CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—this week - Greg Paschal 4-Way Test—next week – Natalie Fox Program—Jane Page Thompson Sep Invocation—Don Wells Sep Greeters—Bud Coward & Jerry Hughson Sep Student Hosts—Regena Brackett & Ruth Alexander

GUESTS

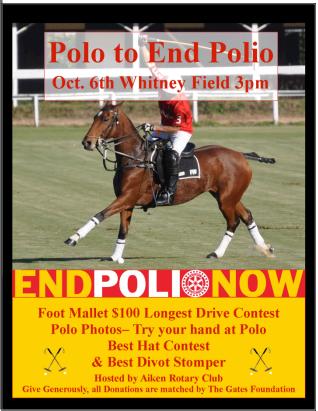
Ed Scanlon Speaker

Savannah Turner Student Guest **Carter Hunt** Student Guest Ginger & Bob Keenan Parent Guests

Guest of Bill Rogers Karen Guevara Austin Jackson Guest of **Stan Jackson Rob Novit** Visiting: Aiken Sunrise

AIKEN ROTARY CLUB: FALL OUTING

The Aiken Rotary Club Fall Social will be held on October 6 at 2:30pm for a polo match at Whitney Polo Field. Sign up sheets will be available at today's meeting. The event is free to members and \$20 for guests.







Rotary Club of Aiken PO Box 685 Aiken, SC 29802 (803) 648-5676 Monday, 12:30 PM **Newberry Hall** 117 Newberry Street, SW www.aikenrotary.org

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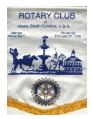
Vicki Bukovitz (2014)Jason Stewart (2014)John McMichael (2014)Henry Krippner (2015)Chuck Munns (2015)Van Smith (2015)Collette Ball (2016)Liz Neal (2016)Will Williams (2016)

Sergeants-at-Arms

Chair: Richard Holley Robert Stack Ross Culligan Richard Herring Tom Calhoun

Wayland Lamar John McMichael





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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Amy Winn

Bill Tucker introduced Ed Scanlon from the Aiken Polo Club last week.

Ed shared the basics of the sport of polo that included a historical perspective and Aiken's role:

- Polo is a 2000 year old sport that originated in Pakistan (then known as India)
- Polo was first introduced in the U.S. in the late 1860s.
- A polo field is the equivalent of four football fields
- The object of the game is to drive the ball between the goal posts
- Goal posts are 24' apart and 11' high
- A polo mallet is between 48" and 54" long
- Balls are slightly larger than a baseball, currently made from plastic and travel at almost 100 miles per hour after a hard hit
- Polo ponies are really horses

In the 1920s and 1930s when the U.S. was the dominant polo playing country in the world, Aiken was the breeding ground for the top polo players.





PROGRAM TODAY

MARK THOMPSON

CURRENT HEALTHCARE REFORM UPDATE
AND ITS IMPACT ON BUSINESS,
SEPARATING FACT FROM MYTH

FUTURE PROGRAMS

OCT 7 Dr. Sandra Jordan, Chancellor;

USC Aiken

OCT 14 NO MEETING

OCT 21 TBD

BIRTHDAYS

10/2 Mike McNeill

10/2 Tommy McCullough

CLUB MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

9/30 Cindy Meares (2002)





HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

TEN YEARS AGO - SEPTEMBER 2003

We were finishing another Habitat House and its dedication was in late September of 2003 on a Sunday afternoon. Pictured along with the Habitat House was Robert Stack and McDonald Law who were rushing to plant the last pieces of shrubbery before its dedication. We had built another Habitat House in partnership with First Baptist Church. That was the fifth Habitat House that we sponsored.

OUR PAST - "THE GEAR" SEP 1993

(Like father--like son)-as we inducted into our Club in September 1993, a Bill Paschal. Bill was no stranger to Rotary as he had been a member in Shelby, NC. Bill is no longer a member of our Club, but his son is now—Gregg Paschal. Bill Paschal was a great kayaker and passed some of his love and knowledge of the kayak to one of our current members, Dr. Tom Cofer, who has in his back yard 11 kayaks and two canoes. Tom was one of the first to utilize the new Horse Creek kayak and canoe trail. (And does Gregg Paschal kayak)?

CLASSIFICATION NOTES & VACANCIES

As noted in several issues of "The Gear" we are listing from our Classification List each week several vacant classifications. Vacancies include the following trades and fields: Sanitation; Scouting; Retailing-Tires; Retailing-Sundries; Retailing-Sports Equipment; Retailing-Shoes; Retailing-Musical; Retailing-Meats; Retailing-Ladies Wear; and Retailing-Jewelry.

CLASSIFICATION TALK: MONICA KEY

By: Amy Winn



Monica joined
Bridgestone 14years-ago. Her
current
responsibilities
include
community
relations,
serving as a
public
information
officer and

supporting 350 team members in her role as HR manager for two areas of the plant. Before going into manufacturing, Monica worked for 10 years in retail as an administrative manager for Lowe's where she served in a number of management roles.

Born and raised in Aiken County in the small town of Vaucluse, Monica never imagined that she would be working only three miles away at Bridgestone's \$1.2 billion facility. Her husband Bruce is a nurse and they have two grown children—one 18 and one 23-years-old. She loves reading and football.

Monica has been actively involved in supporting a number of non-profit organizations and wanted to become a Rotarian because of their commitment to serve the community.

AN UPDATE ON SEPTEMBER'S STUDENTS-OF-THE-MONTH

Last week, we welcomed again the first students of the 2013 – 2014 Rotary year. South Aiken High School student, Savannah Turner, hosted by Ruth Alexander, and Carter Hunt, from Aiken High School, hosted by Regena Brackett.



Savannah Turner addressed the club. She told us more about her activities. She is passionate about Student Council, mission trips, and community service. She thanked the Aiken Rotary Club for being her host and said she can envision being a Rotarian one day as well. Her parents Ginger and Bob Keenan were also in attendance.



In addition to what we have already learned about Carter Hunt, last week we learned that he has been participating in swim meets over the

past couple of weeks. His most recent meet was last Wednesday. We will welcome him today as he addresses the club.