

# Rotary



# Club of Franklin Daybreak

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## Club Leaders



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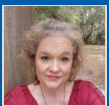
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Youth Services

## 2021- 2022 Year in Review

By Billi J. Black on Thursday, July 7, 2022



I wanted to thank everyone for the year we've had. Last year, about this time, I said that our club had consistently been generous with our treasure, and I urged us to be similarly generous with our time this year. And boy did we!

We fundraised! We re-started both of our fundraisers. Luke and Kristy Smith and Andy Hancock led our spaghetti dinner and we raised \$4300. Ed Shatley and Rick VanGilder spearheaded the golf tournament – with Billi Black rounding up sponsors – and raised \$9800. Thank you to Emily West for always offering her office at Wayah as a collection point. We wrote grants – receiving another \$8,000 in grant funds from our District and from the Nantahala Health Foundation. We held a CART fundraiser under the leadership of Dale West and raised more than \$2,000 for research to cure Alzheimer's. We held our Polio Plus dessert auction at Billi and Ron's house with Luke Smith serving as auctioneer, raising \$1750 to End Polio Now. Our fundraising generated almost \$26,000 that we used to Do Good in the World. Further, we recognized 7 of our members as Paul Harris Fellows or Paul Harris Fellow plus this year as well as Roger Plemens as a major donor. Thank you for your generosity!

We donated! We bought 66 pairs of shoes for local foster children and provided Kaylee's Closet with \$365 in gift cards to Shoe Sensations; thank you to Teresa Murray for her guidance of that project. New Century Scholars received scholarship money for laptops and textbooks. The Lighthouse Team received leadership training. We've supported SK828 and MVI's Do Good Things Club and the Interact Club.

We served! We wrapped shoes with the Lighthouse Team at Iotla Valley. We repaired the pavilion at the Greenway with the amazing generosity of Highlander Roofing and the Smiths and assistance from the Franklin High School Interactors. Chuck Sutton made sure that the tree trimmings went to good use, finding needy families who could use the wood for winter heat. We filled the bags for CareNet and met monthly with the Noon club to pack backpacks; thank you to Dana Murray, one of our steadfast volunteers. With Beverly Mason's leadership, we brought dinner to Teen Challenge of the Smokies. Andy and I joined the Sylva club to pack 10,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger. SERV provided leadership training to local high school students with Vicki

Chair



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Youth  
Services  
Chair



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Club Public  
Image  
Chair



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Assistant  
Governor

Lawrence helping plan the big event.

We spread the good word of Rotary! We met with the Lighthouse Team at Iotla Valley to talk about the 4-Way test. We shared Rotary with the Macon County Professionals. Thank you to Ben Rodriguez for coordinating. We welcomed Tammy Hernandez as a new member and love her enthusiasm and contributions already. Weekly newsletters that Rachel Hoskins tirelessly created and emailed kept all of us informed.

We joined in fellowship for Rotary Walks, the Christmas party, and fifth Tuesdays socials at Jack the Dipper courtesy of Mike Martone and Winding Stair Farm courtesy of Greg Mullins. Fred Jones bribed us to share our stories of romance on Valentine's Day and to share our weekly joys and tribulations with our Happy Dollars.

We have networked, bringing work to our fellow Rotarians. Our weekly meetings – where we can always rely on Charles Thun and Dave Jones and Ron Winecoff to help set everything up and put everything away – our weekly meetings helped members be informed of opportunities and challenges in our community.

So, thank you! Thank you to all of our members who each contribute in their own way and help us Serve to Change Lives.

## Events

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## Birthdays



[Charles E. Thun Jr.](#)  
July 15th



[Aaron Garrett](#)  
August 6th

## Wedding Anniversaries



[Aaron Garrett](#)  
July 11th

## Years of Service



[Charles Sutton](#)  
24 Years



[Roger Plemens](#)  
24 Years



[Teresa Murray](#)  
7 Years



[Ward Collins](#)  
4 Years



[Gregory L. Mullins](#)  
1 Year