

## CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Leighton McLendon  
4-Way Test—*next week* – Doug Rabold  
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

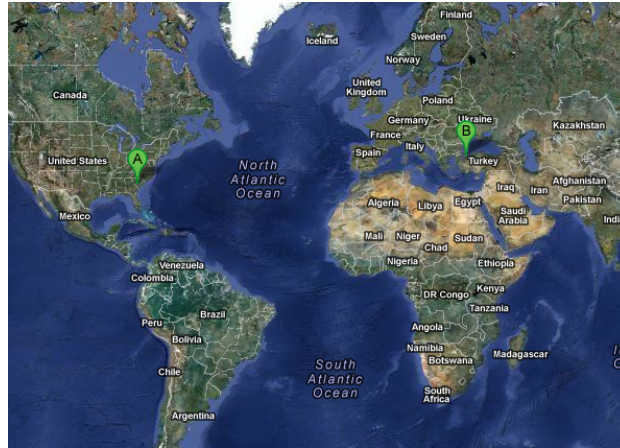
## GUESTS

Larry Comegys	Speaker
Katie Roth	Speaker guest
Chrissey Miller	guest of <b>Del Hickey</b>
Rushton Bowles	guest of <b>Robby Bowles</b>
Alice Croftwell	guest of <b>Robby Bowles</b>
Harry Sampson	guest of <b>Van Smith</b>
Rob Novitt	visiting from Sunrise Club

## MAKE-UPS

Elliot Levy	Aiken Sunrise 3/25
Collette Ball	eClubOne 4/1

## AGENDA FOR TODAY'S SPECIAL MEETING



Aiken (A) and Kadikoy, Turkey (B) is shown on the map above

### 12.45-1.00:

Thomas Smith: Information about Istanbul and Kadikoy Rotary Club

### 1.00-1.20:

Comments from the President of Kadiköy RC

### 1.20-11.30:

Comments from Peggy Ford

### 1.30-2.00:

Aiken Assembly

We welcome Kadikoy Rotary Club as our virtual guests!



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Van Smith (2015)

**Sergeants-at-Arms**

Chair: Richard Holley

Robert Stack

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# THE GEAR



## The Rotary Club of Aiken

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## PROGRAM LAST WEEK

by: Jason Price



**Betty Ryburg** introduced last week's program speaker, **Larry Comegys**, who is President of the Executive Board for the Aiken Land Conservancy (ALC). The ALC is a private, non-profit organization that is dedicated to preserving open, undeveloped space in Aiken County. ALC is one of 1700 land trusts in the United States and one of 20 land trusts in South Carolina. ALC preserves land

through land donations and conservation easements from landowners. Those land donations and conservation easements include the Winthrop Polo Field, Foxchase, Carolina Bay Nature Reserve, and Talatha Gardens.

One of the challenges that the Aiken area faces, according to Comegys, is increasing development pressures, which must be addressed by the community to ensure that Aiken preserves as much of its ecological habitat as possible. Through ALC's efforts and its mission of preserving open land, the natural character of Aiken County will continue for the long-term benefit and the enjoyment of the public.



EVERY COIN  
COUNTS

## PROGRAM TODAY

### Club Assembly

FACETIME MEETING WITH KADIKOY  
ROTARY KULUBU, INSTANBUL, TURKEY

## FUTURE PROGRAMS

- 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
- MAY 6 **Mac Burdette**; Executive Director "Patriots Point" Naval and Maritime Museum, Mt. Pleasant, SC

## BIRTHDAYS

4/15 Buzz Rich

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

4/16 David & Sandra Jameson  
4/18 Bill & Sandy Tucker  
4/21 Molly & Dewayne Jones

## CLUB MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

4/19 Henry Krippner (1999)



## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

### TEN YEARS AGO - APRIL 2003

It was reported recently in April 2003 that Rotary International welcomed back into its fold, after a 24 year absence, the Rotary Club of Kabul, Afghanistan. That raised the country total to 166 for Rotary International. The Kabul club became inactive in 1979 due to war and strange politics.

### OUR PAST - FROM "THE GEAR" APRIL 1993

We were impressed with one of our students of the month from Aiken High. He was Ramar Wright. (And for some of us oldies, we recall that Ramar was once on Jeporady where he won a lot of money). Ramar later went to Duke. He was the son of Frank and Cynthia Wright. Ramar loved physics and politics.

### HISTORICAL NOTES AND FACTS

In April of 1983 we inducted and pinned a new member of our Club, Dr. William Johnston, of First Presbyterian Church. We have long had several ministers from large and First churches in our Club under the Classification of Religion-Protestantism. Currently we have under this classification ministers of the First Baptist, First Lutheran (St. Pauls), First Episcopal (St. Thdeus), and an away First Methodist (Retired) churches. We use to have in our Club also ministers under the classification of Religion-Judaism and Religion-Catholicism but not currently. (Incidentally, while one of our Rotary members was in Rome recently, he tried to get the new Pope to fill one of the two above vacancies-but, Alas, to no avail)(LOL).

## NEW MEMBER INDUCTED INTO AIKEN ROTARY CLUB



**Bill Rogers** joined the Club on April 8, 2013, under the sponsorship of Rotarian **Grant Wiseman**. Bill is a parishioner at Saint Thaddeus. He is originally from Martinsburg, West Virginia. He attended undergraduate at the University of Virginia and medical school at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. Bill's wife, Margaret, passed away six years ago. He has 5 children and 10 grandchildren.

Welcome to Rotary, Bill!

## CLASSIFICATION TALK: CHUCK LEOPOLD

By: Jason Price



Chuck Leopold presented the classification talk last week and his classification is Education. Chuck's formative years were spent in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and he

stayed in the area up until he received his Bachelor's degree in Marketing at Indiana University. Chuck also holds an Education Certificate from the University of Miami, where he met his wife, a Master's degree from Furman, and a Ph. D. from the University of South Carolina.

Chuck's passion for education and desire to stay away from the cold has taken all over the South from locales such as Dade County, Florida, to Jasper County, South Carolina. Chuck spent the latter portion of his career at Aiken County Public Schools, in which he worked at Oakwood School, Kalmia Hill and North Aiken Elementary. Since retiring, Chuck has been travelling quite a bit, but he says that he just cannot seem to keep up with Owen Clary.