CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—this week – Fred Humes 4-Way Test—next week - Leighton McLendon Apr. Greeters—Mallory Holley and Amy Winn Apr. Invocation— Dean Sackett Apr. Student Hosts – Regena Brackett, Kitty Windham SAHS – Greg Flippen – Student AHS - Russell Maddrey - Student

GUESTS

Jamie Turner Speaker Russell Maddrev Student guest Greg Flippen Student guest Miss Saddie Riendal goddaughter of Wade Brodie Miss Lilly Riendal goddaughter of Wade Brodie Miss Madison goddaughter of Wade Brodie Sissy Brodie guest of Wade Brodie **Chrissy Miller** guest of Chuck Maxwell **Gloria Rogers** guest of Sharon Rogers Frank Fulmer guest of **Owen Clary** Jerry Spitler guest of Mike Hertzberg **Rob Novitt** visiting from Sunrise Club

MAKE-UPS

Thomas Smith eClubOne 3/25 Joel Cote eClubOne 3/18 eClubOne 3/4, 11, 18, 25 Rachel Rvan eClubOne 3/18 Dean Sackett

EVERY COIN COUNTS

NEW MEMBER INDUCTED INTO AIKEN ROTARY CLUB



Molly Jones joined the Club on April 1, 2013, under the sponsorship of Rotarian Jeff Howell. Molly graduated from Aiken High School (with Jeff's daughter) and the College of Charleston. She and her husband, Dwayne, have two sons, Luke and Sam. Molly is a banker and currently serves as an Assistant Vice President of TD Bank, where she is the manager of the downtown Aiken branch.

Welcome to Rotary, Molly!



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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

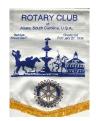
Board of Directors

Karen Bowles (2013)Joe Lewis (2013)Josh Stewart (2013)Vicki Bukovitz (2014)Jason Stewart (2014)(2014)John McMichael Henry Krippner (2015)**Chuck Munns** (2015)Van Smith (2015)

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Chair: Richard Holley Robert Stack Ross Culligan Richard Herring Tom Calhoun Wayland Lamar John McMichael

THE GEAR



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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

by: Barbara Strack



Jamie Turner, the Executive Director of the Savannah River Cancer Foundation, spoke to us about the Foundation. We learned that it is a local foundation that provides patient support to anyone who has been told, "You have cancer." Their service area is Aiken, Allendale, Barnwell, and Edgefield counties.

The foundation was started in 2003, when former Rotarian John Cunningham volunteered to drive a cancer patient to her treatments. When he became aware that she, and many other patients, could not afford her medications, he spearheaded the effort to form the foundation and raise money to help with this need. The foundation began serving patients in 2004.

The foundation offers consultation for patients and their families, referrals to other service organizations, emotional support groups, and financial assistance for low-income patients for cancer-treatment medication and for transportation to cancer treatments and medical appointments. The foundation's financial assistance is available to patients at or below 200% of poverty.

PROGRAM TODAY

Larry Comegys

AIKEN LAND CONSERVANCY

FUTURE PROGRAMS

APR 15 Club Assembly: FaceTime meeting

with Kadikoy Rotary Kulubu, Istanbul,

Turkey

APR 22 **Dr. John Morgan**, Georgia Regents

University; Parkinson's Awareness

APR 29 Tracie Gartrell; "Hope Health"

Providing Support and Hope to those

battling AIDS

BIRTHDAYS

4/10	Raymond Mizell
4/11	Richard Pearce
4/11	John Girardeau
4/12	Cindy Mears

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

4/8	Owen & Linda Clary
4/11	Chuck & Jo Anne Leopold
4/12	John & Terri Lindsay

CLUB MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

4/12	Leon Boyleston (2010)
4/12	Thomas Smith (2010)
4/13	Steve Young (2009)
4/14	Richard Church (2003)



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE By Owen Clary

TEN YEARS AGO - APRIL 2003

As Sara Wood is currently working on our incoming GSE team (2013-this year) in 2003 we were welcoming our incoming GSE team from the state of South Australia. The occupations included human resources, park ranger, journalist, social work, and teacher. (It is great to meet members of our GSE teams and learn about their country and their occupations, so welcome our incoming team this year and assist Sara with the arrangements and logistics).

20 YEARS AGO - APRIL 1993

Business of our Club occupied our attention (besides the Masters) in early April 1993. We reported we had a present membership of 134 with 9 new members and 13 drops (that's not a way to get ahead). We had income of \$62,624 and expenditures of \$47,184. (Now that is a way to get ahead). However it was reported that 35 Rotarians had not paid their quarterly dues and would receive past due notices. (Now which way is that)!

HISTORICAL NOTES AND FACTS

From "The Gear" of April 1983 it was reported that Club Secretary Raymond Mizell and Club President Elect Al Peters had just returned from District Conference where our own Ron Wheeler had been elected incoming District Governor. Ron was the second Governor from our Club after Audley Ward back in the 50's. We have had another Governor since. Who was it?? (If you are so inclined and know the answer, go to that close associate of that Governor who is now in our Club and give her a dollar for the CART bucket in his memory)!

MEET APRIL'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Hosted by
Rotarian, Kitty
Windham, Russell
Maddrey was
introduced as the
April Student of
the Month for

Aiken High School. Russell is a senior who is following a course of study that includes, Calculus, English, and Chemistry. He is active in Interact and the Beta Club and is the Pitcher for Aiken High School baseball team.



Hosted by Regena Brackett, Greg Flippen was introduced as the April Student of the Month for South Aiken High

School. Greg holds a 3.0 GPA and is a member of ROTC. He works for Publix in his spare time and intends to enter the Navy.

DINE OUT AND SUPPORT CART

Liz Neal announced that Ruby Tuesday Restaurant is supporting the CART fund. Liz will have a coupon available for use at the restaurant on April 20, 21, 24 and May 1, 3, and 5th that when paying for a meal the restaurant will donate 20% of the bill to our CART fund. Coupons are available at today's meeting.

CLASSIFICATION TALK: RALPH COURTNEY

By: Barbara Strack



Ralph Courtney
grew up in
Greenville and
received a B.S. in
Secondary
Education and
Social Sciences and
a M.Ed. in
Rehabilitative
Services from the
University of South
Carolina. He is ABD

in Educational Administration from South Carolina State University. He married an Aiken girl, Jody, in 1977, and their grown children, Josh and Melia, live in Texas and California. Jody works as a special education teacher in Columbia County, GA.

Ralph allows as how he took an unusual path through the 1960s for a Southern white boy. Since childhood, he's worked as an advocate for people with intellectual disabilities, for civil rights, and for other reforms. During a complicated relationship with USC during the 1960s, he taught in a Freedom School for Native Americans in Four Hole Swamp, a community in Dorchester County. Following the Kent State massacre, he and the university disagreed about the limits of protest, and he reentered the school under a negotiated agreement in which he promised not to run for student-body office or live on campus.

Ralph worked at the Babcock Center from 1972 to 1991 and focused on providing community alternatives to the deplorable conditions in state institutions. In 1991 he joined Tri-Development Center, where he is currently Executive Director. He continues to work toward the dream of true inclusion for fellow citizens with disabilities.