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WCU Rotaract Chapter

BY Ashlie Mitchell Lanning

Parker Airington and his Rotaract Board members at WCU came to our club this week to present on what Rotaract means to them as members, what their initiatives are within the community, and their FY 18' goals as a club. Rotaract is currently in its 50th year – with the first chapter forming at UNC Charlotte. Currently there are over 9,200 clubs in 23 countries. Each Rotaract is sponsored by a local Rotary club.

Parker said that being in Rotaract requires consistent investments of time, efforts and resources to make an impact. Their club's moto is "There is no better use of one's time than freely helping those in need!" Parker also said that his club that is very important to look at "not *what* you do as a club, but *why* you do it"

WCU Rotaract has achieved much in the 6 months since it began: (1) They are a recognized student organization with established bylaws which means they can now access funds and resources to build engagement (2) Created a social media presence and fully functional website (3) They established a bank account to fund projects (4) Grown to 20+ student members (5) Provide a professional development mini-class for public speaking. They have also participated in many service activities: (1) Cats Giving – Collected \$300 and food for 120 families in the Sylva area (2) Roadside Cleanups (3) Established a community garden (4) Volunteer at the Center for Service Learning

Their goals as a club are broken up into five month long Semesters. Their SMART Goals for this semester are: (1) To have seven or more members in at least five different service learning projects (2) Have at least four guest speakers lead Rotaract members in professional development seminars (3) Raise \$1000 through Baseball Concession sales

The club's Membership Chair says that they have a weekly newsletter that goes out to 52 students at WCU and they have a booth at Career Fairs, CORE Fest, and Valley Ballyhoo to recruit new members. Their goal is to build a solid foundation to cement this Rotaract Club into WCU's service learning opportunities.

We, as Rotarians in Franklin, can support them through volunteering at the WCU Baseball home games in the concession stand, helping them to raise money for their \$5000 goal, and support them through encouragement to continue the club.

These young men and women that came to our club today were so passionate and interested in helping others. Thank you Rotaract Club of WCU for such an informative presentation!



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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:

- **February 26, 2018**
- March 26, 2018
- April 23, 2018



Student of the Month

Abigail Emory

President of the FBLA at FHS. Abigail has been in Top 10 in her class for all four years of High School and is currently in the Top 5!!!

Abigail plans to pursue a career in Law—and plans to use the knowledge she has gained in FBLA to further her academic and professional career.

WAY TO GO ABIGAIL!



Ashlie's Announcements

- ◆ Feb. 26th, 4 PM—CareNet Back Pack Packing
- ◆ March 1st, 5:30—BREW meeting—Currahee Brewery
- ◆ April 6-9—District Conference in Kingsport, TN

Paul Harris Recognition

Sandy Frazier—PH+5!!!

***Opportunity to advance toward PH Level

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

-\$350 Donation will

Equal a PH Fellowship

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Fred's Funnies

A Little Humor to Brighten your
Week



Don't mind me...just picking up
this year's Christmas tree...



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FOCUS ON THE PROBLEM



YOU MIGHT
MISS THE EASY SOLUTION



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President: Judy Chapman

President-elect: Janet Greene

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Secretary: Patsy Parker

Treasurer: Jim Garner

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Membership Chair: Amy Manshack

Program Chair: Debbie Tallent

Public Image Chair: Paul Garner

Flywheel Editor: Ashlie Mitchell

Sgt. At Arms: Tom James/Kyle Ledford

Immediate Past President: Lenny Jordan

Thanks for all you do in service!

Upcoming Events



Feb. 26th, 4 PM—
CareNet Back Pack
Packing

March 1st, 5:30—
BREW meeting—
Currahee Brewery

**March 24th—Scholars
Banquet**

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 Commit- tees Meeting



Mike Norris
won and do-
nated his win-
nings to WCU
Rotaract!