

# THE BEAUFORT ROTARY CLUB

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about partnering with the Rotary.

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## Need a Meeting Makeup?

**2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 12:15 pm:** Sea Island Club Rotary Club

**Fridays, 7:30 am:** Rotary Club of the Lowcountry

All clubs meet at Sea Island Presbyterian Church



# THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

# THE WHEEL

09/11/2024

## Rotary International's Impact on Childhood

# LITERACY

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**, a global service organization, is deeply committed to improving childhood literacy as a cornerstone of its mission to create positive, lasting change in communities worldwide.

Rotary's work in this field is rooted in the understanding that literacy is not only a fundamental human right but also a crucial stepping stone to overcoming poverty and fostering sustainable development.

Rotary's literacy initiatives are diverse, addressing the various challenges that children face in accessing quality education. Below are some key aspects of Rotary's efforts to improve childhood literacy:



### BOOK DISTRIBUTION AND LIBRARY CREATION:

Rotary clubs around the world are involved in the distribution of books and the establishment of libraries in schools and communities. In areas where educational resources are scarce, these initiatives provide children with access to books, which are essential for developing reading skills and fostering a love for learning.

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# ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUFORT

89 Years Strong – Chartered November 1934

## Program Lineup Today

Today: Dale Douthat, President, and Bethany Marcinkowski, VP of Education Impact – United Way of the Lowcountry

## Club Calendar

Sept. 18: Mark McCain, ShelterBox Ambassador

Sept. 25: Robbie Morrison McAlister, Originally from Hampton County, SC; Missionary having lived 10 years in Kiev, Ukraine, and now works on the Ukraine border helping refugees

Proposed Member Lauren Nelson, Sponsored by Frank Gibson

## TODAY'S SUPER DOOR PRIZE \$1,719 6 CARDS REMAINING

Congratulations to door prize winner **Greg Brunson** for winning a gift card to Grayco donated by **Billy O'Neal**

Today's door prize winner has a chance to win the SUPER DOOR PRIZE by pulling the winning playing card. If the Ace of Spades is not picked, the drawn card will be retired, and 20% of the door will be added to the pot for next week's raffle. Tickets are \$2.00 for one and \$5.00 for three. Contact Robert Bussa (312-927-5860) or Jay Patel (843-252-2745) regarding your donation.

### DONORS FOR DOOR PRIZES

- Sept 11 – Jay Patel
- Sept 18 – Wayne Promislow
- Sept 25 – Allan Rae
- Oct 2 – Jami Rankin

## ROTARY BOWL NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

Nominations are now being accepted for consideration to receive this high honor from our club — THE ROTARY BOWL. Those who receive this award are people in the who have been the most active/most productive/most helpful, in our club and community, representing the best example of what we aspire a Rotarian to be. The recipients are a reflection of our purpose and can even be an outstanding member of the community who best represents that what we hold dearly as Rotarians. Submit nominations to Owen Hand [owenhand@gmail.com](mailto:owenhand@gmail.com)

**WELCOME VISITORS & GUESTS:** The Rotary Club of Beaufort extends a warm welcome to all our visitors and guests. We hope to see you again in the very near future.

### TODAY'S AGENDA

- Lunch is Served • Call to Order • Pledge
- Introduction of Visitors and Guests
- Business and Announcements • Program
- Club Response • Final Remarks & Drawing
- Meeting Adjourned

### REMEMBER MEETING ETIQUETTE

Nametags and Rotary pins on, phones off. Please refrain from holding conversations when

someone is addressing the club. Thanks for exercising proper courtesy.

### PURCHASE A MEAL TO GO

Because our club guarantees a specific number of meals for each meeting, we often have additional meals available to-go for \$5 each. Place your order with Robert Bussa, Ron Garrett or Jay Patel prior to the start of the meeting.

### THANK YOU FROM THE SGT-AT-ARMS COMMITTEE

The Committee thanks those Rotarians who come early to set up and those who stay after to close up.

### TEACHER TRAINING AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT:

Recognizing that well-trained teachers are vital to effective literacy education, Rotary partners with local schools to provide professional development workshops. These workshops equip teachers with innovative teaching methods and resources, enhancing their ability to engage students and improve literacy outcomes.

### COMMUNITY AND PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT:

Rotary emphasizes the importance of involving the broader community, especially parents, in literacy efforts. By educating parents on how to support their children's learning at home, Rotary helps create a supportive environment that reinforces literacy development beyond the classroom.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

Rotary understands the importance of early intervention in literacy. Many Rotary clubs focus on early childhood education programs that introduce young children to reading and writing, laying a strong foundation for their future educational success.

### COLLABORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS:

Rotary often collaborates with other organizations, governments, and educational institutions to maximize the impact of its literacy initiatives. These partnerships allow Rotary to expand its reach, bringing literacy programs to more children and communities around the world.

Through these multifaceted efforts, Rotary International is making significant strides in improving childhood literacy. By equipping children with the ability to read and write, Rotary not only enhances their educational opportunities but also empowers them to break free from the cycle of poverty and build a brighter future. Rotary's commitment to literacy is truly transformative, creating long-lasting change in communities across the globe.

## CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY

with a contribution to The Rotary Club of Beaufort Endowment Fund. Annual earnings from contributions to our club's endowment fund help to provide scholarships to area high school students, as well as financial support for select club initiatives. Please donate today! Contact Greg Dyson — 843-524-3962 or [gdyson1947@gmail.com](mailto:gdyson1947@gmail.com)

## MEMBER MILESTONES

### MEMBERSHIP BIRTHDAYS

- Rachel Simpkins, 11 September
- Robert Bussa, 11 September
- Wyman Haigler, 17 September

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Roy Tripp, 09/16, 42 years