

## CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Greg Roberts  
4-Way Test—*next meeting* – Joe Shields  
Program— Barbara Morgan  
August Invocation— Grant Wiseman  
August Greeters — Catie Rabun and Lee Boylston

## GUESTS

Diana Floyd	Speaker
Kathryn Wade	Speaker
Tim McClendon	guest of Joe Lewis

## MAKE-UPS

Karen Bowles	Club Service, Trash Pickup 8/4
Richard Pearce	Club Service, Trash Pickup 8/4
Vicki Bukovitz	Club Service, Trash Pickup 7/28
Tom Cofer	Club Service, Trash Pickup 8/4
Bill Tucker	Club Service, Trash Pickup 7/28
Clay Killian	eClubOne 8/4
Fred Andrea	eClubOne 8/4

## **POLIO VICTIM OVERCOMES DISABILITY, SPEAKS OUT**

By: Devin Thorpe, *Salt Lake City Rotary Club*  
Article featured on Forbes.com



*Alem Mumuni with  
his coach Alex Main*

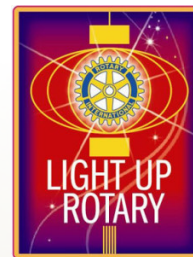
Alem Mumuni contracted polio at the age of two in Ghana, a place where few people ever overcome the burdens of the crippling disease, but he has beaten them all, becoming a well-educated, world-class athlete.

The continent of Africa may soon—if it hasn't already—experience its final case of polio. The mere handful of polio cases this year suggest the virus is on the ropes in Nigeria, the last country in Africa where the disease is considered endemic by the World Health Organization (WHO). [Rotary International began the global fight against polio about thirty years ago].

Mumuni has become a potent spokesman for Rotary International, speaking out about the difficulties of the disease and inspiring people to support the campaign to end polio not only in Africa, but globally. As a Paralympic athlete from a developing country, he is also in a constant battle to raise money to fund his travel and training. Readers may learn more about his crowdfunding campaign on Kriticalmass.

With the help of his British coach, Alex Main, Mumuni has established the Alem Foundation, which serves to fund his training and travel and to inspire people around the world to rise above their challenges. [...]

Dr. Carol Pandak, director of Rotary International's polio plus program, is leading the charge to end polio around the world with Africa being the region most likely to celebrate the end of polio. She, along with Main and Mumuni will join [Thorpe] on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 11:00 AM to discuss polio in Africa and Mumuni's inspiring efforts to compete in the Paralympic Games in Rio Di Janeiro in 2016.



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**www.aikenrotary.org**

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**District Governor**

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Ron Parker	(2017)
Grant Wiseman	(2017)

### **Sergeants-at-Arms**

Chair: Richard Holley  
Robert Stack  
Richard Herring  
Tom Calhoun  
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# THE GEAR



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## **PROGRAM LAST WEEK**

By: Jason Price



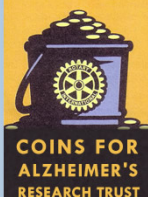
Following an introduction by Rotarian Jeff Howell, Diana Floyd and Kathryn Wade shared the challenges and blessings encountered in assisting locals at Aiken Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center (Life Choices). Life

Choices is a Christian-based, non-profit organization designed to offer counseling and educational programs related to the childbearing process. Life Choices centers its mission on three principles: empowering women to carry their unborn children to term; helping men and women to understand God's design for their lives; and equipping men and women to become quality parents.

Life Choices' primary method to its service recipients is through encouragement. The Center encourages its recipients to make the best use of their talents to move forward spiritually, physically, and financially. When recipients demonstrate genuine commitment to personal development, items such as car seats and diapers can be acquired through Life Choices.

Because Life Choices operates primarily on a donation-based budget, they appreciate all monetary contributions for their cause. They are hosting a fundraiser on October 23, 2014, which will feature former United States Senator Rick Santorum as its keynote speaker.

**CART**



**EVERY COIN  
COUNTS**

## PROGRAM TODAY

DOUG RABOLD & PEGGY FORD  
BEHIND THE RED BADGE

## FUTURE PROGRAMS

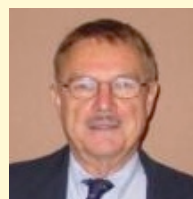
AUG 25 Clifton Jones; Economic Forecast  
SEP 1 **NO MEETING, LABOR DAY**  
SEP 8 Reed Miller, Georgia-Carolina  
Council Chairman, Boy Scouts of  
America; Scouting in the CSRA and  
the Country as a Whole

## BIRTHDAYS

8/19 Brian Bernard  
8/21 Sara Wood  
8/21 Tom Calhoun  
8/23 Jennifer Hart

## CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

8/23 Chrissa Matthews (2010)



## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

### TEN YEARS AGO - AUGUST 2004

We had a huge number of visitors at our first meeting in August 2004. Twenty visitors including many politicians, since it was an election year and Senator Graham was our guest speaker (though he was not running in that year). Some visitors included Congressman Jim DeMint; SC Rep. Skipper Perry; three aids of Senator Graham; three kids of three different Rotarians; three media reps of three different TV stations; and two visiting Rotarians.

### OUR PAST - 20 YEARS AGO-AUG 1994

In mid August 1994 we were awarding perfect attendance pins to the following: Richard Pearce and Bill Tucker (One year); Len Browder (4 years); Owen Clary (20 years); John McClanathan (21 years); Clint Foster (25 years); Ron Wheeler (29 years); and Wade Brodie (33 years). Richard Pearce was the only Rotarian who made all meeting at his home Club. Owen Clary had made up the most meetings outside of his home Club.

### HISTORICAL NOTES & FACTS- "THE GEAR" AUG 1984

"Well, the Democratic Convention and the Games of the XXIII Olympiad are over, although we will be hearing about both at great length and in great detail for a long time to come. Now if we can get through the Republican Convention we can get on with the PGA Tour." (Anyone remember who was nominated at the Demo convention and where the Olympics were held)?

## ROTARY READERS

The Rotary Reader program begins reading in both schools the week of **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, with training the week of **September 9<sup>th</sup>**. If you haven't signed up yet and are interested, contact one of the Co-Chairs of our Club's Rotary Reader Project: Peter McCormick at 803-226-9803 or Sharon Rodgers at 803-648-8331.

## NEW MEMBER INDUCTED: BRENDA STEIN

Rotarian Liz Stewart introduced new member, Brenda Stein, to the Rotary Club of Aiken last week. Barbara Morgan performed the induction ceremony.



## INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES GUATEMALA TRIP

Lyn Kenney announced last week that she is in the process of planning the next trip to Guatemala in early 2015. If you are interested in finding out more about the trip and possibly joining the group, please call or email Lyn Kenney at 925-518-4444 or [LynKenney@aol.com](mailto:LynKenney@aol.com).

