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John Grindstaff

Mountain Area Medical Airlift

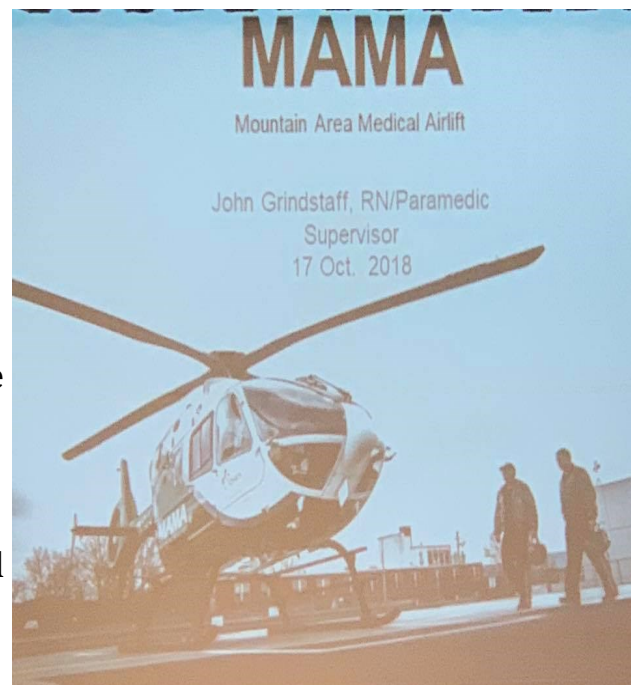
John Grindstaff came to give our Club an informative presentation on the Mountain Area Medical Airlift (MAMA) program with Mission Health System. The MAMA program began in 1986 – 32 years ago with their first helicopter MAMA I. In 2004 the program was expanded and a second helicopter was purchased and housed at Angel Medical Center. MAMA II serves counties and region west of Balsam, while MAMA I serves the eastern counties and region. Both helicopters also cross state lines into Georgia, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

MAMA II is an Airbus Model EC-135. The Airbus was the model chosen due its ability to fly in mountainous conditions and it was able to retrofitted to specifics required for medical flight.

The Air Medical Transport Team is comprised of: Communication Specialists: air traffic control and dispatch; Medical Control Physicians: 100% of care is from a written order consult with a physician using best practice protocols; Flight nurses; Flight paramedics; Neonatal transport team; and Metro Aviation – 8 pilots with military or civilian flight experience and 3 mechanics that ONLY work on the helicopters.

Recently, through generous donations from the Women in Philanthropy group of WNC, they received new Night Vision Goggles which enhances safety during night flying. These goggles amplify light 30,000 times. MAMA was the first hospital-based EMS helicopter service in the U.S. approved to use night vision goggles.

We appreciate Mr. Grindstaff attending our meeting and giving us a glimpse into the vital program that is MAMA, which has saved many lives in our community!





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Millie Honeycutt—A Polio Survivor

World Polio Day

Polio, once a disease which preyed on individuals of all ages, now is almost eradicated thanks to Rotary.

Mollie Hunnicutt, a polio survivor, spoke to us about her battle with polio as a child. She contracted polio in 1946 just 5 days after her brother was diagnosed with it. At that time hospitals were small and weren't setup to handle the large number of people filling the halls with polio symptoms. Hospitals were not prepared and became overwhelmed by the situation.

The disease caused Mollie to become paralyzed except for her ability to move only her arms. Her mother felt helpless not knowing how to help her daughter. Someone told her the best thing she could do was take Mollie to the ocean and exercise her 3 times a day. After several months of this therapy Mollie was able to crawl. Mollie was picked as the Polio Poster Child and through her and others efforts were able to raise money to build a hospital for Polio treatment named Variety.

Today Mollie is involved with Senior Games and the Atlanta Post-Polio association, which provides support, education, and fellowship for Polio survivors and their families.

Vic Perry mentioned that Rotary, in 1979, took on the project to eradicate polio. In 1988 Rotary teamed up with the World Health Organization. In 2000 550 million children were immunized. In 2006 polio only existed in 4 countries. Bill Gates Foundation, in 2009, teamed with Rotary to eradicate polio with combined contributions of \$550 million. To-day we're down to 3 countries where polio exists: Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria

See Vic Perry if you would like to contribute to eradicating the polio from the World.





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Volunteer Opportunities

Pack Those Backpacks!!!

Franklin Rotary will pack backpacks for CareNET the last Monday of every month from 4-6pm.

- November 26, 2018
- December 17, 2018 (third Monday)

Rotary Foundation

EREY Goal is still set—Please contribute TODAY :) - Goal is Every Rotarian in our Club give by **End of November!**

EVERY

ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR



Four-Way Test at MMS

Inspire MMS students in the things they think say and do and how to apply the Four-Way Test to every day situations they may encounter

- November 9, 2018
- November 16, 2018

The Joy of Giving

Rotary Club of Franklin presented a \$1,000 in support of Rise Against Hunger





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Packed Those Backpacks

After only 1 hour these Rotarians packed 400 backpacks on Monday, Nov. 22, 2018. These backpacks help with food security for Macon County children



Ashlie's Announcements

October 31st—NO Meeting

October 31st—Careers Building at FHS

November 3rd—Rise Against Hunger — 11:45-2:45

Student of the Month

Macon County Student of the Month- Miguel Alvarez-Chavez, Macon Early College



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Fred's Funnies Great Idea!



"My memory really sucks Mildred, so I changed my password to "incorrect." That way when I log in with the wrong password, the computer will tell me... "Your password is incorrect"

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President Elect – Rich Peoples

President Nominee – Patrick Betancourt

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Secretary – Patsy Parker

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Membership Committee Chair – Paul Garner

Foundation Chair – Mike Norris

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Vocational – John Hubsch

International – Tom Coley

Community Service – Lee Berger

Thanks for all you do in service!

Upcoming Events

October 31st—NO

MEETING: 5th Wednesday

October 31st—Careers Building at FHS

November 3rd—Rise Against Hunger — 11:45-2:45



ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

50 50 Drawing

1 Ticket —\$1.00

3 Tickets —\$2.00

5 Tickets —\$3.00

10 Tickets—\$5.00

25 Tickets—\$10.00



**No Meeting
10/31—5th
Wednesday**



**No-One
won
50/50!!!**

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