



April 7, 2024

Events

April 9th
[The Reedy River Greenville Weekly Club Meeting](#)

April 20th
[The Reedy River Greenville: DD24 Shed Party](#)

April 23rd
[The Reedy River Greenville Weekly Club Meeting](#)

April 25th
[The Reedy River Greenville: 2024 Duck Derby VID Party](#)

April 30th
[The Reedy River Greenville: DD24 Strip & Tag Party](#)

Years of Service

Cynthia Fryer
04-01-2018
6 Years

John B Moore Jr.
04-26-2022
2 Years

Birthdays

Melissa Miller
April 5th

Rachel Rutkowski
April 21st

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Meeting Time Change



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Club Meeting Location

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Club Meetings are held at Holly Tree Country Club in Simpsonville. Come join us at 6:00pm for socializing, followed by the meeting at 6:30pm. The address is 500 Golf Club Drive, Simpsonville, SC. **Some GPS apps do not map correctly if you select "Holly Tree Country Club."** Be sure to use the address to get to the correct location.



REMINDER: Beginning January 1, 2024, Club dues no longer cover the cost of your meal at meetings. Any items ordered at Holly Tree Country Club, whether food or drink, are the responsibility of the ordering Club Member.

Meeting Program/Speaker

By Ann H. Golden

4-9-24 - Regular meeting - **CART** - *Bill Shillito, Past District Governor, Dist. 7670*

4-23-24 - Regular meeting - **On Track Greenville** - *Taylor Dockter, Assistant Director*

5-14-24 - Regular meeting - **Derby Celebration**

5-28-24 - Regular meeting - **Rotary Youth Exchange and RYLA Candidates** - *Wade Cleveland, District RYE Chair*

6-11-24 - Regular meeting - **Zonta Club of Greenville** - *Elaine Braeuning, District Chair*

6-25-24 - Regular meeting - **Awards and Installation**

CART - Bill Shillito, PDG, Former Executive Director of CART



After high school, Bill enlisted in the US Army where he served 22 years and then completed a bachelor's degree from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. From there, he completed a master's degree from Central Michigan in Personnel Management and an MBA from Harvard. Bill and his family then moved to take a job at the US Military Academy at West Point, where he taught Economics, Finance, and Accounting to cadets for three years.

Bill's distinguished military career included many awards, and he retired from the US Army in 1992. He and his family returned home to North Carolina where he took a position with Prodelin, an antenna manufacturing company.

In 2003, Bill joined with a business partner to begin a startup company offering high speed internet access to five counties around the Greater Hickory Area and later sold to a regional internet service provider in 2019.

Bill is active in his community, serving as District Governor for the 52 Rotary Clubs and 2,800 Rotarians in western North Carolina in 2007-08. A four-time Paul Harris Fellow and a Bequest Society Member, Bill served as the CART Fund Executive Director from 2008 until 2021, growing the Rotary participation from 11 Rotary districts to 23. Bill currently serves as the Chair of the Alzheimer's/Dementia Rotary Action Group.

Bill and his wife, Diane, attend First United Methodist Church in Newton.

This month is . . .

Maternal and Child Health Month

Rotary makes high-quality health care available to vulnerable mothers and children so they can live longer and grow stronger. We expand access to quality care, so mothers and children everywhere can have the same opportunities for a healthy future. An estimated 5.9 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, inadequate health care, and poor sanitation – all of which can be prevented.

Rotary provides education, immunizations, birth kits, and mobile health clinics. Women are taught how to prevent mother-to-infant HIV transmission, how to breast-feed, and how to protect themselves and their children from disease.

Duck Derby Meeting

Next Duck Derby meeting: April 10 2024 at 6:30pm via Zoom.

Rotary Club of the Reedy River Greenville is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: DD24 Committee Meeting

Time: Apr 10, 2024 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85149115692?pwd=T3dVYmhpOW1jS3NwYWl4ZVhXdFJBdz09>

Meeting ID: 851 4911 5692

Passcode: 779163

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Important Derby Events



Mark your calendars:

- Shed Party, April 20, 2024, 9am-Noon. The Space Shop storage facility, H6, 1868 Woodruff Road, Greenville, SC. Read entry instructions for code 1052. Rain date is April 28th.
- VID (Very Important Duck) Party, April 25, 2024, 6pm. Come thank the sponsors of our signature event at the Embassy Suites on Verdae Blvd. All Rotarians are urged to participate .Stripping and Tagging Party, April 30, 2024, beginning at 5pm. Sign up and bring a friend or two on DACdb.

On Derby Day - May 4, 2024 - all hands on deck for the many jobs that need to be completed. Shifts start as early as 5am and the day ends with washing the ducks at the car wash (a treasured time to relive the day). There's a spot for everyone, so please make sure Elizabeth Clark knows your availability so that you get your preferred spot at the Derby.

Work to Complete for the Duck Derby

Shades and Rotarian Needed - SECOND REQUEST

Everyone is busy; we get it. If you have not been approached about your role in our 20th Annual Reedy River Duck Derby, this is a perfect way to get involved. A Rotarian and a Shades are needed for an event with DAT Make GVL Greener from Noon to 4pm at Unity Park on Saturday, April 20, 2024. Let Meg Coffey know if you can help out with this event because she is not available due to a church vestry commitment that day.

Duck Adoption Update



We are about to reach 7,000 adopted ducks and that's a fantastic increase over the last newsletter. We anticipate that all 14,000 will be adopted before race day. Current adoptions available include:

- Single duck: \$10
- Quack Pack of 5 ducks for \$30 (ending soon; 4 ducks for \$30 after that)

Remember to hand out our business card-sized QR code or a Duck Adoption Paper to all you know. Entice them with:

- the chance to win \$1,000,000 (just before the race, 3 random numbers are selected by the software; if one of those numbers is on the first duck across the finish line, that's a \$1,000,000 winner!)
- 1st prize: a year's worth of groceries from Publix
- 2nd prize: \$2,500 cash
- 3rd prize: 3-night stay at Grand Bohemian Lodge

And there are plenty of other [prizes](#) listed on our website.

Many of our Duck Adoption Teams have surpassed their starting goals of adoptions including:

- Carolina Youth Symphony
- Lucky Pup Rescue
- Rotary Club of Clemson/Sunrise

Grant Applications Due April 12th

Applications for the grant money through the Duck Derby close on Friday, April 12. The money raised as a result of our hard work is distributed to many charities. Be sure your contacts have completed theirs by the deadline.

The application is available on the home page of our Reedy River Duck Derby website and at [this link](#).

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 Holly Tree Country Club (2nd & 4th Tuesdays Only)
500 Golf Club Dr.
Simpsonville, SC 29681
Time: Tuesday at 05:30 PM

Club Leaders

[Alan Stewart Calloway](#)
President

[Laurie M. Rapp](#)
Treasurer

[Ann H. Golden](#)
Club Director
Club Programs Chair

[John B Moore Jr.](#)
Club Director

[Melissa Michael](#)
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[Rami Elmarkiz-Sami Michael](#)
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