

# Rotary



## Club of Hilton Head Island

### Soundings Goes Virtual - May 27, 2021



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#### **This Week's Meeting**

This week's ZOOM/in-person meeting will feature Tallulah Trice, Director of Beaufort County Animal Services and Control. Beaufort County Animal Services' mission is to promote responsible domestic pet/livestock ownership, prevent the spread of animal borne disease, and protect the public by seizing nuisance pets/livestock. They also provide temporary shelter for stray, unwanted or homeless pets and maintain a vigorous program of health screenings and vaccinations, as well as spaying/neutering services. Ms. Trice will discuss the measures taken by the County and the progress and success made in the past 5 years.

Now that we have begun to hold hybrid meetings (see below) we will continue to facilitate virtual attendance via ZOOM. You may [CLICK HERE](#) (if necessary, hold down the Control Key as you click) to join the meeting. The meeting passcode is 234567. Contact Joe Chappell if you have any trouble.

Please note that our weekly ZOOM meetings begin at 12:00 p.m. (noon), not 12:30 p.m.

We continue to employ ZOOM breakout rooms to encourage member socialization. When you join our regular meeting, you will be sent to a breakout room -- a "virtual table" -- where you'll have 5-10 minutes to socialize, catch up with and/or get to know the other people at your table.

Here's a summary of last week's meeting, provided by Linda Neff. If you missed the meeting, President Dean did a review of a very productive Rotary year even in the midst of COVID, and Mary Briggs gave a preview of her coming year as President. [Click here](#) for the link to a video of the meeting. The passcode is: yp1w\*!88

#### **Future Weekly Meetings**

Next week's meeting will feature a program by Jon Rembold, Beaufort County Airports Director. The Beaufort County Airports Board assists the Beaufort County Council by providing technical, financial,

#### **Club Meeting**

Hilton Head Island  
Meets at ZOOM

Hilton Head Island, SC  
Time: Thursday at  
12:00 PM

#### **Speakers**

**May 27, 2021**

[Tallulah Trice,](#)  
[Beaufort County](#)  
[Animal Services](#)

**June 03, 2021**

[Jon Rembold,](#) [Beaufort](#)  
[County Airports](#)  
[Director](#)

Overview of HHI  
Airport and updates

**June 10, 2021**

[Amanda Williams-](#)  
[O'Nan,](#) [Heritage](#)  
[Academy](#)

**June 17, 2021**

[James Wedgeworth,](#)  
[HHI Realty](#)

**June 24, 2021**

[Dean Roberts,](#) [Club](#)  
[Assembly](#)

#### **Events**

June 18th  
[Hilton Head Island](#)  
[End of the Year](#)  
[Party](#)

#### **Birthdays**

Jean K. Vahey  
May 29th  
Larry M. Sanders  
May 29th  
Bob Hilton  
June 1st

#### **Wedding Anniversaries**

Sandee L. Brooks  
June 1st

#### **Years of Service**

Andrea B. Siebold  
05-28-2009  
12 Years  
Brian M. Julius  
06-02-2011  
10 Years

#### **Club Leaders**

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President

business and marketing advice to assist in promoting the County's public aviation facilities. Mr. Rembold will present an overview of recent developments at Hilton Head Island's Airport. In addition, if we display sufficient attentiveness, he may agree to enlighten us regarding the latest news from Frogmore International Airport (aka Beaufort Executive Airport).

## Club News

This week the Club will continue to phase in hybrid meetings, with the live component being held at SoundWaves, located at 7 Lagoon Road. Attendance at this live meeting is limited to 40 attendees. ZOOM will remain available for all other attendees. The facility will be open to registered attendees starting at 11:30 a.m., with the meeting starting at noon. There will be breakout rooms the beginning of this week's ZOOM meeting. Note to in-person attendees: parking is available at SoundWaves and in the Coligny parking area across Lagoon Road. Lunches will be provided by Rock Fish at a cost of \$15, if you have registered prior to COB on Tuesday (May 25) and have made a lunch selection. Payment must be by cash, check or credit/debit card at the meeting. Lunches will NOT be billed.

### Viola Gift to Student Scholarship Winner By Linda Neff

For those of you who were at SoundWaves or on ZOOM for last week's meeting, you heard the very heartwarming story of Rotary action and generosity. Lupita Gomez, one of our scholarship winners, mentioned in her presentation the week before that she loved music and played the viola in the honors orchestra at Hilton Head Island High School. When asked if she would continue that at college, she sadly told us she didn't have her own instrument and had to use the school's so she couldn't take that to college.

While she was still speaking and before the end of the meeting, texts were flying around the room. With our orchestra contacts (thanks Mary Briggs and Mario Incorvaia) a brand new viola, bow, and case was secured from the first chair violist in the orchestra who also has a shop that sells string instruments. The viola was purchased with the money donated (\$950) and picked up by Mario.

Then a presentation to Lupita was arranged with the manager of the North End Starbucks (where she works) for last Friday morning at 11 a.m. Terri Brashears was able to reach Lupita's parents who, along with about 20 other Rotarians, showed up and surprised Lupita with this wonderful gift of love. Miracles upon miracles, Mary Briggs arranged for a reporter and cameraman from WSAV-TV to be there, and Linda Neff was able to contact her personal friend David Lauderdale from the *Island Packet* who arranged to have a reporter actually attend and cover the presentation as well.

The story aired on Friday, May 21 6:00 p.m. newscast on [WSAV-TV](#) and on Saturday, May 22, 11:00 p.m. newscast on [WJCL-TV](#). It was also the front page story on Monday, May 24's edition of the [Island Packet](#). Click on the links to see the coverage. Another of the great things Rotarians do when they see a need.

Here are some photos from the viola presentation...



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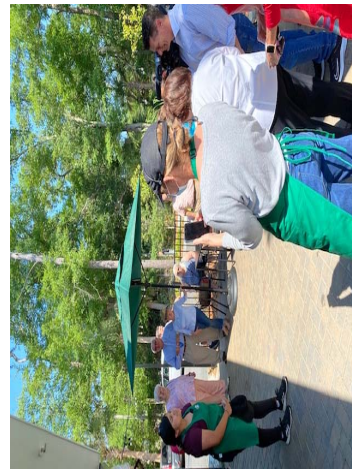


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**Inaugural Rotary National Golf Invitational - June 10-22, 2021**  
**Register before June 1!**

**Rotary District 7770 will host the first Rotary National Golf Championship on June 10 -11, 2021.**  
 There will be a Tournament Ice Breaker on Thursday June 10, and the Tournament itself will be on Friday, June 11 at Wachesa Plantation East on the Grand Strand at Murrel's Inlet - a Clyde Johnson masterpiece. The Goal of the tournament is to raise \$20,000 for two very important Rotary charities - End Polio Now and The CART Fund.

General Tournament Information,

- Participation is NOT restricted to Rotarians
- Shotgun start at 9:00 a.m.
- Men will play from White Tees; Senior men (over 60) will play from the Gold Tees; Ladies will play

- from the Red Tees
- Scramble format
- Registration: \$200 per player; \$800 for team of 4
- All Rotarians ♦ and Friends of Rotarians - are encouraged to get their foursome together and register to participate. The link for registrations is <https://www.rnginvitational.com>

Please consider forming your own team and participating ... and if not, let your golfing friends know about this opportunity.

If you have any questions, please contact President Dean.

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## **Capturing COVID: Voices & Images from the Middle Youth Services Updates by Terri Brashears**

*Capturing COVID: Voices from the Middle* is becoming a reality! Here is the latest update! English teacher, Kathleen Harper, and Art Teacher, Sarah Warner, are being flooded with student work. Requests have been sent to a diverse group of local artists to judge and choose the top submissions. Ms. Harper is looking for volunteers who have a background in writing or literature to help judge the poems and narratives. If you are interested in judging the writing portion of the anthology, please email me at [terri.brashears@gmail.com](mailto:terri.brashears@gmail.com), and I will be happy to pass on your contact information. Chuck Lombaugh of Curry Printing has agreed to do the printing at a discounted rate with an in-kind silver sponsorship. Sponsorships are currently \$2,200 and just \$400 away from covering all expenses. Thank you to all who are making this happen for the students of HHIMS and ultimately, VIM. Enjoy what's to come with these four visual perspectives of the pandemic.

How has this global pandemic impacted your life? This question was posed to the students of Hilton Head Island Middle School and under the guidance of Kathleen Harper, English teacher and Rotary liaison for Junior Interact, a schoolwide writing project entitled: *Capturing COVID: Voices & Images from the Middle* is underway. This anthology will contain a collection of poems, personal narratives, photographs, and original art to illustrate living through a global pandemic from a middle schooler's perspective. The anthologies will be sold in the community to raise money to support Volunteers in Medicine. VIM was chosen as essential medical services are provided to many HHIMS students and their families. Anthologies should go on sale in May. The goal is to sell a minimum of 200 copies at \$20 each.

There are three levels of sponsorship: Gold Sponsor - \$1,000, Silver Sponsor - \$500, and Bronze Sponsor - \$100. This will defray the cost of printing, and hopefully ensure all money raised goes directly to VIM. All sponsors will be recognized in the anthology. Many thanks to our Club and Pinnacle Bank for being Gold Sponsors. Please join us in this worthy cause and to support the creative efforts of our youth. Please contact Terri Brashears or Sheila Duffy for more information.



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## **Rotary 2021 End of the Year Party -- Mark Your Calendar!**

Our End of the Year party will be held on Friday, June 18, 6:00 p.m. at SoundWaves (7 Lagoon Road) and via ZOOM. Entertainment will be Trivia by Cousin Kevin. The party will be catered with boxed dinners (restaurant TBD). As we get closer to the event, a sign-up feature will be announced.

The Fellowship Committee was more or less defunct during the current Rotary year, but we are coming back to life! During the 2021-22 Rotary year, Mary Howe and Scott Hamlin will co-chair the committee and Mary will take over for the 2022-23 Rotary year. We are looking for Fellowship Committee members and ideas for fellowship events. If you are interested, please contact either [Scott](#) or [Mary](#).

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## **Volunteer Request for Juneteenth at Mitchelville - Saturday, June 19**



As President Dean recently requested, the Mitchelville Preservation Project has asked if our Club might be able to provide a half dozen or so volunteers to drive golf carts to accommodate general transportation needs for the Juneteenth Celebration at the Park on Saturday, June 19 -- nominally between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. (perhaps in two shifts). Scott Hamlin and Dean have already signed up. Please let [President Dean](#) know if you are interested in helping and he will coordinate the effort with Mitchelville. This is rapidly developing into an important annual event on the Island and it provides us with a golden opportunity for visibility that can help build Club diversity.

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## Help With COVID-19 Vaccinations

Don't forget that District and local sign-ups for volunteers to support mass COVID vaccination events are still available. The links to sign up are [www.rotaryready.com](http://www.rotaryready.com) (District) and <http://bit.ly/VaccinationVolunteerForm> (local). Friends and family are welcome to sign up, but all volunteers for both initiatives must be at least 18 years old.

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## ZOOM Etiquette

As we continue to meet via ZOOM, please remember it's possible for our speaker, as well as other Club members, to see a member's Chat entries. This has the potential to be embarrassing, not only for the members involved, but also for our Club. Please refrain from using the Chat feature for non-program related questions or comments. But please do use the Chat feature for your questions or comments related to the program!

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## Happy Dollars



Club members can make actual (as opposed to virtual) Happy Dollar donations to CART via [www.mycartfund.org](http://www.mycartfund.org). Virtual Happy Dollars have been a great feature of our weekly ZOOM meetings, but haven't necessarily translated into cash contributions. The Cart Fund Portal is a channel that can facilitate converting virtual Happy Dollars into actual donations by establishing a virtual CART Bucket. Club members can announce their Happy Dollars during the ZOOM meeting and then donate actual Happy Dollars via the Portal. Please contact President Dean if you have any questions or experience any problems completing your donation.

No time to announce your good news Happy Dollars during our Zoom meeting? No problem! Send your Happy Dollar news to Soundings Editor Bob Eberly [prinzarnulf@hargray.com](mailto:prinzarnulf@hargray.com). We'll print them in the next edition of the Soundings.

## Do you have a Happy Dollars moment or event to share?

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## Invite Your Friends to Attend!

As always, Club members should feel free to invite friends or visiting Rotarians to attend our weekly ZOOM meetings. You may certainly invite a prospective member to one of our meetings as well. It's an easy way to introduce someone to Rotary, and since all of our members' names are listed by their ZOOM squares, a potential member can see at a glance who else belongs to the Club. Remember to provide President Dean or Sergeant-at-Arms Michael Murphy information regarding potential visitors and guests so that they may be recognized at the meeting.

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## This Day in History

May 27, 1941: The German battleship *Bismarck* was sunk in the Atlantic by British warships HMS Dorsetshire, HMS King George V and HMS Rodney. Removing this scourge from the seas opened the way for transatlantic convoys of war materiel from America to Great Britain and elsewhere.

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## **The Four-Way Test**

**Of the things we think, say or do**

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
  - 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
  - 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
  - 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned**
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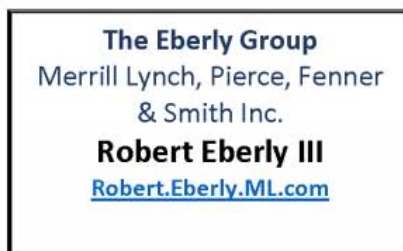
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