



January 8, 2023

Events

January 10th

[The Reedy River Greenville Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Alan Calloway

Subject: State of the Club

January 17th

[The Reedy River Greenville Monthly Board Meeting](#)

January 24th

[The Reedy River Greenville Weekly Club Meeting](#)

January 28th

[The Reedy River Greenville: Community Service - TreesUpstate](#)

Years of Service

Rachel Rutkowski
01-11-2022
1 Year

Birthdays

Randy S. Jacobs
January 4th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

See you at the Commerce Club



It's been too long, and it will be wonderful to see everyone again at our first meeting of 2023! Come join us at the Commerce Club at 5:30pm for networking and fellowship, followed by our Club Assembly with dinner. We will hear the State of the Club as we embark on a new calendar year.

The Commerce Club is located at 55 Beattie Place, 17th floor of One Liberty Square. Having a headcount for the meeting is important. Remember to RSVP for each meeting through one of the numerous ways available: [DACdb](#), email with [Prudence Taylor](#), or [ReedyRiverRotary.org](#).

Leave your denim and flip flops at home and join us in business casual attire so as to comply with the Commerce Club's dress code.

Parking is available under or across the street from One Liberty Square. The pricing for parking is below.

- Daily Rate (1st hour): FREE
- Daily Rate (2nd hour): \$2.00
- Daily Rate (each additional hour): \$1
- Max Daily Rate: \$7.00 (per entry)

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Meeting Program/Speaker

By Ann H. Golden

1-10-23 - Club Assembly - *State of the Club*, Alan Calloway, President-Elect
1-24-23 - Regular Meeting - *Vocational Transition Story*, Dr. Stan Reid, Foothills Presbytery
2-14-23 - Regular Meeting - *Club Charter Night*
2-28-23 - Regular Meeting - *REEM GVL (Racial Equality and Educational Mobility)*, Rev. Stacey Mills, ED
3-14-23 - Regular Meeting - **REWA** - *Bandalong, cleaning up the Reedy River*, Chad Lawson, REWA, Director of Communication
3-28-23 - Regular Meeting - *Mast General - History & Community Partnerships*, Lisa Cooper, President
4-11-23 - Regular Meeting - *Paul Harris Birthday & Village Engagement | Predatory Lending*), Susan Stall, Program Coordinator
4-25-23 - Regular Meeting - *Refugee Resettlement* - Brandon Baugh, Office Director, World Relief Upstate

Meetings Via Facebook Live

Members continue to have the option of attending meetings in person or virtually. Virtual meetings will be accessible via Facebook Live. Go to the Club's Facebook page, or click [here](#), to access the Facebook stream. Please do continue to use the email from Club Secretary, Prudence Taylor, to sign up for each meeting using DACdb.

This Month is . . .

Vocational Service Month

Taken from District 5790

- Adherence to and promotion of the highest ethical standards in all occupations, including fair treatment of employers, employees, associates, competitors, and the public.
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, not just those that are pursued by Rotarians.
- The contribution of your vocational talents to solving the problems of society and meeting the needs of the community.

During January, Rotarians are encouraged to focus on this important avenue of Rotary service. Discussions on vocational service can lead to projects that not only develop the ethical consciousness and vocational skills of Rotarians but also the talents within their communities. Vocational Service Month is an opportunity to begin year-long vocational service activities, ranging from Rotary discussions to awards to community projects. The following are some suggested activities to undertake during Vocational Service Month:

- Devote a meeting in January to examine the second Avenue of Service, including The Four-Way Test and The Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions. After expanding members' awareness, solicit their input in planning projects for the remainder of the year.
- Introduce a "mini-classifications talk" series in which each member gives a five-minute talk on his or her vocation. Schedule one speaker for the beginning of each meeting until everyone has made a presentation. The purpose of these talks is to promote vocational awareness among Rotarians and help them recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations.
- Present a vocational award to someone in the community who has exemplified outstanding professional achievement while maintaining very high ethical standards. Promote the presentation within the community, and consider making it an annual October event.
- Invite experts to give a presentation on the vocational needs of the community and develop a project in response to those needs. Possible projects could focus on developing character, providing career information to youth, mentoring small businesses, or organizing workshops that provide employees with new skills.
- Encourage club members to put their vocational skills to work as a Rotary Volunteer.

For more information, visit www.rotary.org

Marchi Selected for Transit Academy

Club President Theresa Marchi has been selected to the 2023 Citizens Transit Academy where she and others will learn about the workings of Greenville's public transportation system and future plans. Topics for discussion will include

- Greenlink's services
- Operations and safety
- Finances
- Bus stops and route planning
- The Transit Development Plan

Once someone graduates from the Citizens Transit Academy, they'll be "recognized as a knowledgeable representative of public transit." It sounds like a meeting topic for us in the making. Congratulations, Theresa!

Club Christmas Party Delightful



From Sandy Wright's Jingle Juice to a delicious spread ranging from appetizers to desserts to festive games, our Club's Christmas Party was merry and bright. A beautifully decorated River Walk community clubhouse allowed Sandy and Rachel Rutkowski to lay the groundwork for a fun event. Club Members contributed food for the meal and mingled together in fellowship before sitting down to enjoy dinner. A challenging game of Christmas trivia enabled all to engage and leave with, or be reminded of, additional knowledge of Christmas trivia and, no doubt, a smile on their faces. Many thanks to Sandy and Rachel for organizing and for everyone who contributed and attended.



Members of Reedy River Rotary and their guests at the 2022 Christmas Party

Rose Bowl Float



This year's Rotary International float won the "Princess Award," which means it was judged to be the best float under 35 feet. In fine company, other big-name winners included NASCAR, Trader Joe's, and the San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance. Rotary's connection to the Tournament of Roses Parade dates to 1923 when the Rotary Club of Pasadena entered a float. Today, the Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee heads up the effort to design and produce Rotary International's annual entry. Members, clubs, and districts donate all the money for the floats, which over the years have depicted Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio, commitment to service, and various programs.

Jan 15 - Duck Derby Sponsor Deadline

January 15th is the last date to accept sponsorships for the Duck Derby. We continue to need

every Club Member to do their part and secure a sponsor for the 19th Annual Reedy River Duck Derby. Sponsorships are what keep our expenses low and profits high (read: more money for our charities) each Derby season. The link for the sponsorship form is below. Let's finish this campaign in a strong position for this year's Derby.

The sponsorship form can also be accessed on our Club website if you hover over "About Our Club" and select "Documents". On that page you'll want to select the "Reedy River Duck Derby" folder. This will have a lot of the documents you might need this year, including the sponsorship form. We need you to step outside of your comfort zone and make some "asks" to potential sponsors. Club Members are here to help. Partner up with one or two and approach a business together to tell them how the Duck Derby supports our town and many good organizations in it.

[Sponsorship Form](#)

Jan 16 - Health & Happiness

Join us for
"Rotary
Health &
Happiness"
on January
16th from
5:00-7:00.



California Dreaming, 40 Beacon Drive in Greenville, will be hosting all Upstate Rotarians to come out and mix, mingle, and share events and ideas to grow Rotary in the community. Bring \$5 *cash* for the 50/50 raffle. Each person needs to RSVP to Suzy Tumblin, easily done by going online to [DACdb](#) (so the restaurant can be prepared to accommodate the right size group).

Health and Happiness - Registration required

The 50/50 drawing will reward one person half of the money collected while the other half goes to Rotary Charities of the hosting club. In this case, Rotary Club of Greenville will be adding to their charity fund.

Healthy clubs are Happy clubs and Happy clubs are HEALTHY clubs. Come Grow With Us! Potential Rotarians WELCOME! (Just bring your \$5) Questions about this event or having your club host a future H & H event? Call Suzy 864-275-6882 or Sunny Handa 864-346-7878.

Jan 24 - Feed & Seed Service Opportunity

Through networks, programs, and facilities, Feed & Seed Co. strives to improve the health and well-being of all citizens by **increasing access to nourishing local foods** and **establishing a truly sustainable food system** built on profitable farms and independent markets. Their fresh food box program provides local families in need with a healthy variety of fresh vegetables and other items sourced from our local farmers and food makers.

Club volunteers will assist in packing the boxes with fresh produce for local families. Dates for the packing event are:

- January 24, 2023
- February 21, 2023

Twelve volunteers are needed from 10:30am to 12:30pm. Accommodations can be made for all physical abilities. The Feed & Seed Co. is located at 701 Easley Bridge Rd., Suite 6010, Greenville, SC 29611. Enter at the "Market".

Click [here](#) to volunteer and be sure to let Eric Krichbaum know the number of hours of service you provide.

You Can Serve - Join In!

1-28-23 - 9am-Noon - TreesUpstate - Trees Upstate is an organization that Plants, Promotes, and Protects trees across several counties in the Upstate. They will be planting approximately 150, 3-gallon trees to restore ash tree habitat being destroyed by the emerald ash borer, an invasive pest in our region, at the Conestee Nature Preserve on Saturday, January 28th. The preserve is located at 840 Mauldin Rd, Greenville, SC 29607. The event will start at 9 am and finish around noon. You will need to wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty. You may want to bring your own gloves as well (some are usually available if needed).

Please note: If you want to participate, you will also need to register on the [Trees Upstate website](#) so they can get a count of participants. You will receive specific instructions for the event from Trees Upstate.

2-11-23 - 9am-Noon - Adopt-A-Road - Wear clothes appropriate to picking up trash where roadside vegetation can be overgrown (long sleeves, pants, closed toe shoes, etc) and the Club will provide gloves, pinchers, and trash bags. Club Members will be picking up trash along Conestee Lake Road. This event will fulfill the Club's quarterly obligation to pick up trash as participants in the Greenville county Adopt-A-Road program. For planning purposes, the event is expected to start at 9 and end by noon. Plan to meet at the parking lot at **202 Conestee Road** (in front of Bosco Baby's Restaurant and Catering). This is a tricky place to find, even with GPS assistance. The intersection of Conestee Lake Road and Conestee Road is oh-so-close to Bosco Baby's and other industrial-type businesses.

Contribute to The Quacker

If you are unable to use EzStory in DACdb, submit something for *The Quacker* by emailing the information to megcoffey@yahoo.com. Submissions must be received by the Wednesday prior to the next meeting.

Club Mailing Address

Please use this address for all club correspondence, remitting dues (unless you pay online), and Duck Derby business.

Rotary Club of Reedy River Greenville
Box # 500
325 Rocky Slope Rd, Suite 104
Greenville, SC 29607

Club Meeting

The Reedy River Greenville
Meets at The Commerce Club (2nd & 4th Tuesdays Only)
55 Beattie Place Floor 17
Greenville, SC 29601
Time: Tuesday at 05:30 PM

Club Leaders

[Theresa Marchi](#)
Past President
President
Public Image/PR Chair

[Alan Stewart Calloway](#)
President-Elect

[Rachel Rutkowski](#)
President-Nominee
Sergeant-at-Arms

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Club Admin Chair
Secretary

[Edward F. Irick III](#)
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