

Rotary



Club of Franklin Daybreak

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Club Leaders



Rick
VanGilder
President -
Elect



Dale B.
West
President -
Nominee
Interact
Club
Sponsor
Youth
Protection
Officer
Youth
Services
Chair



Keith E.
Bowers
Secretary



Angela Dills
Past
President
Treasurer



Billi J. Black
Membership
Chair



Dana
Murray
Sergeant-
at-Arms



Teresa
Murray
Sergeant-
at-Arms



Benjamin
Joseph
Rodriguez
iPast
President
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Rachel
Hoskins
Club Public
Image
Chair
Vicki

Changing of the guard



The Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak held their annual installation dinner on Tuesday, June 22. President Rick Van Gilder welcomed everyone to the event and thanked the outgoing board and the incoming board. Rick will begin his second year as president of the club on July 1.

The 2025 - 26 officers and board members will be: President Rick VanGilder, President-elect Dale West, President Nominee Audrea Shields-Burch, Secretary Katelyn VanderWoude, Treasurer Angela Dills, Administration Kristy Smith, Foundation Ben Rodriguez, Membership Billi Black, Public Image Clint Kendall, Service Luke Smith, Youth Vicki Lawrence, Sargent- at- Arms Dana & Teresa Murray, and Diversity, Equity & Inclusion - Fred Jones.

Many thanks to Luke and Kristy Smith for hosting the event at their home.

A year in review



Lawrence
Past
President
Club Public
Image
Chair
RYLA Point
of Contact



Luke H.
Smith
Community
Service
Chair



Kristy
Firkins
Smith
Club Fund
Raising
Chair
Club Admin
Chair



Fred Jones
Diversity
Equity &
Inclusion



Beverly
Mason
Club
PolioPlus
Chair



Rick Van Gilder reviews notes while his wife Randi enjoys talking to fellow Rotarians.

Rick Van Gilder, president of the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak, told club members that the past year exceeded his expectations. The club brought in five new members and completed a slew of community service projects including:

- Building a meditation garden at KidsPlace (this included a district grant)
- A workday at KidsPlace
- Providing funding for the Macon Bots Program
- Providing a grant to Owen High School for books that were lost during Hurricane Helene
- Providing a grant to a school in Honduras
- Providing shoes for foster children
- Providing back-to-school treats to teachers at Iotla Elementary School
- Planting a Peace Pole at Rotary Centennial Park
- Hosting a spaghetti fundraiser
- Hosting a very successful golf tournament.

Save the date



Tuesday, July 1 - Regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak. 7:30 a.m., Angel Medical Center.

Board retreat

The 2025-26 Rotary Board will meet July 9 at 5:30 p.m. at Angel Medical Center to plan for the coming year. The meeting is open to any club members who would like to attend.

Events

No Events found

Birthdays



[Gregory L. Mullins](#)
June 27th



[Benjamin Joseph Rodriguez](#)
July 1st



[Audrea Shields-Burch](#)
July 7th

Wedding Anniversaries



[Roger Plemens](#)
June 27th

[Keith E. Bowers](#)
July 4th



[Charles Sutton](#)
July 6th



[Gregory L. Mullins](#)
July 17th



Years of Service



[Billi J. Black](#)
23 Years



[Ronald F. Winecoff](#)
23 Years



[Rachel Hoskins](#)
17 Years



[Ronnie D. Beale](#)
11 Years