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A Note from **President Fred Deaton**

Fellow Rotarians, I sincerely hope everyone is well and safe as we continue this pandemic journey. As you may recall, at this month's board meeting discussion was held about alternative meeting formats, as well as our path and guidelines for resumption of in-person meetings.



Pres. Fred

We have obtained from the District, a Zoom Pro License. Donna Hecker is our virtual meeting coordinator with Diane Dehoney and Alex Fitzgerald serving as co-hosts. Tentatively, a meeting for June 10 at noon is scheduled. A link will be sent. Also, for anyone without internet access there is an option to call into the meeting. This offers an innovative and exciting avenue for connecting. We hope that the entire membership of Frankfort Rotary will be able to participate.

Board of Directors Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting by Zoom will be Wednesday, June 17 at noon.

Frankfort Rotary Youth Fund

The Youth Fund board greatly appreciates the generous contributions from fellow Rotarians and community members to the youth scholarship fund. In spite of the cancellation of our golf scramble. We have collected about half of the funds necessary to cover this year's scholarships. If you haven't had an opportunity to donate yet, please consider making a contribution.

We also want to thank the club's foundation and board of directors for their successful effort to receive another vocational scholarship grant from the district. For the second year in a row, this money will support the training and education of a local student pursuing a career in a vocational profession.

Primary Election Information

The State Board of Elections is mailing postcards to all registered voters outlining the process of voting for the Primary election.

An online portal at <u>GoVoteKy.com</u> offers voters a safe, efficient and streamlined process to apply for a mail-in ballot. (Franklin Co. voters who are unable to access the portal may call the clerk's office at (502) 875-8704 for assistance in applying for a ballot.) The county clerk's office will send the ballot, and the voter will return it in a postage-paid envelope. Locally, ballots may also be dropped off at the county clerk's office at 315 West Main, or at the election office at 317 West Second Street.

In-person voting for at-risk citizens, by appointment only, will be available June 1-5,

from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. To reserve a space call the Clerk's office at (502) 875-8704. The election office is located at 317 West Second Street, the former Frankfort Plant Board office.

Additional in-person voting opportunities located at 317 West Second Street will be held Monday-Friday, June 8-19 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Saturdays, June 13 and June 20 from 9:00 a.m.-noon; Monday, June 22 from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Election Day, June 23 from 6 a.m.-6 p.m.

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Rotary seeks community support for youth scholarships

Over the past 32 years Frankfort Rotary's Youth Fund has awarded nearly \$300,000 to area graduates to help them continue their training and education. Rotarians realize that in order for local youth to live up to their economic potential as well as to ensure a healthy economy, most students need some kind



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of training or education beyond high school. For some students that training represents a two- or four-year degree from an accredited college or university while for others it's an industry certification in a trade such as plumbing, electricity, automotive or welding. Regardless of what path they take, most of these post-secondary goals have a monetary cost.

Last year, with the help of our partners at the Frankfort Plant Board and Burch Court Dental, we were able to award 10 scholarships totaling \$17,000 to graduates of Frankfort High, Franklin County, Western Hills, the Franklin

County Career and Technical Center, and Thorn Hill Learning Center. We're pleased to announce a new scholarship this year from the family of Col. Edward T. Davis, a devoted member of the Frankfort Rotary Club.

The 2019 recipients represented aspiring doctors, nurses, medical technicians, welders, graphic designers, teachers and engineers. Several indicated they would like to return to this area when their training and education was finished. This was music to our ears since one of our highest priorities is building Frankfort's future workforce!

Unfortunately, our primary source of revenue for these scholarships has been our annual golf scramble, which was canceled this year due to COVID-19. Despite the elimination of our major fundraiser, the Rotary Youth Board and our partners remain committed to continue these scholarships at a minimum of last year's level. Frankly, given the disappointments and hardships already suffered by this year's seniors, we feel they deserve at least the same level of support as previous classes.

Because of these unprecedented circumstances, this year we are reaching out to the wider community for donations to our scholarship fund. You can donate at our website www.frankfortrotaryyouthfund.org or by mailing your check to Frankfort Rotary Youth Fund, P.O. Box 1189, Frankfort, KY 40602. Donors will be recognized on our website as well as in The State Journal unless they request otherwise.

If you know of a deserving graduate from one of our local high schools, please encourage them to submit an application which are available from their school's guidance department or web page. Because of the pandemic, we have extended the deadline for scholarship applications to June 1, 2020.

Thank you. Your support will help insure the continuation of a critical resource during tough times.

Rotarian Bill Scott chairs the Frankfort Rotary Youth Fund. He can be reached at willsco90@gmail.com.