is designed to "Mentor for Medicine" by partnering Rotarians initially with high school students to support them in their quest to become physicians thus increasing health care in rural areas such as Franklin.

The Rev. and Rotarian Marty McCarthy from Charlotte and Larry Newton from Tryon presented the program's goals and objectives, then urged Rotarians to sign on as mentors. The program will identify appropriate high school students who aspire to go to medical school but who see barriers to their aspirations. With a trained mentor, these students are first identified, then supported throughout their education and training.

The program focuses on keeping aligned with one's personal values, the reasons students initially choose to go into medicine: a desire to help and to give back to their community. The speakers shared statistics\*\* about the need for primary care doctors in the rural areas as well as how students' initial values to enter medicine is changed during medical school. There are too many who decide that lifestyle and economic factors outweigh that initial desire to return home and serve.

Rotarians were encouraged to practice Service above Self and enroll as a mentor. With about 9 hours of training, and working always with a partner, mentors are then matched with students and maintain a connection with them throughout medical school and residency. Statistics show that this type of bond creates a greater return of these future doctors to underserved areas.

For more information, contact <a href="mailto:larry.newton@elizabethprogram.org">larry.newton@elizabethprogram.org</a>
\*\*3% of medical school graduates serve in rural communities

\*\*60% of medical student graduates change their minds about returning home to practice primary care







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#### "Rain, Rivers, Fish and Faucets"

Partnering with Mainspring Conservation Trust and Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory's Long Term Ecological Research Project and Macon County Schools, Forward Franklin invites you to:

Saturday, June 16 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Drake Education Center in Franklin.

Learn more about:

- Simple, inexpensive and positive steps you can do to help keep the local waters healthy
- The unique diversity of life in the Little Tennessee River and effects of regulation to the watershed
- How the local economy is impacted by outdoor recreation and tourism
- ♦ What effects climate change could have in western NC It's free!

Lunch will be available for purchase from Frogtown Market and Deli and a food truck will be on-site. Join us, and learn more about the watershed that is vital to this region.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Community service clean-up at the Rotary Centennial Park on the Greenway-behind the Shops of Franklin--on May 12 starting at 9 am. If you have rakes, wheelbarrows, or anything to help with moving mulch, please bring.

Saturday May 12th, 2018

#### Ashlie's Announcements

- ◆ May 5 & 6—Cliff Harris' visitation is 5-7 pm Saturday at Resurrection Lutheran; service is Sunday from 2-4 pm.
- ◆ Second posting for The Rev. Jonathan Stepp; installation next Wednesday.
- ◆ May 10—BREW will meet at Root and Barrel, 5:30 pm.
- May is Foundation Month; you will get a call since Mike wants us to be an EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) club for this year.

#### **Paul Harris Opportunity**

\*\*\*Opportunity to advance toward PH Level

\*\*\*Our club is willing to match 3 for 1 toward PH

-\$350 Donation will equal a PH

Fellowship

## **Reviving FHS Interact!!!**

John Short, Gary Dills and Barbara Lawrence recently met with about 30 FHS students to revive the





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# Fred's Funnies Daily Dose of LOLs



IF YOU SEE A BEER
IN THIS PICTURE



YOU MAY HAVE A PROBLEM



She asked her husband for 18 carat necklace



I don't know much about birds but I can easily identify the husband in this picture









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#### The Rotary Club of Franklin Officers and Board Members 2017-18

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Immediate Past President: Lenny Jordan

Thanks for all you do in service!

## Upcoming Events



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**May 10th**—BREW will meet at Root and Barrel, 5:30 pm.

May 12th—Centennial Park Cleanup

**Month of May**—is Foundation Month; you will get a call since Mike wants us to be an EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) club for this year.



## 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



The Mushroom Man



No One Won 50/50—
Maybe next week!