

THE BEAUFORT ROTARY CLUB

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**2024
GOLD**

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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

10/23/2024



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL has played a pivotal role in the global fight to eradicate polio, a devastating disease that once paralyzed hundreds of thousands of children annually. In 1985, Rotary launched its PolioPlus program, becoming the first private-sector organization to commit to the worldwide eradication of the virus. This initiative aimed to immunize children worldwide and raise awareness about the importance of vaccination.

Rotary's efforts are part of the broader Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), which began in 1988 in partnership with the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), UNICEF, and later, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. At the time of GPEI's launch, polio was endemic in 125 countries, and an estimated 350,000 cases were reported each year.

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ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUFORT

89 Years Strong – Chartered November 1934

Program Lineup Today

Vince Avantiato, Growing Up With Polio

Club Calendar

Oct 30: NO LUNCH MEETING (5TH Wed)

Nov 6: Military Service Member of the Year Recognition

Proposed New Member

Allen Patterson, Owner of Allen Patterson Builders

Sponsor: Nick Hunt

Our club has proudly provided grants to the following organizations during the 2024/2025 club year:

South Carolina
Nurse Retention Initiative
Lowcountry Legal Volunteers
Savannah Honor Flight

United Way of the Lowcountry
Early Grade Reading Program
Rotary Youth Exchange: One
inbound and one outbound

TODAY'S SUPER DOOR PRIZE \$144 50 CARDS REMAINING

Congratulations to door prize winner **Barry Wilson** for winning a gift card donated by **Shelby Robert**.

DONORS FOR DOOR PRIZES

Oct 23 – Larry Rowland
Nov 6 – Dan Russell
Nov 13 – Rachel Simpkins

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.



WORLD POLIO DAY IS 24 OCTOBER



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

Howard Heckrotte, Jay Patel and Robert Bussa, would like to thank those Rotarians who come early to set up and those who stay after to close up.

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Through decades of advocacy, fundraising, and mobilization, Rotary has raised over \$2.6 billion and contributed countless volunteer hours to the cause. Its members have participated in immunization campaigns across the globe, even in the most remote and dangerous areas. Rotary's influence extends beyond financial contributions, with volunteers playing an essential role in logistics, education, and delivering vaccines to communities.

Due to these efforts, wild polio cases have decreased by over 99%, with the virus now endemic in only two countries: Afghanistan and Pakistan. The organization continues to work closely with international partners to ensure that the disease is fully eradicated and that vaccinations are sustained.

Rotary's commitment to a polio-free world demonstrates the power of global collaboration and grassroots advocacy in achieving significant public health milestones. Its role remains crucial as the world stands on the brink of making polio the second human disease, after smallpox, to be eradicated.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RI FOUNDATION COMMITMENT TODAY!

Donating to the RI Foundation supports sustainable projects that are empowering communities worldwide and creating lasting, positive change for future generations. You choose how much and how often to give. And, any gift can be donated to a specific fund – End Polio Now, an individual global grant, or one of Rotary's areas of focus.

Online credit card contributions can be made monthly, quarterly, or annually. To set up your personal recurring giving, visit your personal account page at my.rotary.org/rotary-direct. You can also enroll by calling the Rotary Support Center at +1-866-9ROTARY (+1-866-976-8279), writing to rotarysupportcenter@rotary.org, or see Ethan James for assistance.

MEMBER MILESTONES

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

Swinton Anderson, 10/23/13, 11 years
Hugh Gouldthorpe, 10/27/21,
3+7 = 10 years
Claude Dinkins, 10/30/23,
1+42 = 43 years
Gregg Brunson, 10/30/23, 1 year
Allan Rae, 11/01/07, 17+24 = 41 years
John Ballantyne, 11/01/91, 33 years

MEMBERSHIP BIRTHDAYS

Duncan Fordham, 28 October

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Graham Holcombe, 10/23, 20 years



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