

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Joe Lewis
4-Way Test—*next meeting* – TBD
Program—David Jameson
June Invocation— Vicki Bukovitz
June Greeters — Steve Mueller & Elliot Levy
May Student— Brian Muniz
May Student Host— Kitty Windham

GUESTS

Lisa Fallaw	Speaker
Melony Starks	Speaker
Kirby Williamson	Student guest
Brandon Muniz	Student guest
Janice Kitchings	Rotary Reader Guest
Mary Wheeler	Rotary Reader Guest
Gail Shields	Rotary Reader Guest
Roseann Pistole	Rotary Reader Guest
Rob Novit	visiting Sunrise Rotary

MAKE-UPS

Lynn Shepard Club Service 5/12

MAY 19 NAMED “ROTARY READER DAY”



Bill Taylor, Tom Young, and Don Wells announced that May 19th would forever be considered “Rotary Reader Day” in response of the efforts of the Rotary Club of Aiken.



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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Meredith Cook



At our last meeting, Lisa Fallaw, Principal at East Aiken School of the Arts shared with our group a year-end report of the Rotary Readers program. The data collected showed that 86% of the students who participated

in Rotary Readers had positive growth in areas of weakness and 74% showed an increase of reading levels. Additionally, the school surpassed their book goal by 5,000 books!

Principal Fallaw and her staff are working to fine tune this effective program and have taken the suggestions of Rotarians and students into consideration. Future programs may have smaller group sizes and more frequent meetings.

Without a doubt, the biggest impact of the RR program, from both the student and Rotarian perspective, is the students having a positive adult and mentor in their lives. If you have not been involved with Rotary Readers, please consider signing up and being a part of this incredibly important program. Thank you to everyone in our Rotary who has taken the time to meet with the students at East Aiken School of the Arts, help them reach their reading goals, and be a positive influence in their lives. You're making a difference!

PROGRAM TODAY

DR. DEIDRE MARTIN

AIKEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CHAIR;
YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR ACADEMY

FUTURE PROGRAMS

JUN 9	Katie Miller; Girl Scouts
JUN 16	TBD
JUN 23	TBD

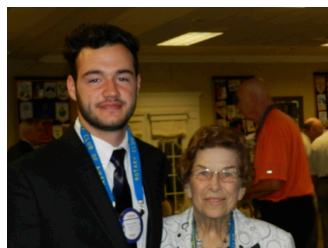
BIRTHDAYS

6/2	Barbara Morgan
6/2	Ron Henderson
6/4	Clay Killian
6/6	Don Wells
6/8	Peggy Ford

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

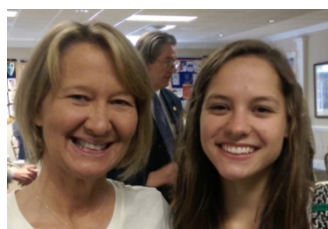
6/4	Jason Price (2012)
6/4	Allen Bateman (2012)
6/7	Rachel Ryan (2010)

AN UPDATE ON MAY'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Student host, Kitty Windham, introduced Brandon Muniz to the club once more. Brandon volunteers for

“Drive Safe Aiken: Soon Can Be the End” Campaign in order to encourage safe driving. He is also involved with “Fit for School” which works with businesses in the community to gather school supplies for the underprivileged so students have the basics to have the opportunity to do well in school. He is the president of the National Honor Society as well as the Vice President of the Student Council. He is also a member of the Beta Club and Captain of the Varsity Soccer Team.



Tami Burke introduced her student guest, Kirby Williamson, once more. Her mother, Donna Williamson,

joined her for the meeting. Kirby addressed the club and she said it was a pleasure to be here this month. She thanked the club for being welcoming, asking questions, and for the good food. She was honored to be the student of the month and she also thanked Tami Burke for being a wonderful host.

HONORING AN AIKEN ROTARY CLUB MEMBER: MANNING OWEN



He has been an Honorary member of our club since 2011 when his health prevented him from regularly attending. Manning Owen started the original student loan fund which we will be announcing the recipients of today (now it's a scholarship fund).

Here's what was in the Aiken Standard that relates to his Rotary involvement:

He was a leader within the business community, a Rotarian but most of all a gentleman. A man known for his selflessness and altruism, Owen died on Wednesday May 21st at the age of 97. A World War II veteran who received the Bronze Star, Owen's leadership as a businessman and a Rotarian made an impression on others.

He was the Aiken Rotary Club president from 1955-56, received the President's Award in 1983 and was active

and involved with the club until declining health precluded his participation, said Wade Brodie, fellow Rotarian.

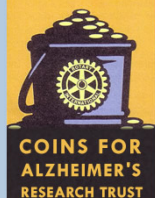
Owen owned Manning Owen, a clothing store, one that evolved over the years under several different names, including Owen Surasky's, before returning to Manning Owen. He was also a member of the Aiken Businessmen's Club.

“He was a true gentleman,” said Lionel Smith of Lionel Smith Ltd. “I had two great mentors, Frank Howard, who I worked for at Belk, and Manning Owen, who I went to work for in 1966. I consider our store an extension of Manning Owen.”

It was Owen's idea that led to a Rotary project, which helped beautify Aiken's downtown area, Brodie said. “We had to go to the City Council to get approval to have the boxes placed in front of the businesses,” said Brodie. “Rotary paid for the boxes, and the vocational school on the Aiken-Augusta Highway built them. We put the topsoil and the initial plantings in, but we had to have an agreement from the merchants that they would maintain the boxes.”

Owen also played an integral role in helping to establish the Aiken Rotary Student Loan, which was recently changed to the student scholarship, said Ray Mizell, a fellow Rotarian. “He was quite a business gentleman and a delight to have around,” Mizell said. “He was one of the bulwarks of the club in the beginning stages. He was really dedicated to the ideas and principles in helping others. He had a long tenure with the Rotary”.

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