

## CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Barry Adams  
4-Way Test—*next week* – Philip Merry  
Program— Liz Stewart  
Nov. Invocation— Susan Winsor  
Nov. Greeters — Jeremy O’Donnell & Lee Boyleston  
Nov. Students – Kristin Livingston (SAHS), Sophia Gerstenberger (AHS)  
Nov. Student Hosts – Regena Brackett & Judy Chun

## GUESTS

Mike Crapps	Speaker
Sophia Gerstenberger	Student guest
Kristin Livingston	Student guest
Sue Gerstenberger	Student parent
Paul Gerstenberger	Student parent
Karen Livingston	Student parent
Jeffrey Reynolds	guest of Joe Lewis
Ted Nissen	guest of Joe Lewis
Jeff Spears	guest of Joe Lewis
Dave Canestrari	guest of Karen Guevara
Gene Hart	guest of Jennifer Hart

## MAKE-UPS

John McMichael	Club Service 11/6
Barbara Morgan	Rotary Reader 11/9
Barbara Morgan	Pancake Breakfast 11/30

## NEW MEMBER SPONSORS



Dr. Sandra Jordan, Jennifer Hart, Philip Merry, and Carolyn Emanuel-McClain all received membership pins for sponsoring new members this quarter.

Cont. from **PROGRAM LAST WEEK**



There are twelve Federal Reserve banks and seven members on the Board of Governors, which make up the Federal Open Market Committee and share responsibility for supervising and regulating certain financial institutions and activities, for providing banking services to depository institutions and the federal government, and for ensuring that consumers receive adequate information and fair treatment in their business with the banking system.



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# THE GEAR

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## **PROGRAM LAST WEEK**

By: Catie Rabun

Last week, President Joe Lewis introduced our speaker, Mike Crapps. Mike is the President and CEO of First Community Bank. Mike spoke to the club about the Federal Reserve.

In 1836, after the closing of Second Bank, the nation was without a central bank or nationally issued currency and instead had fragments of small banks. In 1890, there was a call for action. This resulted in the 1910 Jekyll Island “Duck Hunt” which created the Federal Reserve System with 12 regional clearinghouses and required mandatory membership for national banks. Today, the Federal Reserve’s mission includes: conducting the nation's monetary policy by influencing the monetary and credit conditions in the economy in pursuit of maximum employment, stable prices, and moderate long-term interest rates; supervising and regulating banking institutions to ensure the safety and soundness of the nation's banking and financial system and to protect the credit rights of consumers; maintaining the stability of the financial system and containing systemic risk that may arise in financial markets; and providing financial services to depository institutions, the U.S. government, and foreign official institutions, including playing a major role in operating the nation's payments system.

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## PROGRAM TODAY

# LAUREN KANTZ & STUDENTS

## NORTH AUGUSTA ROBOTICS TEAM

### FUTURE PROGRAMS

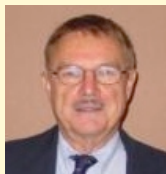
DEC 7	Mid Year Assembly
DEC 14	Christmas Program
DEC 21	NO MEETING
DEC 28	NO MEETING

### BIRTHDAYS

11/30	Alicia Kough
12/1	Robert Stack
12/2	Tom Cofer

### CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

12/1	Chuck Leopold (2008)
12/1	Ruth Alexander (1988)



## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

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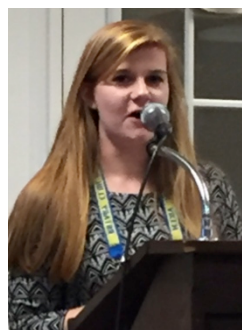
Continuing our November emphasis on the Rotary Foundation, we find that in November 2005 our speaker for one of the programs in that month was District Governor Elect, Richard Waugh of the morning Rotary Club. Richard told us about the many programs that Rotary is committed to worldwide. Richard described the many ways to contribute to the Foundation. Rotary's goal was for every Rotarian to contribute annually to the Foundation-"Every Rotarian every year." Our Club then responded with six Rotarians pledging a total of \$700 a year for the Foundation to be included in their quarterly bill. And one Rotarian provided a gift of \$500. Our club's goal back then was for each Rotarian to pledge something that fit their budget. Today we have the option to contribute something to the Foundation through our quarterly statements.

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Rotarian Regena Bracket introduced Sophia Gerstenberger from Aiken High for her final visit last week. Sophia is in the Advanced Placement program at Aiken High. She is a

Teacher Cadet and an Interact member. Sophia addressed the club and thanked Rotarians for allowing her to sit in on the weekly meetings this month. She stated that Rotary's role in the community is much greater than she imagined. Sophia's parents, Sue and Paul were present at the meeting.



Rotarian Judy Chun introduced student guest Kristin Livingston from South Aiken during her final visit last week. Kristin is 1<sup>st</sup> in her class, part of the NJROTC, in the Youth Praise Band at

her church, and a Mathnasium instructor. Kristin addressed the club and thanked the Rotary Club of Aiken for the opportunity. She also thanked her host. She stated that her time with the club was inspirational and motivational. She would like to give back to those around her as she is thankful for her blessings and has a desire to serve.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **November Focus: Rotary Foundation**



Following Foundation updates in previous weeks from Chuck Munns, Jon Notestein, and Joe Shields, Tommy Wessinger spoke to the club about how he supports the Foundation because of its success in nearly defeating polio through the Polio Plus Program. In 1985 Rotary took on the effort to eradicate polio when there were 350,000 children worldwide with the disease. Today, 30 years later, it is virtually wiped out and close to eradication.

### **Night of 1000 Lights**

Night of 1000 Lights will be held on Thursday, December 10 from 5pm to 9pm. The Rotary Club of Aiken will be volunteering and handing out cocoa and hot cider. The social committee would like Rotarians to sign up for a 30-minute interval.

### **Habitat for Humanity**

The 100<sup>th</sup> Home Built Celebration will be held on Sunday, December 13 from 4-6pm. RSVP by December 4 to aiken-100th@hotmail.com.

### **Rotary Scholarships**

The Rotary Club of Aiken scholarship application is live on the club website: [www.aikenrotary.com](http://www.aikenrotary.com). The scholarships are for \$2500. Scholarship awards consider students' extracurricular activities, the importance they attach to furthering their education, examples of their dedication to Rotary's "Service above Self" motto, challenges they have overcome, their financial need for the scholarship, and their own efforts to address these financial needs.