CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—this week – Scott Neely 4-Way Test—next week -Mike McNeill Program—Jennifer Hart July Greeters—Meredith Cook & Chrissey Miller Invocation—Richard Pearce

GUESTS

Lisa Fallaw Speaker Kim Entzminger Speaker Melanie Starks Speaker **Davina Truitt** Speaker

guest of Jeff Howell Karyn Sealy Clyde Jobs guest of Jeff Howell Elisa Pee guest of Jeff Howell

MAKE-UPS

Richard Hollev Club Service 7/15 John McMichael Club Service 7/29 William Parker eClubOne 7/15 eClubOne 7/15 Sandra Jordan Carlos Milanes eClubOne 7/8, 7/15 Scott Hunter eClubOne 7/8, 7/15 eClubOne 7/15 **Cindy Mears** Liz Neal eClubOne7/15 eClubOne 6/24, 7/8, 7/15 Clay Killian

EVERY COIN COUNTS!

"ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES"

- Engage by "Doing Good In the World"
- Engage by leading or participating in a Project
- Engage by sponsoring a new Member
- Engage by sharing Ideas and Resources to Make Your Club Stronger
- Engage by pooling Resources to Make a Larger Impact in Your Community
- Engage by donating to our Foundation
- Engage by having FUN in everything we do

Engaging Rotary changes lives, and don't be surprised if the life you change is your own!



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THE GEAR



The Rotary Club of Aiken

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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Jason Price



East Aiken School of the Arts Principal, Lisa

Following an introduction by President Joe Shields, Principal Lisa Fallaw of East Aiken School of the Arts, who was joined by East Aiken faculty members Davina Truitt, Melanie Starks, and Kim Entzminger, presented East Aiken's current initiative in educating its students. Since 2008, East Aiken has been designated as an artsintegration school, which is intended to build student confidence and creativity through the arts.

East Aiken is designated as Title I school and is currently the 8th highest school with poverty-stricken students in Aiken County. Many of East Aiken's students come from

environments that do not emphasize the importance of reading and educational development. That is why East Aiken's strives to accommodate differences, to reveal a passion for learning, to teach appreciation and to stimulate creativity. This is achieved through infusing character development throughout the school's culture by integrating academics, arts and character education.

Principal Fallaw and President Shields were proud to announce that the Aiken Rotary Club and East Aiken have partnered together with a reading project, which will focus on fourth and fifth-graders who suffer from reading deficiencies. Following Principal Fallaw's presentation, many Rotarians signed up to be volunteers for the project, knowing that mentors and volunteers can be vital contributions to the success of East Aiken's students.

PROGRAM TODAY

MAC BURDETTER EXEC. DIRECTOR "PATRIOTS POINT" NAVAL & MARITIME MUSEUM

FUTURE PROGRAMS

AUG 5	Brooks Smith; Aiken County
	Career Center
AUG 12	Kim Davies, STAR Riding

AUG 19 Jeff Howell; Public Education

Partnership

BIRTHDAYS

7/29	Dave Tavernier
7/29	Lyn Kenney
7/30	Richard Garcia
8/1	Stan Smith
8/3	Paul Durban
8/3	Chad Matthews

CLUB MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

am McGill (2007)
ed Felder (2012)
ob Newburn (1987)
m Simmons (1981)
om Cofer (1976)
ill Webb (1987)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

7/29	Allen & Sally Brodie
7/30	Tom & Linda Calhoun
7/31	Mark & Vicky Meyer
8/1	Carolyn & Harold Emanuel-McClain
8/3	Richard & Karen Herring
8/4	Tom & Heather Young



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE By Owen Clary

TEN YEARS AGO - JULY 2003

Ten members of our club took advantage of the "matching funds" available to obtain Paul Harris Fellowships. Some of these were first time Paul Harris Fellows and some represented Multiple Paul Harris Fellows. Aiken rotary Club members contributed a total of \$5,000 during the qualifying period.

OUR PAST - FROM "THE GEAR" JULY 1993

President Bill (Tucker, that is) presided over an auspicious occasion as Gov. Windham received the Governor's pin and all the responsibilities of that office. Past District Governor Grimbell performed the honors and Past District Governor Golden presented the Governor's flag to President Bill, which was to remain with the Aiken club for the year.

HISTORICAL NOTES AND FACTS

Some names and responsibilities noted in the July 1983 "Gear": President, Al Peters; Dan Bacot, attendance; Jim Holden, Meet and Greet; Morris Rudnick, Program chairman; Invocationeers, Bob Shahan, Monsignor Smith, Bob Johnston, and Jim Rivers; Bill Thurlow, Birthday Boys. (Note Boys....no lady members in 1983...that historical stroke {or strike...or Strack} would come in 1988)! (Then Strack would strike 20 years later in 2003)!

BRITISH OPHTHALMOLOGIST RECEIVES TOP FOUNDATION ALUMNI AWARD

By Dan Nixon Rotary News -- 10 July 2013



Dr. Harminder Singh Dua receives the 2012-13 Rotary Foundation Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award at the Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal. At right is 2012-13 Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Wilfrid J. Wilkinson. Photo by Monika Lozinska/Rotary International

Dr. Harminder Singh Dua, an Indian-born ophthalmologist in Nottingham, England, received the 2012-13 Rotary Foundation Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award at the Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal, in late June. He was nominated for the award by District 3030 (Maharashtra, India).

In 1981, Dua traveled from India to Pennsylvania, USA, as a member of a Group Study Exchange team, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Nagpur South, Maharashtra. Recalling the flight that began his trip, from Bombay (now Mumbai) to New York, he said, "Traveling with the sun, we had 24 hours of daylight. Isn't that a wonderful thought:

Let there be no darkness. I had unwittingly captured, at least in part, the spirit of Rotary and the spirit for which I would work for the rest of my life."

Dua, who is chair and professor of ophthalmology at the University of Nottingham, Queen's Medical Centre, has treated patients in the

United Kingdom, India, and the United States and has shared his skills with students and colleagues around the world. Renowned as an authority on corneal disorders, he performs advanced surgeries. While living in India, Dua performed thousands of free operations on poor patients with cataracts and glaucoma at free eye clinics sponsored by Rotarians and nongovernmental organizations.

"The poverty and simple lives of the villagers and the huge difference [the] operations made to them, and to the lives of children who had to spend time away from school to guide the people around, was plain to see," he said. "There was no escaping the enormity of their need and our [medical team's] ability to fulfill some part of it."

More recently, Dua is credited with discovering a previously undetected layer of the human eye that is located at the back of the cornea -- a discovery that was reported in the journal *Ophthalmology* in May. Called Dua's layer, it is much thinner than a human hair. Its discovery is expected to make corneal transplant surgery safer and simpler, and to contribute to knowledge about some diseases affecting that part of the eye.

In accepting the Foundation award in Lisbon, Dua said, "If I were to pick one defining period from amongst all the years, it will have to be, without any doubt, my trip to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as a Rotary Group Study Exchange team member. . . . [It] had a profound positive influence on my thinking and actions, and I would like to believe, through me, to so many others -- students, patients and colleagues -- whose lives I have touched."