

# Rotary



# Club of Franklin Daybreak

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## Club Leaders



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**Above: Daybreak President Ben Rodriguez presents Alisa Ashe and Dr. Jennifer Brown with a certificate of appreciation. A book with their names in it will be donated to East Franklin Library.**

## **KidsPlace talks about new space, services to children**

Kids Place Executive Director Alisa Ashe and Pediatrician Dr. Jennifer Brown visited the Rotary Club of Franklin-Daybreak on the morning of May 14 to speak about the incredible program that they are a part of.

Kids Place is a private, non-profit agency that provides services for abused children and teenagers of Macon County. Kids Place serves as the coordinator for the many agencies that are involved in reported cases of abuse, including: the Department of Social Services, Law Enforcement, the District Attorney's Office, Mental Health services, and medical services. Kids Place is able to do this through the many services that they are able to offer on site, such as: Forensic Interviews, Medical Evaluations, Advocacy, Trauma-Focused Therapy, and Prevention Education and Training. Kids Place offers a non-threatening place for child abuse victims and their families to access these services.

Kids Place started 33 years ago in Franklin through a discussion among prayer group members and a \$6000 donation. Through the years, Kids Place has helped thousands of children in Macon County through the growth of this program.

When the Department of Social Services or local law enforcement are presented with evidence of child abuse or child sexual abuse, Kids Place is able to step in and assist the child and family. Kids Place has a child advocate who works with the families to determine their needs, and these needs can extend into issues beyond the abuse, such as food insecurity, transportation needs, insurance issues, and non-treated medical concerns. Kids Place offers mental health therapy utilizing a Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral therapeutic approach. And Kids Place works with the courts to be able to provide forensic interviews and medical assessments as well. Their work helps DSS decide where a child is placed, and helps prosecutors decide what charges should be filed. They treat the entire child holistically, rather than just focusing on the part that was abused.

Kids Place has grown over the years, and has now outgrown their facility on Main Street, necessitating a move to a new facility that could accommodate their needs. A new building has been purchased, and Kids Place hopes to be able to complete renovations and move in within the summer.

As a non-profit agency, Kids Place depends on the support of the community. They are currently seeking monetary donations to assist with the cost of the new facility, and are always seeking donations in the form of snacks/food and drinks for children, and other items to help the facility operate, gift cards to Grocery Stores, WalMart, Staples, and Dollar General. These donations go a very long way in making this incredible program a success. If you are interested in learning more, please consider a donation and visit:

<https://kidsplacecac.org/what-you-can-do/>

## 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? Zoom.

**New Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88357226431?pwd=VCs1M1JUQU5jN21aMlBYSlFDd29QZz09>

**Save the date: June 25** Installation Dinner. No morning meeting

### Service Schedule

#### May 21st

Program - Fred Jones; Greeter - Dale West; 50/50 - Greg Mullins; Invocation - Dave Jones

#### May 28th - NO MEETING

#### June 4th

Program - Rick VanGilder; Greeter - Rachel Hoskins; 50/50 - Angela Dills; Invocation - Fred Jones

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### Events

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### Birthdays



[Bryson A Burt](#)  
June 14th

### Wedding Anniversaries



[Stephanie Allen](#)  
May 30th



[Benjamin Joseph Rodriguez](#)  
June 4th



[Beverly Mason](#)  
June 4th



[Ronnie D. Beale](#)  
June 14th

### 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