



April 22, 2021 CLUB BULLETIN

Speakers

April 22: F.C. Library and Bookmobile, courtesy of Denise Leeson

April 29: Sheri Hardee and Mary Beth Byerly, University of North Georgia, courtesy of Steven Kronenberg

May 6: Academies for Creative Education Tour

May 13: OPEN

May 20: Jocelyn Baker, CEO, Habitat for Humanity - North Central Georgia

May 27: ROTARY RAFFLE, c/o Jeremy Skinner

Birthdays

UPCOMING EVENTS:

If you have any upcoming events that you would like to see in the bulletin, please reach out to Stephanie Woody at sw Woody@forsythnews.com.

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THIS WEEK:

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Please email Mike Smith at mfs125@bellsouth.net if you are willing and able to help with our set up and serving at our in-person meeting.

This week in history: 1970

The first Earth Day

Earth Day, an event to increase public awareness of the world's environmental problems, is celebrated in the United States for the first time on April 22, 1970. Millions of Americans, including students from thousands of colleges and universities, participated in rallies, marches and educational programs across the country.

Earth Day was the brainchild of Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin, a staunch environmentalist who hoped to provide unity to the grassroots environmental movement and increase ecological awareness. The objective was to get a nationwide demonstration of concern for the environment so large that it would shake the political establishment out of its lethargy, Senator Nelson said, and, finally, force this issue permanently onto the national political agenda.

The 1962 publication of Rachel Carson's book *Silent Spring* about the effects of pesticides is often cited as the beginning of the modern environmental movement in the U.S. Sustainability, organic eating and the back-to-the-land movement continued to gain steam throughout the 1960s.

The first Earth Day indeed increased environmental awareness in America, and in July of 1970 the Environmental Protection Agency was established by special executive order to regulate and enforce national pollution legislation. Earth Day also led to the the passage of the Clean Water and



Club Socials Chair



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The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do...
Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Endangered Species Acts.

On April 22, 1990, the 20th anniversary of Earth Day, more than 200 million people in 141 countries participated in Earth Day celebrations. Senator Nelson was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Clinton. (He died in 2005.)

Earth Day has been celebrated on different days by different groups internationally. The United Nations officially celebrates it on the vernal equinox, which usually occurs about March 21.

Earth Day 2021, the 51st anniversary, is celebrated on April 22.

<https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/the-first-earth-day>

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1975 Tommy Bagwell	1986 Steve Jackson	1997 Bill Kehres	2008 Mike Palmer
1976 Terry Smith	1987 Tim LeBlanc	1998 Jeff Stephens	2009 Burton Blackmar
1977 Jackie Welch	1988 Denton Ashway	1999 John Weaver	2010 Shan Mize
1978 Larry Boling	1989 Bobby Thomas	2000 Jim Whitney	2011 Taylor Rice
1979 Zack Rice	1990 Jim Wheeler	2001 Jon McDaniel	2012 George Pirkle
1980 Roger Williams	1991 Rich Brown	2002 Keith Argo	2013 George Pirkle
1981 Tom Miller	1992 Tim Perry	2003 Rich Neville	2014 Mike Smith
1982 Gabe Dukas	1993 Bob McGuinn	2004 Melissa Durand	2015 Rusty Smith
1983 Eddie Stowe	1994 Robert Thuss	2005 Brandon Barron	2016 Donna Wade
1984 Dana Miles	1995 Brian Carpenter	2006 Chuck Welch	2017 Eric Duncan
1985 Mike Gravitt	1996 Charles Ammons	2007 Gabe Arango	2018 Ken Terry

Paul Harris Fellows

In 2016 our club became 100% Paul Harris Fellows!

1977 Tommy Bagwell	Penny McGuinn	Jim Whitney	Seth Thomas
1978 Jim French	Rafe Banks	Rex Abbott	Donna Wade
1986 Bob McGuinn	Rich Brown	2000 Nancy Abbott	Lucy Thuss
Larry Boling	Malvelene Vaughan	Melissa Durand	Matt Richmond
Bobby Thomas	1993 Stan Gault	Tim Perry	2006 Chuck Welch
1987 Gary Allen	1994 Mike Gravitt	2001 Mike Smith	2008 Dana Miles
Bill Carter	Shannon Mize	Bill Levensalor	Eric Duncan
1988 Jack Manton	Charles Welch	George Pirkle	Mike Palmer
Zack Rice	Brenda Thomas	2002 Burton Blackmar	John Heath
1991 Robert Thuss	Chantal Bagwell	2003 Lorne Twiner	2010 John Martin
Vic Shirley	Shaun McGuinn	2004 Bruce Hearn	2014 Linda Duncan
Lou Douglas	Brian Carpenter	Jack Godwin	D'Arcy Duncan Andrews

1992	Rafe Banks		Michael O'Bryan	2005	Jon McDaniel		Erin Duncan Topel
	Jack Heard	1996	Leslie McGuinn		Mike Montgomery	2015	Sam Siemon
	Jim Wheeler	1997	Denton Ashway		Joni Owens		Gabe Arango Murray Rice

Will Watt Fellows

1986	Tommy Bagwell	1999	Rex Abbott	2007	Donna Wade		Lorne Twiner
1990	Dick Neville	2001	Jon McDaniel	2008	Eric Duncan		Bill Guilfoil
	Bobby Thomas		Rich Brown	2009	Dana Miles		
	Lou Douglas		Bill Kehres	2010	John Hall		
1995	Brian Carpenter		Mike Gravitt	2012	George Pirkle		
	Bob McGuinn	2002	Malvelene Vaughan		Dennis Gravitt		
1998	Jim Whitney	2003	Mike Montgomery	2013	Jim Wheeler		

If you have a question about the bulletin/programs, or have a program of interest to the club, please contact Stephanie Woody at swoody@forsythnews.com or mobile 678-878-0516.