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## **CLUB ASSEMBLY - UPDATES FROM DIRECTORS AND CHAIRS**

Article by Tom Coley

Members of the Rotary Club of Franklin got a midterm update on the 2013- 2014 Rotary year from various directors, chairs and board members on January 22. Just some of the highlights include John Short, chair of the Rotary Club of Franklin Charitable Foundation (CF) reminded us that the club established 'The Rotary Club of Franklin's Charitable Foundation' for two primary reasons; 1. To give us a financial vehicle where non-Rotarians and Rotarians can make a tax deductible contribution such as a beguest or major gift and keep those funds local. It is not intended to compete with the Rotary Foundation which returns funds to us locally and makes a huge difference internationally. Secondly, the CF gives us a body where we can solicit and accept funds from the Non-Rotary community to support local club projects year round and at a significant level WITHOUT having an additional club fundraiser. The CF board members are embarking on a regional campaign to grow our fund and thereby broaden our scope of service to the Western North Carolina community. Anyone interested in helping in this endeavor can contact John Short or Tom Coley. Larry Hollifield, Youth Services Director, reported that our Interact Club has received a Rotary Presidential Citation for excellence. Also Sara Blackburn, a student at Nacoochee School, has been selected for our next student exchange program. Mike Norris updated the club on our Boy Scout Troup 202 efforts as there is a search underway for a permanent scout master. Judy Chapman, Community Service Director, reported that Community Care Service, which we support, has had to reduce their service from last year due to financial shortfalls. Our club has also been active in the Rotary Hunger Assistance Program. Lenny Jordan, Vocational Service Director, reported that his search committee is underway to award The Bob and Helen Carpenter Nursing Scholarship to a deserving student. The Rotary Ethics in Business Award will be given to Greg Vernelson, owner of Franklin Auction Co. While picking up furniture items for an auction, Greg found and returned \$21,000 in cash that had been forgotten by its owner. Co-Directors John Henning and Sandy Frazier, International Service, reported the club is considering supporting projects in the Philippines, Guatemala, and Ecuador. Sandy will be leaving with a work mission team in March for our ongoing project to support a school in rural Panama. Jim Garner, Rotary Foundation Chair, reminded us that we all can participate in interna-



tional service projects through our support of The Rotary Foundation and foundation credit points are available to match a Rotarian's contribution toward Paul Harris Fellow recognition. Dick Pritts, Public Relations Chair, needs a "backup" editor for the Flywheel. If anyone might have an interest, please contact him. Also, there is a project in the works to have video available on the website for members to view District 7670 training seminars. Linda Harbuck, Membership Chair, reported that we are having a great year for membership with 77 total members at present including 9 new members inducted thus far and 3 members in process. For more information or opportunities to be involved, visit <a href="www.FranklinRotary.com">www.FranklinRotary.com</a> or contact President Nancie.



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## Project Panama

Since 2004 area Rotary Clubs and churches have been in partnership with the Rotary Club of Boquete, Panama. During the nine years of this international project nearly 3000 pounds of medical and school supplies have been transported from Western North Carolina to Western Panama. Over \$32,000 in cash donations have been provided. Over 100 volunteers have paid their way (\$1500 - \$1700) to spend their vacations providing over 3200 hours of labor renovating schools and conducting medical clinics. Over 1200 patients have been examined and treated. Kenia Alvarez is once again back in Western North Carolina, where she is enjoying a vacation. While here she will be visiting our nation's capitol in Washington, DC and Disney World in Orlando (both very similar destinations these days). She will be telling her story at a few gatherings. It is an extremely interesting, heart-warming, and first-hand account of how Rotary, Rotarians, and citizens of Western NC have affected, not only her life, but those of her students in a very positive and uplifting way. Kenia will be at Our Club on Wednesday noon, February 5<sup>th</sup> to share her story.







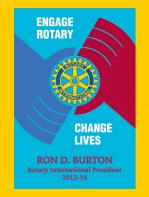






Community Care Clinic Gets Award

One of the organizations that the Rotary Club of Franklin supports, the Community Care Clinic received the distinguished Civic Organization of the Year Award presented by the Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday Night January 21st at the Franklin Chamber's annual banquet at Tartan Hall. The clinic was recognized for its outstanding work in the community providing healthcare to those who cannot afford it.



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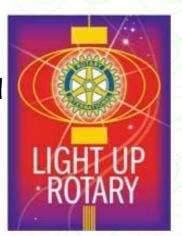
## Troup 202 Needs Help!

Scouting Troop 202 will be needing a permanent scout master after Chuck Williams completes the 3 months leading scout troop 202. The Troop is being re-chartered with 8 members and the club will be increasing their involvement and assistance to the troop in this and upcoming years and are looking for members to volunteer. See Mike Norris. The troop will hold their meetings at the Slagle Building and are planning a Reunion and Work Day to take care of some of the facility repairs that are needed. Volunteers will also be needed. If you are interested or know of someone interested see Past President Mike Norris

## **District Conference Alert**

Registration for the Rotary District Conference in Greenville, SC will begin at 8:00 a.m. on January 23. 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.

And Now our 2014-15 Rotary Theme announced by R.I. is.....



# Our Next 4 Way Test..

Is this Friday January 24th Macon Early College. Please arrive between 8 and 830. We are in need of additional Rotarians to volunteer—see PE Susie!

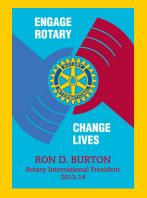


Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# Membership Minute

This is the 2nd official posting for Paul Garner being proposed for membership Garner is sponsored\_by Club Secretary Patsy Parker. If anyone has any questions or concerns see President Nancie or any board member.



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# Nancie's Notes



from Club Sgt. At Arms Bill McGaha

Sgt. Bill's "THIS DAY

IN HISTORY"



Jackson County was iced and snowed in Wednesday morning and I knew I didn't have a prayer of getting anywhere near Franklin! My absence gave President-elect Susie an opportunity to lead a meeting, an introduction to what she will be doing all of next year!

In spite of her bronchitis, I understand Susie did a great job! Thanks for filling in, Susie!

Congratulations to Rotarians Judy Chapman, our Club's Community Service Director and to Jim Bross. Both Judy and Jim were appointed by the Macon County Board of Commissioners to the County Economic Development Commission.

Don't forget our 5th week social next Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th at 5 p.m. at El Charro Restaurant on the Highlands Road. See you there!

# Club to Sponsor Student for RI International Study



Our club has decided to sponsor Sarah Dancy Blackburn, a resident of Macon County, who is a sophomore student at Rabun Gap Nacoochee School in Dillard. She is an honor student who is studying French and hopes to be accepted to study in France. Sarah is wanting to

study abroad to widen her life experiences and experience different cultures.

1939 The uranium atom is split for the first time using a cyclotron at Columbia University in New York City.

1944 In World War II, the Allies launch a offensive in central Italy with a hard-fought amphibious landing at Anzio Beach.

1959 Adolph Coors Co. introduces the seamless and recyclable aluminum can.

1973 The Supreme Court hands down a decision on Roe vs. Wade, legalizing abortion.

1997 The Senate confirms Madeleine Albright as the nations first female secretary of state.

# Clayton's Corner



More From Will Rogers ....

"I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts."

"This country has come to feel the same when Congress is in session as when a baby gets hold of a hammer."

"With Congress, every time they make a joke it's a law, and every time they make a law it's a joke."







Help celebrate January with Rotary Awareness Month by educating ourselves and fellow members on the history of Rotary, Rotary Programs, or even how to raise the awareness of the club's projects in the community and worldwide. Ask members to share personal experiences that they have had where Rotary has had a direct or indirect effect. All Rotarians have a story that can be educational or inspiring and the new year is a great opportunity to renew Rotary Inspiration throughout the year. For more information on Rotary Awareness Month see club president Nancie.

## 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 inter-



ested in getting points to use towards your Paul Harris Fellow goal.

# test at MEC (Rotarians arrive early 8a-830a)

25 Jan..Pre-Pets Seminar at A-B Tech 9a (Incoming PE's and PN's)

29 Jan..Fifth Week Social at El Charro Mexican Restaurant 5p

5 Feb...Kenia Alverez Panama Update

## NO REGULAR MEETING NEXT WEEK!



Our next 5th week social will be Wednesday January 29th 5pm at the new El Charro Res-

taurant on the Highlands Road beginning at 5pm. There will be no regular meeting that day. If you have a potential new member...bring um!

## Next board meeting..

Will be at Fat Buddies Tuesday February 11th at 5p with fellowship and 5:30p meeting start. If you need a makeup this is a great way to do so.



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## The Rotary Club of Franklin Officers and Board Members 2013-14

District Governor: Ronnie Thompson
Assistant District Governor: Jodie Cook

President: Nancie Wilson
President-elect: Susie Ledford
President-nominee: Sean Gibson
Secretary: Patsy Parker

Treasurer: Fairley Pollock

Vocational Service: Lenny Jordan

Community Service: Judy Chapman

Youth Service: Larry Hollifield

International Service: John Henning and Sandy Frazier

Foundations Chair: Jim Garner Membership Chair: Linda Harbuck Program Chair: Debbie Tallent

Public Relations Chair: Dick Pritts/Sean Gibson

Sgt. At Arms: Bill McGaha
Immediate Past President: Gary Dills
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





Rotary Service for 2/5..

Pledge, Prayer,

4 Way Test: Janet

Greene

Greeter: Amy Manshack

# 50 50 Drawing...

Sam Blasingame won the \$160 pot in today's drawing and donated the winnings to RI Foundation. A new

pot with new cards start at our next meeting so lets starting buying tickets to build the pot again.



No Regular Meeting Next Week. Come to 5th Week Social 1/29 at El Charro 5pm. Next Regular Meeting 2/5 w Kenia Alvarez (Sandy Frazier Host) See you at 12 noon Tartan Hall!