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"STANDING IN THE GAP"

Article by Tom Coley

Lenny Jordan introduced Jenny Golding, CEO of Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Care Center,

as our program speaker. Jenny's training is in the field of nursing, however, over the last four years, she has answered a calling to be involved in pregnancy crisis ministry. The Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Care Center (SMPCC) is a non-profit Christian organization dedicated to saving innocent life in the womb. SMPCC serves clients in Macon.

Jackson and the surrounding counties in Western North Carolina. Since their formation 13 years ago, they have logged more than 9654 total client contacts providing a wide range of services including pregnancy tests, ultra sound, parenting/life skill classes and post abortion healing for women and men. Their purpose is to educate, encourage, and empower women and men

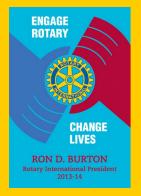
who find themselves in a situation of unplanned/unwanted pregnancies. Their goal is to provide facts and information in a compassionate, caring, non -judgmental manner so that clients can make the best choice possible.

They operate two offices. One is located in Franklin, the other in Cullowhee. They strive to offer free

services to those who cannot afford to pay. Jenny stated that because they are in a population area of less than 50,000, and their location is further away than 60 miles from an abortion clinic, they do not qualify for federal grants. Therefore they must rely solely on private funding from churches, foundations, organizations, and individuals. Although they have five paid staff members to provide service and operate the centers, they are constantly in need of volunteers from within the community. Also they provide tangible support such as baby items and pampers for mothers and infants and welcome donations of that kind.

Currently, they have a campaign underway to raise \$35,000 to replace an outdated 10 year old ultrasound machine in Cullowhee. Jenny shared what sounds like a fun opportunity to support this effort with a BBQ chicken dinner, dance and silent auction this Saturday, May 31st from 5-9 pm at the Bloemsma Barn, 1145 Patton Rd. in Franklin. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children. Music will be provided by The Remnants (a most excellent rock and roll band). For more information about SMPCC, visit www.SMPCC.org or www.SMPCCPartners.com.





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Several members of the Rotary Club of Franklin are in Croatia for the next two

weeks. Here are some pictures. Former exchange student Katrina Arsekic and husband Thomas are pictured with several of our members". Thanks to Fred Berger's wife



Lee for sending the pics!

#### Interact Raises Monies For Polio

Youth Services Director Larry Hollifield presented President Nancie with

the \$34
that the
FHS Interact
Club
raised
by doing
the
"Purple

Pinky"



at lunch time at the school cafeteria.

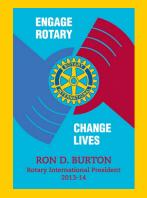


#### 2015-16 Prez. Shirt Presentation

District Governor Nominee Billi Black suggested that a large reason why the Franklin Rotary Clubs have succeeded locally as well as at the leadership role in the District was that they are continuously training the next level of leaders in the workings



of Rotary. She stated that President-Elect Susie Ledford was trained by President Nancie and that Sean Gibson will be in training for his term under incoming President Susie. Billi then presented Sean Gibson with a Rotary polo shirt with the insignia showing that he will be the 2015-2016 Franklin Rotary Club president.



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#### 2014 Franklin Rotary Club Membership Survey

40 Club members participated in the survey. (Not every respondent answered every question):

- 39 said they felt welcome in our Club; 1 did not feel welcome.
- 40 said they felt comfortable in sharing concerns with Club leaders.
- 38 said they participate in Club projects and activities; 2 said they did not participate due to lack of time.
- 27 were "very satisfied" with their level of participation in Club activities and projects, 12 were "satisfied"
- 39 felt Club dues were "reasonable," 36 felt weekly meetings were reasonable, 1 felt them "unreasonable":
- 36 found voluntary contributions to service projects reasonable, 1 found them "unreasonable"; 38 found voluntary contributions to the Rotary Foundation reasonable.
- 35 said the amount of Club's fellowship activities as the right amount, 4 said there were "too few" fellowship activities.
- 38 found the amount of Rotary information provided through the Club website and newsletter as adequate: 1 found it "excessive."
- 29 found the Club's newsletter and website as "interesting," 30 found them "useful," and 32 found them "informative."

#### Suggestions for change:

"The grilled chicken is terrible."

"Programs need to go back to 20 minutes."

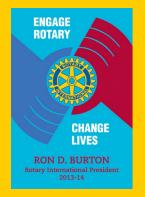
"Better meals."

"Need to publish where new members work..."

This is a general overview of the survey responses. Anyone who is interested in seeing the full summary of the survey responses can contact Club President Nancie Wilson via email (silverwolf999@frontier.com) and she will send you the entire four page survey summary or you can view the summary at next week's meeting. Thanks to all who participated in the survey..

#### Welcome New Rotarian Baby!!

Rotary Club of Franklin's Amy Manshack recently welcomed the birth of her brand new baby boy Nolan Scott Manshack who was born Wednesday May 21st weighing in at 5 pounds 3 ounces and 17 inches long. Let's congratulate Amy and her family for the wonderful new edition!!



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Some Tickets are coming in!

At the May 28th Meeting, ticket chair Mike Norris re-



ported that several tickets have already been turned in for our upcoming Roy Rickman Silent Auction and Fundraiser July 26th. Great work Rotarians!!keep it up...lets try to be at 100 turned in by the end of the first week of June! If you have not received your tickets yet your horsemen will be in contact with you. Remember as you turn in the tickets please turn in tickets and monies directly to your horsemen.

Auction Item —each Rotarian should be able to provide at least one item to the silent auction event and/or ask a retailer to donate an item that can be auctioned to raise additional dollars for scholarship fund. This year Susie has introduced custom cakes to be auctioned so members who have a spouse who makes a spectacular special cake have the ability to also add this to their list of possible auction items. Forms for auction items are in your ticket packet.

Program Ad Sales —each Rotarian was asked to buy an ad in the program or solicit an ad sale from a business that they use. See Sandy Frazier for copies of last year's program to use in making your sales pitch. Forms for sponsorship ads are in your ticket packet.

### **Upcoming Events**

4 June...New Members Program



18 June.. New Members Program

20-21 June. District Conference

**26 June**.. Installation Banquet (Bloemsma Barn)

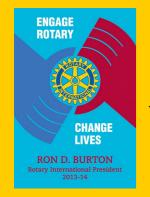
#### Silent Auction Items Coming In!



We are pleased to announce that the first few items for our upcoming silent auction have come in. We had

great success last year and need to plan on topping it this year. See Patsy on the silent auction. We will also 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.





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# Nancie's Notes



# Sgt. Bill's "THIS DAY IN HISTORY"





1754 Virginia Militia under Lt. Col. George Washington defeat French troops near Uniontown, Pennsylvania, in an opening skirmish of the French and Indian War.

1929 On with the Show, the first movie with color and sound, debuts in New York City.

1937 President Franklin D. Roosevelt pressed a button in Washington, D.C., signaling that the new Golden Gate Bridge in San Fransico was officially open to vehicular traffic. The Golden Gate Bridge was the longest suspension bridge in the world until the opening of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge in New York City in 1964.

# As announced in our meeting today, Gov. Ronnie wants to remind all Rotarians that Friday, May 30 is the last day to get the discounted rate at the Hyatt Regency in Greenville, SC, the site of our District conference next month. I hope all that are able will attend our District conference as our own Gary Bray will be installed as District Governor on Saturday evening and none of us should miss that event!

Many thanks to Cindy Rogers, Patsy Parker and their helper, Cindy's daughter, for tabulating the results of our recent membership survey. The results of that survey will be found elsewhere in this week's Flywheel. I'm delighted that 99.5% of those who participated in the survey found our Club to their liking and had very few, if any, suggestions for improvement. Meals were the main topic for improvement, but overall, survey participants found the Club "just right."

# Clayton's Corner Apolitical Aphorisms



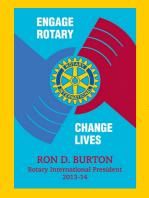
"If God wanted us to vote, he would have given us candidates." Jay Leno

"The problem with political jokes is they get elected." Aesop

"Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river." Nikita Khrushchev

"Why pay money to have your family tree traced; go into politics and your opponents will do it for you." *Author Un-known* 

"Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other." Oscar Ameringer



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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

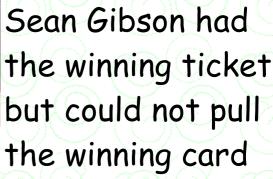


Rotary Service for 6/4.. Pledge, Prayer, 4 Way

Test: Vic Greene

Greeter: Tammy Farrell

# 50 50 Drawing!



from the deck. The \$68 pot rolls over until next week with 9 cards left.

Next Regular Meeting 6/4 with Linda Harbuck as the host. See you at Tartan Hall at Noon.