CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—this week – Mike Willis
4-Way Test—next week – Bud Coward
Program—Joe Shields
December Invocation—Liz Neal
December Greeters —Rick Osbon & Leighton McLendon
December Student Hosts — Dog Rabold & Buzz Rich
December Students — Madeline Diaz & Ian DeMass

GUESTS

Speaker

Speaker Guest

Linda McLean

Christine Townsley

Faust Speaker's Hound Ben Shumpert Student Guest Tyler Perez Student Guest Judy Chun guest of Catie Rabun Dick Rudisill guest of Van Smith Ellen Priest guest of Scott Hunter Sharon Worley guest of Liz Stewart Mark Funderhurt guest of Liz Stewart **Furman Cantrell** visiting Batesburg-Leesville Lancer Shull visiting Batesburg-Leesville John Gerrick visiting Belfast, Maine Rob Novit visiting Aiken Sunrise

MAKE-UPS

John Lindsay Club Service 11/18
Lynn Sheppard Club Service 11/18
Beth Everett eClubOne 11/18
Scott Hunter Club Service 11/11
Richard Church eClubOne 11/4, 11/11

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY: U.S. MAP PAINTING PROJECT

On Saturday, November 16, Aiken Rotary Club Members and Aiken High School Interact Members joined forces to paint a map of the United States at Jefferson Elementary School.

A special thank you to: Joe Shields, Stan Smith, Tammy Burke, Beth Everitt, Robby Bowles, Mallory Holley, Richard Holley, Barbara Morgan, Tony Harris and Lyn Kenney for all of their help with the Aiken High School Interact Club Map Project at Jefferson Elementary School. Also, a very special thank you to Don Wells for donating the paint for the project.





IN THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR, DECEMBER 2013 IS...

FAMILY MONTH



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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Catie Rabun



Last week, **Bill Tucker**, introduced Program Speaker Linda Knox Mclean. Linda spoke to the club about the Aiken Hounds, the importance of Hitchcock Woods, as well as the Blessing of the Hounds event that takes place every Thanksgiving morning.

The Blessing of the Hounds is the kickoff for the Aiken Hounds opening fox hunt

every year. This year's Blessing will mark the centennial for the Aiken Hounds. The event takes place at Memorial Gate in Hitchcock Woods. The Hitchcock family originally purchased the 8000 acre jewel for Aiken County (now 2000 acres) which is held in trust for the benefit of the community.

Linda is a Trustee for Hitchcock Woods and has a great love for the history of the sport, the outdoors and conservation. Today the foxhunt is not a live hunt. The fox scent is carried through the Woods on a dragline that allows the hounds to track and lead the hunters following on horseback. Linda brought Foust, a hound, to visit.

PROGRAM TODAY

PRESIDENT JOE SHIELDS MID-YEAR CLUB MEETING

FUTURE PROGRAMS

DEC 9 Bill Taylor, Tom Young, and Don

Wells Topic: Annual Legislative

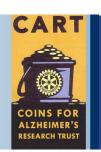
Update

DEC 16 Christmas Luncheon Social

DEC 23 NO MEETING

BIRTHDAYS

12/2	Tom Cofer
12/2	Clifton Jones
12/7	Bob Newburr
12/8	McDonald Lav



EVERY COIN COUNTS



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

TEN YEARS AGO - DECEMBER 2003

We were "gearing" up for our Christmas Social to be held at Rye Patch on Thursday, December 4th. It was a good evening with a good buffet and was headed up by Rotarian Tom Hofstetter. The annual Christmas Party was provided at no expense to our membership and spouses. Barbara Scott provided delightful piano music and the chorus from Schofield School provided more musical mirth.

OUR PAST - "THE GEAR" DEC. 1993

We inducted into our Club in December 1993, a new member: Fred Andrea, who was sponsored by Raleigh Daniel. Since then, Fred has come to be one of our great promoters (on and off the pulpit) as he wore the Rotary tie last Sunday in the pulpit). Fred was our President from 2001-02. (And even married one of our female members later on)! Congratulations Fred on 20 years of service to our Club. (Now another member whose past and birth {1945?} was not recorded in "The Gear" of ancient times, but who has been a member since 1976, celebrates a birthday today--ole Dr. Cofer)!

CLASSIFICATION UPDATES

Continuing our listing of open classifications from our Classification list, we provide the following open classifications: Home Economist; Hairdressing-Beauty Salon; Hairdressing-Barber; Government-State; Gases; Forestry-Tree Farming; Food Processing; Fine Arts Administrator; and Express and Transfer.

NOVEMBER'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH ADDRESS THE CLUB



the Club to November student-of-the-month, Ben Schumpert, one final time last week. Ben thanked Rotary for the opportunity to join us for the month of November. He plans to

go to college next year but he hasn't decided where. After being around Rotarians this month, he has realized even more that the prosperity of his life won't have to do with grades, college, career, or money. He intends to find prosperity by devoting time to help others. He hopes to join Rotary one day in the future.



Richard Pearce introduced the Club to our South Aiken High School student-of-themonth, Tyler Perez for the final time before Tyler addressed the club. Tyler told the club more about his

NJROTC involvement and his intentions to join the Army after graduating. He will go to Oklahoma in July to train to be a practical nurse. He thanked the club, Meredith Cook, his host, and all the Veterans in the club. He saluted their service and he said he is happy to follow in their footsteps. Tyler's mother and sister were present.

TWO NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED ON NOV. 18



Bennett Bowers: Banking-Investment

Bennett was inducted into the Rotary Club of Aiken on November 18. Bill Tucker was his sponsor and introduced him to the club. Bennett is the VP of Commercial Banking at First Citizen's Bank.



Karen Guevara: Engineering-Environmental

Karen was inducted into the Rotary Club of Aiken on November 18. Bill Rodgers was her sponsor and introduced her to the club. Karen is retired but she was the Assistant Manager at the Savannah River Site.