

Wheels in Motion - Volume XIX, Issue 4 - Friday, August 2, 2024

President's Message

By Mary Ellen Good on Thursday, August 1, 2024



It is hard to believe that we are one month into the new Rotary year! At last Friday's meeting, District Governor C J Crooks made his official visit to SBI. CJ engaged the Club with a rousing game of "Family Feud", Rotary style. He led us through a series of questions with the answers based on "100 Rotarians" polled, and quite honestly, the SBI family did really well with our answers!

The Q & A session allowed SBI to ask our District Governor to explain the change in District Grant funding and the negative impact on our Club this year. We expressed our concern over the lack of communication of this impending change, and the long term potential impact of this change.

Late Monday evening I received a text from CJ expressing his gratitude for our hospitality and appreciation for sharing our views. As a result, CJ expressed that he "heard" our concerns and advised us that SBI has the potential to receive up to an additional \$2800 in District Grant Funding (the District portion). He stated that, should clubs not take advantage of District Grant funds, he is committed to provide additional funds to the four large clubs (SBI being one) most adversely affected by the District Grant calculations for this year. Service Chair Mike Hebert has submitted additional District Grant requests which are due by August 5.

This Friday, SBI welcomes Christian Byrd to our SBI Rotary family. August is designated as "Membership" month, what a great way to begin the month as Christian becomes our newest member. I hope you will be there to welcome Christian!

Yours in Service,
Mary Ellen

Upcoming Events:

August 10: At the Ball Park (Ducks vs MB Pelicans @ Kinston) 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$25 each with Picnic Buffet Included
August 17: Membership Seminar at Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home from 10 am @ 3 pm. \$15 Registration Fee reimburse
August 24: District 7720 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Parts I, II & III. Begins 8:15 am. Registration reimbursed.
September 14: District 7730 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Parts I, II & III. Begins 8:15 am. Registration reimbursed.
October 3 @ 7: Charleston to the Bahamas, District Conference at Sea (Carnival Sunshine)

Club Meeting

South Brunswick Islands
Meets at Ocean Ridge Plantation,
Tamers' Restaurant
351 Ocean Ridge Pkwy SW
Tamer's Club House
Ocean Isle Beach, NC 28469-5416
Time: Friday at 07:30 AM

Program

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Welcome: President, Mary Ellen Good

Invocation:

Pledge of Allegiance

Breakfast

Sgt.-at-Arms: Introduction of
Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Announcements

Program: Steven Rice, Stop
Soldier Suicide

Happy Dollars

100 Club and 50/50

4 Way Test, Of the things we
think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Events

August 2nd
**South Brunswick Islands
Weekly Club Meeting**

August 9th
**South Brunswick Islands
Weekly Club Meeting**

August 16th
**South Brunswick Islands
Weekly Club Meeting**

August 23rd
**South Brunswick Islands
Weekly Club Meeting**

August 27th
SBI Monthly Board Meeting

Birthdays

Maureen McMahon
August 3rd
Lin A. Kelly
August 18th
Barbara Ann Dresser
August 28th

Years of Service

David Vanasse
08-24-2012
12 Years
J Calvin Chandler
08-27-2021
3 Years
Kimberly Besser
09-17-2021
3 Years
Nathan B. Broce
09-16-2022
2 Years
Jim Devlin
08-25-2023
1 Year

Club Leaders



Mary Ellen Good
President



Carl Pica
President-Elect



David B Versaggi
President-Nominee
Club Public Image Chair
Vice President



David Vanasse
iPast President



Timothy Daniels
Past President



Pamela Giarrusso
Secretary



Lin A. Kelly
Club Executive
Secretary
Club Learning Facilitator
Treasurer



Kim S Barnarr
Club Admin Chair



Kimberly Besser
Sergeant-at-Arms



Jim Devlin
Club Co-Chair Public
Image

SBI Program: Steven Rice, Stop Soldier Suicide

By Timothy Daniels

Veteran Suicide is not a topic that people want to have a conversation about. But if you watch some of the local news (WECT) or if you're a 60 Minutes fan, it is front and center. I am involved in a local fundraiser that is trying to create awareness of an organization that provides no-cost, confidential counseling to Veterans and Active-Duty Military, all branches, that suffer with PTSD.

The organization is STOP SOLDIER SUICIDE and they are headquartered in Raleigh. Their goal is to reduce the suicide rate 40% by 2030. That rate is estimated to be as high as 44/day. I got involved because a buddy's son became a PTSD, Soldier Suicide Statistic 6 months after he returned from Afghanistan in 2020. Captain Austin Murga, 82nd Airborne, Ranger Tab based at Ft Liberty died by suicide on September 7, 2020. Nobody saw it coming! We're trying to change that and create awareness. The fundraiser we hold is in St. James. Last year we were able to raise just over \$100,000 for Stop Soldier Suicide.

Below is a photograph of Captain Murga's parents.



Save the Dates for Coastal Carolina Outreach Oct.-Dec. Volunteer Opportunities

By Kim S Barnarr

SBI Rotary has opportunities during October-December to continue our Club's support of Coastal Carolina Outreach (CoastalCarolinaOutreach.org), whose mission is to improve the well-being and mental health of teens through nature, connection, art, and education.

Listed below are Coastal Carolina's planned events/activities during October-December, all of which need some assistance from volunteers. Later this year the org.'s website will have links for volunteers to register electronically to help with labor and/or supplies for each event. In the meantime, please "save the date" for all of the events below that look like something you would be pleased to participate in.

Thank you!

October 19: Teen Halloween Party (volunteers to make themed treats, help with games and clean-up) Starts at 1:00 PM
November 23: Friendsgiving (volunteers to help with set-up, supervising, helping with activities, and clean-up) Starts at 1 :00 PM

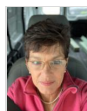
December 7: Holiday Bingo (volunteers to make food, serve food, set-up, takedown) Starts at 6 PM

Festival of Trees: Not sure of date yet, but need some help decorating our tree (mid-Nov)



Michael Hebert
Club Service Chair

Baseball! August 10th Pelicans Vs Wood Ducks



Carol Strother Petrea
Club Rotary Foundation
Chair



Cindy H. Reed
Sergeant-at-Arms



Robert F. Stinson
Club Membership Chair



Jennifer Hardee
Vanasse
RYLA Chair
Club Young Leaders
Contact
Club Youth Services
Chair



Frances M. Wyle
Club Sunshine
Committee Chair

Rotary
District 7730

SEE YOU AT THE BALL GAME!

VS

MYRTLE BEACH
PELICANS

DOWN EAST
WOOD DUCKS

JOIN DISTRICT 7730 AT THE BALL GAME ON
AUGUST 10, 2024

400 EAST GRAINGER AVE.
KINSTON, NORTH CAROLINA

PICNIC BUFFET MEAL INCLUDED

START TIME IS 5:00 PM

TICKETS \$25.00 PER PERSON

BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

Register through DACdb

If You Missed The Blood Drive, Here Is Your Next Opportunity!

By Michael Hebert



Community Blood Drive
Sponsored by South Brunswick Islands Rotary
Held at Beulah Baptist Church
670 Hickman Road NW
Calabash, NC 28467
Friday, August 9th, 2024
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

To make an appointment please visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor Code: SBI/Rotary or Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767.
Please arrive with a picture ID and come well hydrated.
Visit www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass on the day of the drive to answer the health history questions and reduce wait time.

ALL ELIGIBLE DONORS URGENTLY NEEDED!!!
Donors needed! Come give blood in August for \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See rcblood.org/Help



Scan to schedule

Membership Seminar

Membership Seminar Rotary District 7730

What happens if we don't engage our members?
August 17, 2024
10am - 3pm

Your Club's Data
Work directly with your club's data for a plan customized to you

Health Check
Is your club healthy from the numbers?

New Strategies
Learn new strategies for member retention!

Lake Waccamaw
Support the Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home with your Registration

Calling All Membership Chairs

Personalized Data
Focused Support

Only \$15 Registration (includes Lunch)
Local Expertise

Register in DACS

Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home

Clubs in Brunswick County

Rotary around Brunswick County

Leland Area Rotary Club

Meetings: Thursday - 7:30 am
Brunswick Center at Leland
121 Town Hall Drive
Leland, NC 28451

Shallotte Rotary Club

Meetings: Thursday, 12:30 pm
Planet Fun/Starz Grille
349 Whiteville Road (Rt. 130)
Shallotte, NC 28470

Southport Rotary Club

Meetings: Wednesday, 12:30 PM
Hampton Inn & Suites Southport
4820 Porrt Loop Road SE
Southport, NC 28461

Southport Evening

Meetings: Tuesday, 5:30 pm
Southport Tap & Cellar
827 N. Howe Street
Southport, NC 28461

Rotary just over the State Line

Little River Rotary Club

Meetings: Wednesday at 12:00 PM.
Hurricane Juel's
4499 Mineola Avenue
Little River, SC 29566

Little River Rotary Satellite Club

Meetings: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM.
Mulligan's Sports Bar
1359 US Hwy 17
Little River, SC 29566