

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Bud Coward
4-Way Test—*next week* – TBD
Program—Susan Winsor
Feb. Invocation—Regena Brackett
Feb. Greeters — Sandra Jordan and Molly Jones
Feb. Student Hosts—TBD
Feb. Student Guests—TBD

GUESTS

Muhammad Risvi	Student guest
David Stoner	Student guest
Kaneez Barnes	Student parent
Mark Barnes	Student parent
Mike Hertzberg	guest of Robert Stack
Della Hertzberg	guest of Robert Stack
Tony Distefano	guest of Robert Stack
Alan Corey	guest of Robert Stack
Sandie Nicoliasen	guest of Robert Stack
Heather Sargent	guest of Robert Stack
Elizabeth Smith	guest of Robert Stack
Anne Thomasson	guest of Robert Stack
Jason Mengel	guest of Robert Stack
Wilkins Byrd	guest of Robert Stack
Keyatta Priester	guest of Gary Stooksbury
Bill Inman	guest of Gary Stooksbury
Joel Peterson	guest of Joe Shields
D. Hollingsworth	guest of Kay Benitez
Nat Greene	guest of Paul Dusenbury
Rob Reynolds	guest of Regena Brackett

MAKE-UPS

Catie Rabun	Club Service 1/5
Alan Bateman	eClubOne 12/15
Alan Bateman	eClubOne 1/5

JANUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH

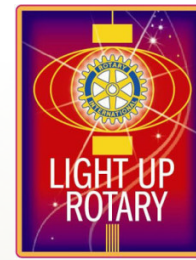
Last week, student host, Leighton McLendon, introduced Aiken High School student, Muhammad Risvi, a final time before Muhammad addressed the club. Muhammad thanked the group. He said he learned a lot about our community even though he's lived here his entire life. He said he wants to find meaning in his studies to make the world a better place.

Last week, Regena Brackett introduced South Aiken High School student, David Stoner. David has a passion for mathematics. He recently attended MIT for an internship and will be delivering a talk on that internship in Texas this month.

LITTER PICKUP

Reminder: Litter pickup day is THIS SATURDAY, February 7.

Contact Rick McLeod for more details or information.



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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Amy Winn

The Historic Aiken Foundation held their 2015 Preservation Awards ceremony on Sunday, Jan. 25 at the Aiken County Historical Museum. Vice President Robert Stack, who is also a member of Aiken Rotary, shared an update from this event at last week's Rotary meeting. Following a brief recap of award-winning projects from previous years, Robert recognized the recipients of this year's Preservation Awards:

Adaptive Use Award: Fusion Capital for the house they renovated and turned into an office.

Leadership Award: The Whitney Trust and the Aiken Polo Club for the new pavilion at the Whitney Polo Field that was designed/constructed to be compatible with the nearby historic structures.

Stewardship Awards:

- Don and Sandie Nicolaisen for renovating/restoring the Clark Barn, a brick structure on Mead Ave.
- Anne Thomasson for preserving and renovating the Carriage House Inn.
- The Congregation of Adath Yeshurun Synagogue for restoring their 90-year-old temple.

Wilds-Lipe Treasured Home Award: Heather Sargent for purchasing and renovating Newberry Cottage.

The purpose of the Historic Aiken Foundation is to encourage the protection, preservation and appreciation of the architectural heritage of Aiken, S.C. Over the past 11 years, the foundation has recognized more than 75 preservation efforts.

PROGRAM TODAY

MOLLY COOPER

AIKEN TECHNICAL COLLEGE; CELL TOWER INSTALLATION

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- FEB 9 Jim Rhodes, Equine Rescue
- FEB 16 **NO MEETING:** President's Day
- FEB 23 Sandra Langley, Special Projects Coordinator/A-A-H Coordinator Aiken County Solid Waste Division

BIRTHDAYS

- 2/6 Camille Furguele

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/4 Richard Herring (2008)
- 2/4 Philip Merry (2013)
- 2/6 Billy Benton (2006)



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

Last Wednesday's edition of the "Aiken Standard" carried a very nice news report of an Aiken native who commanded a dramatic rescue last Sunday night of three adults and a baby from the sea off the coast of Hawaii. That pilot of that rescue helicopter comes from a long line of military and patriotic individuals. That pilot's sixth great-grandfather was a Colonel in the Revolutionary War (notwithstanding the fact that he was on the British side and was a Tory)! During the War of Secession (Civil War for those Yankees in our midst), he had five great-great-grandfathers who fought for the Confederacy (one lost an arm at Gettysburg). During the Great War (WWI), that pilot had a great-uncle who fought in the trenches in France (the family still has his WWI blanket). In WWII, the pilot of that Coast Guard helicopter, had two great uncles who fought in Germany. Then the pilot's father, just prior to Viet Nam, served his military time as an officer in the Coast Guard. Afterwards, during the height of the Viet Nam conflict, his father was offered the command of a 95 foot patrol boat on the Mekong River if he would come back into service (he respectfully declined)! During the height of the Iraq War (2005) the pilot's brother, a Major in the SC National Guard, commanded a South Carolina company of 178 men in the conflict there and brought all 178 back without a loss or injury. Needless to say, that pilot's mother, Linda, and father, Edward O., are very proud. (Please pardon my puffed-up, patriotic, political, pontifications that are penned, proclaimed, or published)!

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS AWARDS



Leonard Brower, Sam McGill and Bob Byrne all received +1 Paul Harris Fellows awards at the meeting last week.

NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED INTO THE ROTARY CLUB OF AIKEN

Last week, it was announced that the Rotary Club of Aiken would, for the first time, surpass the 180-member mark (183 to be specific). Four new members were inducted, taking our club to this level. President Barbara Morgan thanked Doug Rabold and Stan Smith for their efforts and initiative on the membership committee.

New members include:



Diana Riddick, owner of work and home organization company, Simplify (sponsored by Judy Chun)



Jason Rabun, Vice President at First Citizens (sponsored by Bill Tucker)



Ahmed Samaha, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Life at USC Aiken (sponsored by Liz Stewart)



Phillip Dunn, Senior Pastor at Millbrook Baptist Church (sponsored by John McMichael)

CART



EVERY COIN COUNTS