



Soundings Goes Viral - July 8, 2020

By Robert E. Eberly Jr.

This Week's Meeting

This week's meeting will mark the inauguration of Dean Roberts' year as President of the Rotary Club of Hilton Head Island. President Dean will preside over the installation of the Club's incoming Board of Directors. He will also review the current challenges facing Rotary and our Club and will discuss approaches for addressing them. As President Dean has noted:

Rotary isn't canceled it's just different!

As before, this week's meeting will be conducted via ZOOM. Contact Joe Chappell if you have any trouble connecting to the meeting.

We continue to record our meetings and post them on a YouTube channel so that members have an option for participating in weekly meetings. The link to view them is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbuqKbf1SSKDO1DhtwKxmqO/featured>

Future Weekly Meetings

Our July 16 meeting will feature a visit by our District Governor, Pauline Levesque. She will join us by ZOOM to discuss District 7770 concerns and priorities for the coming year.

Club News

Club Quarantini: Our end of year Rotary party was held at Club Quarantini, our virtual ZOOM beach club, where our members gathered to enjoy cocktails, appetizers and fellowship while respecting social distancing! It was a great way to close out Robert Eberly III's year as President. Earlier in the day, at our weekly ZOOM meeting, President Robert reviewed the Club's accomplishments and challenges during the year. Prior to the meeting he had an opportunity to visit with some of his Board members through drive bys, as the photos below illustrate:



During the meeting President Robert announced the winners of this year's President's Award and the Rotarian of the year. Congratulations to **Ron Farsetti** on receiving the **President's Award**. Among Ron's many contributions to our Club was his ingenuity in creating a way our Club could continue to help those in need while maintaining social distancing. He initiated the Deep Well Fundraiser through which he and Sharon inspired Club members and non Rotarians alike to contribute. The program raised \$32,723 for Deep Well in just one month!

Club Meeting

Hilton Head Island Meets at Sea Pines Country Club
30 Governors Rd
Hilton Head Island, SC 29928
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Speakers

July 09, 2020
[Dean Roberts](#), President

July 16, 2020
[DG Pauline Levesque](#)

Events

No Events found

Birthdays

- Brenda Dooley July 8th
- Joseph Chappell July 14th
- Nicholas E. Mihelic July 25th
- Philip L. Anzalone July 26th
- John L. Wilson July 27th
- John H. Lundin July 30th
- David A. Crespan August 1st
- Bernard M Riedel August 6th

Wedding Anniversaries

- James R. Hughes July 13th
- R. Dean Roberts July 14th
- Bernard M Riedel July 16th
- Michael L. M. Jordan July 19th
- Douglas Fletcher July 31st
- Larry R. Brown August 3rd
- Brian R. Stertzer August 4th
- Mark N. June August 6th

Years of Service

- Tricia B. Lynch 08-07-2014 6 Years
- Dawoud O. Stevenson 08-04-2016 4 Years

Club Leaders



Ronald A. Farsetti
Fund Raising Director



R. Dean Roberts
President



The **Rotarian of the Year** award was presented to **Joan Simpson Player**. President Robert acknowledged Joan for stepping up mid-year to fill a key Board position, for volunteering for various tasks including (with, as she emphasized, an assist from Joe Chappell) keeping our website up-to-date, making sure our Club's news was included in the District newsletter, and participating in our Club's service projects. Joan also provided invaluable counsel and advice to President Robert during the year and put service above self by acting as an intermediary, advocate and supporter of our Club and its members. As President Robert noted, Joan always approached the task at hand with the Four Way Test as her guide. Heartfelt thanks to you, Joan, truly our Rotarian of the year!



















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Our unique gathering at Club Quarantine featured a Best Beach Attire prize and a game of virtual Charades. Judge Linda Neff selected Bob and Marcia Metzger as co-winners for Best Beach costume, and Judge Joan Simpson Player selected Ron Farsetti as the Charades winner. His theme was The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly. Bernie Riedel ran a close second with his Tiger Woods impression. Terri Brashears figured out how to do Penny Lane, Susan Tirard portrayed Cher, Dean Roberts was Stand By Me, Don Brashears did Magic Johnson, Mark Groesbeck performed Back to the Future, and Larry Sanders was assigned The Graduate but was terrific doing the Chicken Dance! Speaking of chicken, Larry Sanders's recipe for chicken wings is to die for!



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-  **Joan Simpson Player**
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-  **Clyde Dickey**
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-  **James G. Haley**
Vocational Service Chair
-  **Teresa M. Brashears**
Youth Services Chair
-  **Robert E. Eberly III**
IPast President
-  **Linda Neff**
Club Executive Secretary
-  **Dot Jeger**
Assistant Governor

As part of the festivities, a Rotary Club Cocktails and Appetizers Recipe Book was compiled and is available on our website. President Robert noted that with **Mark Groesbeck** (who joined the party via ZOOM from Oman) clean shaven, the Award for Best Beard clearly would have gone to **Joe Player** for his impression of Grizzly Adams! Holding a virtual beach party to end our club year was certainly unusual, but a good time was most definitely had by all who attended! Kudos to **Scott Hamlin** and all who were involved in putting it together.

In other Club news, on Monday, July 6, our Club was proud to sponsor the HHSO SoundWaves Streaming Live concert ♦Request Roulette with Michael Braz. ♦ Michael was brilliant as usual, with a solid assist from Club member **Mario Incorvaia**. Unlike actual roulette, everyone was a winner, and the Club enjoyed some invaluable publicity.

Finally, thanks to **Ron Farsetti**, our Club has an opportunity to work with the town in creating and placing signs around the island to remind residents and visitors to wear masks and socially distance. Our Club logo will appear on the signs as a sponsor, and we will be responsible for designing and installing them at strategic locations along bike paths and other high pedestrian traffic areas. More information, including sign up opportunities, will be forthcoming in the very near future.

Virtual Happy Dollars

Robert Eberly III is incredibly happy to be a Past President of the Rotary Club of Hilton Head Island. He ♦s proud to contribute fifty two virtual Happy Dollars, one for each week of his year as President.

Bob Eberly Jr., the new Editor of the Soundings, is not just happy, but thrilled that Joan Simpson Player, who will continue to post our newsletter on our website, is the digital wizard that he most certainly is not! He ♦s pleased to match his son ♦s contribution ♦one Happy Dollar for each issue of the soundings for the coming year.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU

All of our Club members join President Dean in thanking **Linda Neff** for her sixteen years of service to our Club as Editor of the Soundings. Linda didn ♦t simply edit the newsletter. She also wrote many of the articles, worked with the printer to insure a visually pleasing document and then picked up the finished newsletters and delivered them to the Sea Pines Country Club each week for our meetings. More recently, she converted the Soundings to a format that could be emailed to our members. Many kudos, Linda, for a job very well done! Linda wishes everyone to know that she is continuing to serve our Club as Executive Secretary.



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Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Rotary Opens Opportunities