

Rotary



Club of Franklin Daybreak

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Franklin Daybreak supports robotics team



The Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak met with members of the Macon Bots team to present a \$3,600 check. The funds will be used to support a the robotics team and STEM program. Picture are (left to right front row): Chase Plank (FHS), Frederick Bengtson (FHS), Joseph Hammaker (MEC), Parker Wilken (private), Quinnlyn Siple (MMS), Aiva Ashe (MEC), Olivia Sheridan (MMS). Back Row: Lucas McConnell (FHS), Josiah Green (FHS), Billi Black (Rotarian), Maya Partain (MMS), Elizabeth Cook (FHS), Ben Rodriguez (President of the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak) Evan Roush (homeschool), Mason Schulte (FHS), Lucas Wright (MMS), Ethan Loftin (MMS). Not pictured: Kairi Cicman (MEC), Eleanor Kessler (MMS), Hailey Brown (MEC), Jennifer Love (Coach/STEM Coordinator), Bryan Wilkinson (STEM Educator MMS), Bob Vitale (community mentor). "When the community supports a fundraiser sponsored by the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak, they are supporting programs such as this," said Rodriguez. "We're excited to support these outstanding students and look forward to watching them compete in various STEM programs."

Macon Commissioner Josh Young talks about the county's future

Macon County Commissioner Josh Young stopped by the Rotary Club of Franklin-Daybreak on 2.13.24 to discuss upcoming county budget proposals and Capital Investment Plans. Mr. Young is currently the County Commissioner Liaison to Macon County Schools and Macon County Parks and Recreation, and he brought up many ideas that could directly and positively impact those areas of life in Macon County.

Mr. Young spoke about proposals to help bring about innovation to the Robert C. Carpenter Community Building, such as adding new Pickleball and tennis courts, as well as a sheltered changing area for the High School Tennis Team to be able to utilize during high school matches. Mr. Young spoke about the desire to bring a fully ADA compliant playground for local children to use in town, as well as utilizing the local landscape to create an amphitheater to host local performances. Mr. Young reminisced of days long gone where children spent the majority of their free time outdoors, and stated that he'd like these projects at the community building to help bring about more outdoor opportunities for local children.

Mr. Young highlighted the great job that past commissioners have done in building up a large reserve of funding ready to be used on these types of projects, and spoke about how he could envision using these funds proactively to help better equip our county for the future.

The Rotary Club of Franklin-Daybreak enjoyed the opportunity to meet with one of their local county commissioners, and are grateful for the opportunity to ask questions of our local elected representative.





[Keith E. Bowers](#)
Club Public
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Meetings & Events

Upcoming meetings & events

We've got some exciting Rotary Programs scheduled for the next month and we'd love to see your faces. Remember we meet at 7:30 a.m. at the Angel Medical Center Cafeteria.

Rise Against Hunger: 9 a.m., March 23, Sylva First United Methodist Church. Our club donated \$500 toward this project. Join the Sylva club in packing meals during this event. This a Rotary International Project!
Industrial Park Feb 13 at 3:30

Save the Date: District Conference April 19-20, Greenville, SC

Events

No Events found

Birthdays



[Dave Jones](#)
March 8th

Wedding Anniversaries

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Years of Service



[Roger Plemens](#)
26 Years



[Charles Sutton](#)
26 Years



[Teresa Murray](#)
9 Years



[Ward Collins](#)
6 Years



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3 Years



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1 Year



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1 Year