



Club Meeting

Farragut
Meets at Farragut Community
Center

Time: Wednesday at 12:15 PM

Birthdays

John Ralph Henry
June 6th
Jennifer Walker
June 21st

Years of Service

Peggy Mahan Wilson
05-25-2005
19 Years
Howard Fass
05-25-2016
8 Years
Mansour Hasan
05-30-2018
6 Years
Thomas Woodbery
06-15-2022
2 Years

Speakers

May 29th
[Phil Clodough](#)
Zoo of Knoxville

June 5th
[Club Assembly](#)

Zoo Knoxville



If I were to say Snake, many of us would panic. Our guest this week would not. Phillip B. Colclough has been a lifelong "herp folk". Phillip has studied the Timber Rattlesnake (*Crotalus horridus*) in the Great Smokey Mountains National Park and in the Pisgah National Forest in Western North Carolina. With a partnership with the University of Tennessee, Phillip surveyed Eastern Hellbenders (*Cryptobranchus alleganiensis*) in the Hiwassee River in Polk County. The Eastern Hellebenders is a large, aquatic salamander that occurs in cool, permanent streams. Cool and clear water is important because hellbenders breathe entirely through their skin, which contains numerous folds to increase oxygen absorption. Phillip is the Director of Animals, Conservation and Education at *Zoo Knoxville* and an outdoor enthusiast with a love of whitewater kayaking, long distance swimming, and camping. He shared his love of the outdoors with his wife of 26 years, Alyson and their two children, Myers and Audrey.

Proposed New Member

We are proposing Gregory L. Byrd for membership. Greg is a Senior Loan Officer with TN Bank and works locally in our community. Greg would like to be a member to enhance his activities in the community. Greg is sponsored by Terry Kerbs.

Good News Shared:

Webb Varsity Boys Lacrosse team won their State Championship Game against Christ Presbyterian Academy High School by a score of 14-5.

Becky Duncan announced Ridgedale School has been awarded a \$8k grant!

Brian Walker recognized Ralph Henry for Ralph's volunteer work at Mission of Hope and their Sporting Clay tournament.



President Val proudly announced her last meeting as President would be June 26th, followed by a celebration party in the evening at Water to Wine.

President Val Privett and President-Elect Teri Jo Fox attended the District Conference, our club won too many awards to count!

Keep on the calendar September 12th, for Peace, Love and Bourbon will be our big fundraiser. So please plan on attending.

Profoundly Changing the Final Journey



“Everyone has the ability to change the lives around you” and Sacred Ground Hospice House is a great place to spend the last days of life. With death being such a hard subject, Cindy spoke about the need of comfort for our loved ones, even if it’s as simple as music and human touch. Sacred Ground Hospice House has been open for only 32 months but has served over 500 people in their final days. The average stay is 9 days and SGHH has 32 nurses on staff and is open 24 hours a day. One nurse will assist 2-3 patients in total at a time, and they never limit visitors. Fun stories about a patient wanting hot dogs so he had over 20 and an 84 year old woman wanting to try Crab Legs for the first time only to be unimpressed! Sacred Ground Hospice House offers a sun room, a screened porch and outside benches offering views of the sunset. Meals, coffee and snacks are readily available and usually donated by the community. Sacred Ground Hospice House is a 501C3 organization so all the money collected goes to patient care. To help Sacred Ground Hospice House, look for upcoming Golf Tournaments, Raffles or you can donate direct. Currently, they are collecting money to beautify the outside of the building with new irrigation and landscape.

Thanks to Cindy for speaking to us and thank you for all the work you do for those needing Hospice.

Submitted by Brian Walker

Our Guest This Week

For our visitors, it seems it was bring your “kid” to the meeting day because Megan Belcher had her daughter Piper at the meeting and Denise Bash had her son Benji. Both were very welcomed by our group as we were so glad they could be in attendance.



Peggy Wilson had her husband Joe in attendance and Terry Kerbs re-introduced our newest applicant for membership, Greg Byrd from TNBank.



As a Rotarian and a supporter of polio eradication, Rotary's #1 priority, I wish to participate in this humanitarian endeavor as a member of the PolioPlus Society.

PolioPlus Society Membership Forms:

PDF ([Hand Fill](#)); PDF ([Fillable online](#))

Contact is [John Downs](#)

By Andrea Ludden



The primary goal of Rotary Youth Exchange is providing young people with opportunities to experience cultural exchange and to develop as leaders who promote peace and justice around the world. To achieve this, everyone involved in an exchange â€” including students and volunteers â€” must be open-minded, tolerant, and supportive of one another.

Click [HERE](#) to hear what past RYE students have to say about their experience after a few years, and what they are up to now.

A promotional poster for the Flatwater Tales 2024 Storytelling Festival. The top half features a photograph of three performers: a woman on the left, a man in the center wearing a baseball cap and a t-shirt that says "PLEASE DO NOT TOUCH EXHIBITS", and a man on the right wearing a hat and glasses. Above them is the "FLATWATER TALES" logo with a stylized sun and mountains. The bottom half of the poster has a dark blue background with white and yellow text. It includes the date "June 7-8", the word "STORYTELLING Festival" in large letters, and a yellow button that says "LEARN MORE".

FLATWATER TALES

2024 STORYTELLING Festival

June 7-8

Featuring
Charlotte Blake Alston
Bill Lepp
Josh Goforth

Oak Ridge, TN

Show Locations
Historic Grove Theater
Oak Ridge Public Library
Oak Ridge Senior Center

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