

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Paul Durban
4-Way Test—*next week* – Beth Everitt
Program— Barbara Morgan
Mar. Greeters – Barbara Morgan & Josh Stewart
Mar. Student Hosts – Joe Shields, Susan Yarborough,
& Sharon Rogers
SAHS – Rachel Beeson – Student
AHS – Sawyer Berry – Student
Mead Hall – Ashley Nelson – Student

GUESTS

Todd Glover	Speaker
Jenna Evans	Student guest
Dylan Onderdonk-Snow	Student guest
Karen Poteat	guest of Richard Garcia
Bill Rogers	guest of Robert Stack
David Stinson	guest of Chrissa Matthews

MAKE-UPS

Robert Pistole	eClubOne 2/4, 2/11
Leighton McLendon	eClubOne 1/11
Liz Neal	eClubOne 2/11
Sandra Jordan	eClubOne 2/11
Robby Bowles	eClubOne 2/4, 2/11
Leonard Browder	eClubOne 2/11



AS ROTARY CELEBRATES 108TH ANNIVERSARY, GAINS AGAINST POLIO CONTINUE

Rotary News: rotary.org



Rotary's 108th anniversary on 23 February marks a year of both achievements in the fight to eradicate polio and a stepped-up commitment to finish the job.

Worldwide, 222 polio cases were reported in 2012, a little more than one-third of the 650 cases reported in 2011. India marked its second year without polio on 13 January. Overall, the annual incidence of polio has decreased more than 99 percent since the Global Polio Eradication Initiative was launched in 1988. Then polio infected about 350,000 children per year.

Among Rotary's chief responsibilities in the eradication initiative is advocacy, an increasingly important element of this latter stage of the effort. In addition to contributing more than US\$1 billion to the GPEI, Rotary has helped secure over \$9 billion from donor governments since the initiative began in 1988. Rotary is boosting its advocacy work in the 200 countries and regions where Rotary clubs exist to encourage every national government to help meet a \$700 million shortfall (as of 1 February) in funding the GPEI through 2013.



Rotary Club of Aiken

PO Box 685

Aiken, SC 29802

(803) 648-5676

Monday, 12:30 PM

Newberry Hall

117 Newberry Street, SW

www.aikenrotary.org

R.I. President

Sakuji Tanaka

District Governor

Kim Gramling

Club President

Peggy Ford

President Elect

Joe Shields

Vice President

Barbara Morgan

Past President

David Jameson

Secretary/Treasurer

Stanley Smith

Sergeant-at-Arms

Richard Holley

Assistant Governor

Carmen Landy

Board of Directors

Karen Bowles (2013)

Joe Lewis (2013)

Josh Stewart (2013)

Vicki Bukovitz (2014)

Jason Stewart (2014)

John McMichael (2014)

Henry Krippner (2015)

Chuck Munns (2015)

Van Smith (2015)

Sergeants-at-Arms

Chair: Richard Holley

Robert Stack

Ross Culligan

Richard Herring

Tom Calhoun

Wayland Lamar

John McMichael

THE GEAR



The Rotary Club of Aiken

Chartered February 27, 1939

Club 6187—District 7750

Volume 46, Number 29

Editor: Catie Rabun - catie.rabun@gmail.com

Photographer: Tami Burke

MARCH 4, 2013



PROGRAM LAST WEEK

by: Catie Rabun



Introduced by **Thomas Smith**, our speaker last week was **Todd Glover**, North Augusta's City Administrator. Glover gave a presentation on Project Jackson, a proposal the City of North Augusta is considering for their Riverfront that would include a 4500-seat minor league baseball stadium, a resort hotel, retail and restaurants, office, luxury multifamily apartments, and townhomes. He stated that even the earliest visions for the Hammond's Ferry Riverfront

Center included a high-density, mixed-use "live-work-play" environment and this could potentially fulfill that vision.

The conceptual designs for the proposed hotel borrow from the architectural merits of the historic Hampton Terrace hotel that burned in 1916 in North Augusta. Glover spoke to the importance to the city to make this a destination for the region to come and publically enjoy the riverfront as a city amenity and not just one for the residents of Hammond's Ferry.

Glover shared a Three Rivers Model that was completed for the project. It estimated that during construction alone, the project would generate \$292 million for the local MSA and 2200 jobs. He spoke to the importance of attracting young professionals into the local economy for continued future growth because, in order to retain and attract this demographic, cities have to be conscious of those things that young professionals look for in towns—like entertainment and the arts.

PROGRAM TODAY

Doug Rabold

HITCHCOCK WOODS: A SHARED HERITAGE

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- MAR 11 **Ralph Courtney:** Director of Tri-Development Center
MAR 18 **Mike Pereyo:** District International Projects Report
MAR 25 **Dr. Harris Pastides:** President of University of South Carolina System

BIRTHDAYS

- 3/4 Susan Yarborough
3/6 Mallory Holley
3/6 David Repass
3/7 Bob Hibbard
3/9 Carlos Milanes

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/7 Clifton & Rhonda Jones
3/9 Steve & Tina Young

CLUB MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/5 Russ Richardson (2007)
3/5 Geoffrey Magrath (2007)

This issue proofed by Gary Willoughby & Dave Tavernier



CART FOR FEBRUARY

\$397.00



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

TEN YEARS AGO - MARCH 2003

We recognized our unsung heroes at our annual banquet. They were: Jim Hanna, Coach; Marilyn Swanson, stroke prevention; Trudy Boyd, work with families of addicts; Cathy Cole, Chaplain at Aiken Regional; Pam Earhart, Executive Assistant at Hitchcock; and Cathy Carlyle, conflict resolution program. All were given handsome plaques and a standing ovation at the banquet.

OUR PAST - FROM "THE GEAR" MARCH 1993

Interesting programs in March 1993 revolved around our youth. Karen Papouchado spoke on the problem of Infant Mortality; Trent Arnold told us about the Indian Guides for youth; Mike Miller spoke on the work of the Boy Scouts; and Ginny Murphy, from the School District, directed our attention to our young students. Program chairman for the month was Steve Floyd.

HISTORICAL NOTES AND FACTS

In March of 1983 we had one of our politicians from Aiken County speak. He was a state senator. He told us about the workings of the state Senate, which at that time was controlled by the Democrats. He later ran for Governor on the Democratic ticket (but lost). And after that he went to Washington as a lobbyist for the payday lending loan industry. Who was he? (Two dollars in the cart bucket for the first one with the right identification)!

FEBRUARY'S STUDENTS- OF-THE-MONTH ADDRESS THE CLUB



Once more, **Rakesh Jasani** introduced **Jenna Evans**, our South Aiken High student guest for February. He told us

she plans to attend Clemson University's nursing program in the fall. Following his introduction, she addressed the club and thanked Rotary for inviting her, for caring about her life, and for treating her like an adult. She is passionate about the community and feels that this club is a picture of an organization that also cares a great deal. She also thanked Rakesh for his mentorship.



Ralph Courtney introduced **Dylan Onderdonk-Snow**, our Aiken High School student guest for February and told us

of Dylan's plans to attend Yale in the fall after completing a two-week backpacking trip on the Appalachian Trail. Dylan also addressed the club and thanked Rotary for giving him the opportunity to see what it's like to be in Rotary and was happy to see that the club cares about students. He learned that everyone in the club is genuinely excited about changes for the better. He told us he passes a sign that reads, "Drive Safely and Protect our Children" on his way to school everyday and was pleased to see that Rotary is making a difference, even in the subtlest ways.

ROTARY CLUB OF AIKEN: ACCEPTING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



Collette Ball, chair of the Scholarship Committee, announced last week that Rotary would be accepting scholarship applications until March 15. Criteria for qualifying for the scholarship include academics, need, and community involvement.

Interested students can submit to any committee members or can mail applications directly to the Rotary Club of Aiken, at P.O. Box 685 Aiken, SC 29802.

5 REASONS TO GIVE TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Here are a few ways your contributions are changing lives around the world:

1. Eradicating polio
2. Basic education & literacy
3. Promoting peace & conflict resolution
4. Reducing child mortality
5. Fighting hunger

A child works on his studies thanks to books donated through a Rotary project. By contributing to the Foundation, you support basic education and literacy. *Rotary Images/Monika Lozinska-Lee*

