

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Sharon Rodgers
4-Way Test—*next week* – Carla Cloud
Program— Liz Stewart
May Invocation— Tom Hallman
May Greeters — Peggy Ford & Jason Stewart
May Students— Kirby Williamson & Brandon Muniz
May Student Hosts— Tami Burke & Kitty Windham

GUESTS

Derek Dugan	Speaker
Lindsay Brill	Student guest
Will Holbrook	Student guest
Keli & Wes Holbrook	Student parents
Caitlin Cary	guest of Sharon Rodgers
Rob Bennett	guest of Rick Osborne
Rob Novit	visiting Sunrise Rotary
Bob Jiranek	visiting Chatham VA
Susan Fenske	visiting Denver Sky High

MAKE-UPS

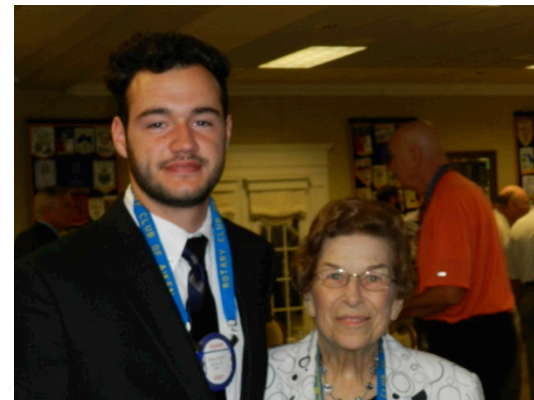
Richard Herring	Aiken Sunrise 3/17
Monica Key	Rotary Readers 3/31
Carlos Milanes	eClubOne 3/24

MEET MAY'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Last week we met our May students-of-the-month. We look forward to learning more about them in the coming weeks.



Kirby Williamson, hosted by **Tami Burke** is our South Aiken High School student of the month.



Brandon Muniz, hosted by **Kitty Windham**, is our Aiken High School student of the month.



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THE GEAR



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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Karen Guevara



Rotarian Brian Bernard introduced speaker Derek Dugan, head of the Aiken Chapter of the American Red Cross. The Red Cross, founded in 1881 by Clara Barton and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1900, operates in 180 countries across the globe.

First, the Red Cross shelters, feeds, and cares for disaster victims. Last year alone, they provided 33,700 toothbrushes to victims across the U.S. Within our area, they respond to about 8 house fires each year. Last year, they served 333 area residents in 103 disasters, including the Ice Storm.

Second, the Red Cross provides a safe blood supply, supporting nearly half of the U.S. blood supply needs. Locally donated blood stays local, including supplying Aiken Regional Medical Center. Rotarians can become heroes by donating blood. Upcoming blood drives are scheduled May 28th and June 25th at Aiken Mall.

Third, the Red Cross serves as the official communication channel to notify active duty military members of family emergencies – most commonly births, deaths, and illnesses of family members. They operate two full-time call centers and provide support and financial assistance to help military members get home.

Fourth, the Red Cross teaches lifesaving skills, including first aid, baby sitter, lifeguard, and water safety certifications. Rotarians can become heroes by signing up for on-line or local classes, and by downloading Red Cross smart phone Apps for First Aid, Hurricane, Earthquake, Wildfire, and Tornado. More information is available at www.redcross.org/sc/aiken.

PROGRAM TODAY

JENNIFER HART

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES, COMMUNITY UPDATE

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- MAY 19 Lisa Fallaw; Rotary Readers Recognition Day
- MAY 26 **NO MEETING**
- JUN 2 TBD

BIRTHDAYS

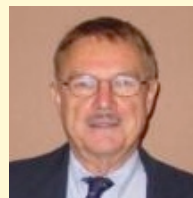
- 5/12 Richard Herring
- 5/16 Susan Winsor
- 5/16 Greg Paschal
- 5/17 Tom Hofstetter

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- 5/12 Christopher Davies (1997)
- 5/13 Jim Wetzel (2002)
- 5/14 Betty Ryberg (2007)
- 5/14 Bob Bigger (2007)
- 5/16 Jane Page Thompson (2011)



EVERY COIN COUNTS



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

YOU ARE INVITED!!!!

The Aiken County Historical Commission invites you to a reception for Elliott Levy in honor of his retirement on Thursday 15 May from 5:30 til 7:30 at the Museum. Elliott is retiring after seven years of service as Director of the Aiken County Museum. The Museum has recorded many accomplishments under the leadership of Elliott. The Commission is in the process of interviewing to seek a person to take his place (although it will be difficult to replace the character we call "Elliott")!

TEN YEARS AGO - MAY 2004

Recently we members of the Club received a letter noting an increase in dues. Well, in May of 2004 we received a letter noting an increase in dues. This was as a result of Rotary International raising the dues of all Rotarians from \$35 to \$47 over a three year period. Rotary International said that operating budgets at RI Headquarters had been impacted by failure of dues to keep up with inflation and three years of poor returns on investments as a result of the recession. (Sounds like what has happened to many of our household budgets)!

OUR PAST - "THE GEAR" MAY 1994

Twenty years ago here are some of the names mentioned in the May 23 1994 "Gear": Mike Hosang, William Price, Deri Hinson, Steve Surasky, Bob Hibbard, Sara Wood, Bob Alexander, Wade Brodie, Mike Schoener, Ed Woltz, Jim Lambricht, Rod Grandy, Rich Chesser, Charles Fliflet, and Program Chairman for May, John Cunningham.

ROTARY CLUB OF AIKEN TRASH PICKUP

We picked up 13 bags of trash, which equals 195 pounds on Saturday (5/10/14). We had 15 total volunteers with 8 from Rotary and 1 from Interact Club and 6 Volunteers (Joe Lewis' two son and Philip Merry's son and daughter and their two friends). We are scheduled for next pick up again on August 9, 2014.

Rotary Member Participation:

- Joe Shields
- Joe Lewis & 2 volunteers
- Phillip Merry & 4 volunteers
- Mike McNeill
- Barbara Morgan
- John Lindsay
- Geoff Magrath
- Rick McLeod

Interact Member Participation:

- Art Lader

