

# Rotary



## Club of Franklin Daybreak

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### Bailey talks about Nantahala Health Foundation



Lori Bailey, Executive Director of the Nantahala Health Foundation presented to the Rotary Club of Franklin-Daybreak on the morning of March 19. Nantahala Health Foundation, a public 501(c)3 nonprofit, is charged with improving the health, wellness and overall quality of life for those living in the westernmost region of North Carolina, including Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties, as well as the Qualla Boundary. Ms. Bailey took time to outline the Social Determinants of Health, including such categories as: access to quality education, the actual built environment that the individual lives in, the economic stability of the individual, and their access to quality healthcare. In the past, the Foundation focused on providing grants to address factors such as poverty, quality of housing, transportation, hometown revitalization (Murphy, NC and Dillsboro, NC) and Covid-19 Recovery. This year the foundation is focused on "Helping kids where they live and learn". The focus will be on school-aged - young adulthood and fostering collaboration among the various systems that influence young people. This focus is especially important for those youth deemed at-risk. Nantahala Health Foundation provides Grant-writing training for outside organizations, and helps to distribute grants to groups/activities targeted at addressing the drivers of health. The foundation also operates a leadership development program known as Now and Next in order to engage the next generation of leaders from underrepresented groups. Overall, the Nantahala Health foundation is seeking engagement with the public to connect people together to inform priorities, grantmaking, capacity building, and financial support for those striving to make a difference in the health of our westernmost counties. We sincerely appreciate Ms. Bailey taking time out of her busy schedule to inform our club of this worthy mission. If you are interested in learning more, please visit: <https://nantahalahealthfoundation.org/>

### Upcoming 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. Can't join us in person â€" zoom. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86712037998>**

3/26 -Program: Colleen Strickland and Josh Brooks will talk about Macon County Schools CTE program  
4/16 - SOCIAL at 5:30 pm anat Outdoor 76. No morning meeting.

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

**May 4** - Rotary Golf Tournament, Franklin Golf Course



[Keith E. Bowers](#)  
Club Public Image Chair

## Get into the swing of things!

Now is the time to highlight May 4 on your calendar. It's the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak's annual golf tourney. This is our club's largest fundraiser of the year so we need all hands on deck. Interested in buying or selling a T-sign? Talk to Billi Black.

**Rotary**

Club of Franklin-Daybreak

**2024 Annual Golf Tournament**

Help Rotary support Macon County children

**Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>**

Yes! I want to support Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak charities!  
Sign me up to be a sponsor!  
Name of business: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsorship: \$100.00** (will include a T sign on the course)

Interested in being a MAJOR SPONSOR?  
Please contact Ben Rodriguez at benrod@franklinrotary.com  
or Luke Smith at luke@franklinrotary.com

Make checks payable to: Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak, PO Box 907, Franklin, NC 28744  
For partnership information go to the Club's Website and look at item #36A&B 2024

## New member posting

This is the first posting for Justin Hall, who has applied for membership in the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak. Justin is a well known face to our club and has previously served with the Rotary Club of Franklin. Please make Justin feel welcome and if you have any questions about his membership, speak with a member of the board.

### Events

No Events found

### Birthdays



[Fred Jones](#)  
March 22nd



[Helen Gentry](#)  
March 24th



[Beverly Mason](#)  
March 28th



[Rick VanGilder](#)  
March 31st



[Emily West](#)  
April 10th



[Kristy Firkins Smith](#)  
April 14th



[Edward R. Shatley](#)  
April 19th

### 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



[Gregory L. Mullins](#)  
3 Years



[Keith E. Bowers](#)  
1 Year



[Robert W. Cook](#)  
1 Year