



Rotary Club of Franklin, North Carolina

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## OUR ROTARY YEAR IS DOING GREAT!

Article by Tom Coley

President Nancie Wilson called our Club Assembly meeting to order and we heard from various committee chairs as they reported on projects and goals to date as our 2013-2014 Rotary approaches the half way mark. Rotary Foundation Chair, Jim Garner, reported that the giving to the annual fund so far was at \$2200 and the Polio Plus balance was \$1023 with more donations not yet logged in. Treasurer, Fairly Pollock, reported that our finances were in good order and she thanked members for making prompt and timely payments of there dues. Community Service Chair Judy Chapman is encouraging Rotarians to help with the educational booth at Pumpkin Fest on 10/26 and volunteers are needed for this year's Project Panama trip.

President Nancie complimented Sean Gibson and Dick Pritts on the outstanding job they are doing publishing our Rotary Flywheel Newsletter every week. Club Administration Chair and President Elect, Susie Ledford, encouraged members to support our Rotary 4 Way Test sessions beginning this Friday, 8:00 am at the Macon Middle School with additional sessions scheduled for Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and Nov.15<sup>th</sup>. We were also reminded of the Rotary Foundation Banquet on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Renaissance Hotel in Asheville. You may go to the District 7670 website to sign up online.

From all reports, we are off to a great start. Let's keep up the good work!



## Four Way Test Program is underway and off to a great start!....but we need you!

The 4 - Way Test Program got off to a great start on Friday Morning October 25th at Macon Middle School as several Rotarians and new Rotarians helped with the efforts. (More pics from today in next week's Flywheel-stay tuned) Thanks to all who helped. Each additional program will start at 8:30 AM and end in approximately one -hour. President Elect Susie Ledford is requesting that the Rotarians that volunteer to be at the school by 8:00 am to help with the setup etc. Please see Susie to sign up. We need as many volunteers as possible to continue this very successful program for the seventh grade students. The next 4 -way tests at MCMS will be **Friday, Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, Tues. Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, Nov 15th.**







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## Our 2nd Fifth Week Social Next Wednesday!

A reminder again...our next fifth week social will be Wednesday October 30th 5pm at Outdoor 76 Downtown Franklin on Main Street, Franklin. It's a great way to fellowship with your club. There will be NO REGULAR MEETING on that day. Please plan to attend. The Franklin Young Professionals have been invited to attend and any member who has a prospective new member should bring um to our social event. There will be munchies and the club will furnish your first drink. A cash bar will also be available.



## Volunteers Needed for Pumpkin Fest 2013!

We still need volunteers for Saturday October 26th in downtown Franklin at Pumpkin Fest. This year the Rotary Club of Franklin will have an educational booth in

front of the Historical Museum that Saturday from 10a to 3p. If you would like to volunteer to help that day see Community Svc Chair Judy Chapman, PE Susie, President Nancie or PN Sean Gibson.

## Rotary Student of the Month

Susie Ledford introduced the Franklin Rotary Club's Student of the month, Oscar Hernandez.



Oscar is a third year student at Macon Early College. He is active in the Student Council, President of his class and co-founder and

President of the school's Sports Club. The letter nominating Oscar for the candidate expressed the following thoughts of the two teachers who nominated him:

"During his years at MEC, Oscar has taken on more responsibility in helping individuals .. as mentoring younger students and encouraging them to do better. Oscar exhibits truth in his relationships with people and also has a keen sense of fairness to others. He is outgoing which helps him build friendships easily and he keeps those friends because he seeks common ground that will benefit all concerned. Oscar has used the traits for succeeding in school and for the benefit of the student body and the community."

Oscar's parents were present to see him received his Franklin Rotary Club Student of the Month Award.

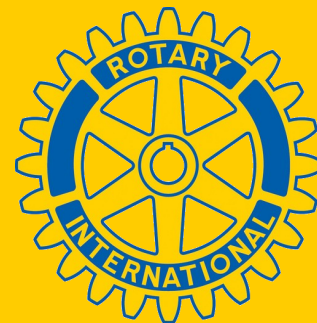


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## Nancie's Notes



Next week we'll have the second of our 5th Wednesday social events. This one will be at Outdoor 76 on Main Street, from 5-7 p.m. next Wednesday, Oct. 30. Rotarians attending will be given a token which entitles them to their first beverage "on the Club." I encourage any of our members who know of an individual who would make a good Rotarian to bring that person with them to this 5th Wednesday social. This will give those who might want to join our Club an opportunity to get to know some of our Club members and to learn a little about our Club and some of the activities in which we're involved. We've also invited the Young Professionals group to join with us. Perhaps some of them might want to join our Club, too!

Continuing our community visibility activities, several volunteers from our Club will be at Pumpkin Fest on Saturday, Oct. 26 in Downtown Franklin. Our table will be in front of the Historical Museum on Main Street. We'll be talking with those who stop by our table about the benefits of being a Rotarian, and of course we'll have Halloween candy for the kids.

Where are you on the road to becoming a Paul Harris Fellow? If you don't know, contact Club Foundation Chairman Jim Garner ([garner@wayah.com](mailto:garner@wayah.com)) to find out how close you are. The Club has some extra points to give which will boost you along toward achieving that goal, and Dennis Sanders has graciously donated his 2000+ points to help, too. We will recognize our Club's new Paul Harris Fellows at our Club's Christmas party which will be held on Thursday, December 12th at the Dillard House. I would like for our Club to be 100% Paul Harris Fellows by the end of my Rotary year on June 30, 2014!

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

Bill reported that 20 years ago today that there were 64 members in Franklin Rotary Club and from that number there are 15 who are current members of the club.

The Statue of Freedom is not as famous as the Statue of Liberty, but she is the crowning glory of a revered American symbol: the dome of the US Capitol. The 19 1/2-foot bronze Statue of Freedom by Thomas Crawford depicts a woman in flowing draperies clasping a stretched sword in her right hand. With her left hand she holds a thirteen striped shield of the United States, along with a laurel wreath of victory.

The dome on which she appears to be stone but is really cast iron painted to look like marble. Construction on the dome started in 1856 and continued for a decade, even during the Civil War. "If people see the Capitol going on," Abraham Lincoln said, "it is a sign that we intend the Union shall go on."

In 1993 the statue was temporarily removed for restoration. Preservation experts spent several months repairing cracks and corrosion. On October 23, 1993, with the aid of a helicopter, the Statue of Freedom soared to the top of the dome again, where she has remained ever since. In October 2013 the US Congress approved \$60 Million Dollars for repairs of dome of the Capitol.



## Let's Go See the Catamounts this Saturday 10/26!

We are doing another football Saturday get together this Saturday October 26th. If you are a new member or relatively new member we have several tickets at no charge for WCU versus Elon on 10/26. Rotarian Keith Keller will be hosting a

group to go to the game. Keith has six tickets to the game so Please see Keith or PN Sean Gibson if you'd like to attend now! It's a great way for new members to get to know your fellow Rotarians. Email Keith now at [kmkeller2002@yahoo.com](mailto:kmkeller2002@yahoo.com) or Sean at [seangbsn@gmail.com](mailto:seangbsn@gmail.com).

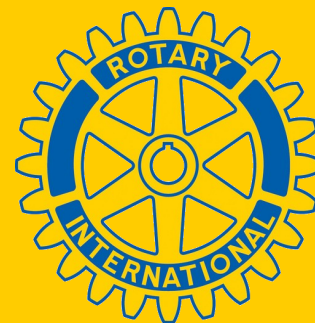




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## We are Distributing Wheelchairs!

IPDG Frank Dean invites you to participate in a wheelchair distribution in Bogota, Colombia, leaving on Tuesday, December 3 and returning on Monday, December 9th. Each person participating will be responsible for his/her expenses for the trip. If you are interested please contact IPDG Frank Dean at [dg2012.2013@frontier.com](mailto:dg2012.2013@frontier.com).



## Invitation to All Rotarians

Since 2005 a partnership has been maintained between the Club Rotario de Boquete in the Republic of Panama and Rotary clubs in Western North Carolina. Each year we have worked together on projects involving school renovations, medical clinics, and delivery of both school and medical supplies. In April, 2014 a team from our area will, once again, be headed for the western highlands of Panama.

The team of approximately 24 people will be made up of students from Franklin HS

Interact Club, area Rotarians, and members of the general community. The team will consist of medical personnel (8-12) and others that are willing and able to do physical labor such as painting, carpentry, landscaping, etc. etc. Team members must commit to 6 weeks of classroom training (1 night per week-3 hours per night) prior to departure. During those classes team members will study Spanish Language; the history, geography, culture, and political issues of Panama; as well as complete team building exercises. Each evening the team will share an evening meal prepared by other team members based on their research of Panamanian food dishes.

The journey will be 10 days in duration with one full day spent in Panama City visiting historical sites including the Panama Canal, several days in the Boquete area working in rural schools, and possibly several days in Bocas del Toro working at Tierra Oscura, a very remote indigenous school. Medical clinics will be conducted and repairs and renovations will be made to schools chosen by the Boquete club. Cost per individual is currently estimated to be between \$1500 and \$1700. Team members will be expected to participate in fund raising activities to both support the project as well as help with individual expenses.

For additional information: Contact Sandy Frazier at [sandliz222@frontier.com](mailto:sandliz222@frontier.com)



## Lets Stamp Out Polio for Good!

Polio Plus Chair Fred Berger gave an update on our Polio-Plus campaign with a little history on how this program got started with RI. It all started in the late 1970's and went to a worldwide program in 1981 to vaccinate our the children. In 2009 there were under 1600 polio cases and 2013 there are now less than 200. As of the October 9th meeting we are currently at \$326 in contributions toward our goal of \$1400. If you haven't done so already, please make your Polio Plus Contributions by December 1. See chair Fred Berger and make your contributions now. The Board elected to send out a invoice to all members to voluntarily donate. Thanks for all you do in Rotary Service!

To help with PolioPlus contribution efforts, there will be Rotary and Christmas-themed jewelry available in exchange for a donation to Rotary's End Polio Now campaign. Look for these items on display coming to the weekly meetings soon to make your gift-giving easier this holiday season.

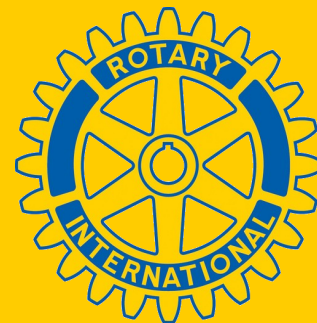


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### The Rotary Club of Franklin Officers and Board Members 2013-14

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

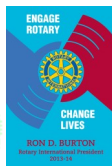
Program Chair: Debbie Tallent

Public Relations Chair: Dick Pritts/Sean Gibson

Sgt. At Arms: Bill McGaha

Immediate Past President: Gary Dills

*Thanks for all you do in service!*



**Rotary Service for  
Next Weekly Meeting  
on 11/6**

**Greeter: Greg Farrell**

**Prayer/Pledge/4 Way Test:  
Sean Gibson**

**If you are close..its a good time to make your  
Foundation Contribution!**

Folks, this year we plan on recognizing Paul Harris Fellows at our club Christmas Party December 12th. If you are close to becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, Plus 1, 2, and so-on, please see Club Chair Jim Garner and make your contribution now. Remember there is a foundation match so now's the time to contribute!

### 50 50 Drawing

PP Mike Norris pulled the winning number today and won the \$138 pot. A new set of cards and a new pot will start at the next weekly meeting. All members are encouraged to participate in our weekly drawing.



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

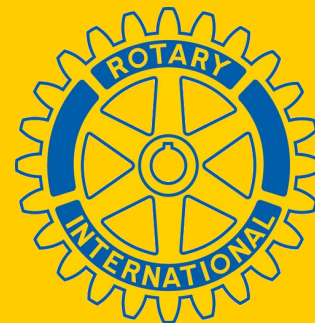
**Next Meeting 11/06: Jim Garner's program will cover all aspects of the Rotary International Foundation. Reminder no meeting next Wednesday 10/30. Please come to our fifth week social at Outdoor 76 at 5p. Bring a new potential member!!!!**





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DATE	TIME	EVENT NAME	LOCATION / COMMENTS
<b>October - Vocational Service Month</b>			
Wed Oct 30, 13	05:00P	5th Week Social	Outdoor 76-Downtown
<b>November - Rotary Foundation Month</b>			
Wed Nov 06, 13	12:00P	Rotary Foundation-Jim Garner & Gary Dills	Tartan Hall, First Presbyterian Church, 26 Church St., Franklin NC
Tue Nov 12, 13	05:30P	Board Meeting	Motor Company Grill
Wed Nov 13, 13	12:00P	WNC Radon Program with Phillip Gibson	Greg Farrell is host at Tartan Hall and Gerry Camelo is greeter
Wed Nov 20, 13	12:00P	Free Wheelchair Missions w/Jim Hardy & Duncan Wheale	Tartan Hall
Wed Nov 27, 13	12:00P	No Meeting-Happy Thanksgiving!	{enter event location here...}
<b>December - Family Month - Happy Holidays</b>			
Wed Dec 04, 13	12:00P	Judy Chapman has program-TBA	{enter event location here...}
Tue Dec 10, 13	05:30P	Board Meeting	TBA
Wed Dec 11, 13	12:00P	Children's Christmas Party	Tartan Hall
Thur Dec 12, 13	05:30P	Christmas Party	TBA
Wed Dec 18, 13	12:00P	Caroline's Perform	Clayton Ramsey is host at Tartan Hall
Wed Dec 25, 13	12:00P	No Meeting, Merry Christmas!	{enter event location here...}
<b>January - Rotary Awareness Month</b>			
Wed Jan 01, 14	12:00P	No Meeting, Happy New Year!!	{enter event location here...}
Wed Jan 08, 14	12:00P	Dr. Scott Philyaw/ Dir. of Mtn Heritage	Tartan Hall
Wed Jan 15, 14	12:00P	TBA	{enter event location here...}
Wed Jan 15, 14	12:00P	Long Time Members	{enter event location here...}
Wed Jan 22, 14	12:00P	Club Assembly	Tartan Hall, 1st. Presbyterian Church
Wed Jan 29, 14	05:00A	5th Week Social - No Meeting	El Charro Restaurant-Highlands Road

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