

Rotary



Club of Franklin Daybreak

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Skate park opens in Franklin

By Keith E. Bowers on Monday, August 28, 2023



Tim Shaw of Sk828 visited Rotary Club of Franklin-Daybreak on 8/22/23 to discuss the progress being made on the new Skateboard park in Franklin. "We needed a safe place for kids to skate in the community to keep them off the streets" said Shaw of his involvement. This has been a passion project for the Macon County Schools employee, and has seen many attempts to get this project off the ground for over 20 years. Through his and his group (Sk828 Skatepark Project) persistence, and support from the Region A Foundation, the town of Franklin is now squarely behind the project. County Commissioners, and Town Officials worked hard to secure the Whitmire Property at 15 First Street in Franklin as the site of the new 6000 square foot concrete skatepark. Through generous donations and a groundswell of support, the park had its soft opening and is inviting skaters (skateboarders, roller skaters, and scooter riders) of all levels to come to check it out. Tim also spoke about additional plans for the skate park, with the desire from the town to add an inclusive playground to attract even more participants. Plans include adding picnic tables with charging stations, sun shades, brick benches, and brick columns at the entrance. These brick features will be used to thank the many sponsors of the skate park. If you are interested in donating to the cause, and having your name or organization printed on one of these bricks, please contact sk828franklin.org or follow the group on Facebook at [@SK828Franklin](https://www.facebook.com/SK828Franklin). We are so thankful that Tim Shaw stopped by our club and let us know of the great progress being made in our town.

Teacher treats: Daybreak Rotary collects gifts for back to school bags

Thursday, August 17, 2023



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The Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak is collecting supplies for the Staff of Iotla Valley Elementary School as a welcome back gift bag in partnership with their Student Lighthouse Team, which we as a club support. Our work on this will allow the students to have their first service project of the new school year. Please see below for important dates -

- Our Club will be collecting the supplies for this project and also packing the gift bags at our **Tuesday, Sept. 5** meeting.
- Due to the packing meeting being the day after Labor Day, we are shooting to collect all of the supplies ahead of time and are asking that you drop those off at Wayah Insurance (295 East Palmer Street) for Emily West to store. Please do this by **Friday, Sept. 1, especially if you will not be at the following meeting.**
- The packed bags will then be delivered to Iotla Valley where the Student Lighthouse Team / RotaKids will be delivered to all staff of the school.
- Here is the link to the Sign Up Genius, where you can choose which item you would like to contribute to the bag. We can use multiples of things if you wish to sign up and something is already full - just let Emily know by email or you can make a cash donation toward purchasing items.
- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA8A82BA5FFC61-welcome>

Also, special thanks to Chick-Fil-A who is donating a gift card for a meal for each bag!

Upcoming meeting

Monday, August 28, 2023

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The Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak will meet Tuesday, Aug. 15 , at 7:30 a.m., at Angel Medical Center cafeteria.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86712037998?pwd=NlVYb0g2SmhCUWp3cHh3VnkzTDlvZz09>

Upcoming events:

Spaghetti Dinner - Sept. 11 @ First United Methodist Church

Dessert Auction - Oct. 10

Events

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Birthdays



[Angela Dills](#)
August 29th



[Ronnie D. Beale](#)
September 10th



[Rachel Hoskins](#)
September 13th



[Teresa Murray](#)
September 16th



[Robert W. Cook III](#)
September 20th



[Keith E. Bowers](#)
September 21st

Wedding Anniversaries



[Edward R. Shatley](#)
September 2nd



[Robert W. Cook III](#)
September 19th



[Luke H. Smith](#)
September 24th



[Kristy Firkins Smith](#)
September 24th

Years of Service



[Roger Plemens](#)
25 Years



[Charles Sutton](#)
25 Years

[Teresa Murray](#)
8 Years

[Ward Collins](#)
5 Years



[Gregory L. Mullins](#)
2 Years

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0 Years



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