

Rotary

Club of Hilton Head Island



Soundings January 30, 2025

OUR MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE
USCB HILTON HEAD CAMPUS
1 SAND SHARK DRIVE

[CLICK HERE](#) after 12:20pm to join the meeting via ZOOM

A menu is posted at the beginning of the buffet line. It is especially important for you to review this menu carefully if you have any food allergies.

Have you visited the [Rotary Club of Hilton Head Island](#) online?

www.hiltonheadrotary.org
www.facebook.com/HHIRotary

You can also find activities online from the [Low Country Environmental Club](#)

Visit their Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/HHIRotaryLowcountryEnvironmentalClub
Please remember to "follow", "like" and "share" when visiting the page

The [Low Country Environmental Club](#) meetings are held in the **Buckeye Room at Mangiamo's**.
Meetings are the **1st and 3rd Wednesday** of each month starting at 5:30.



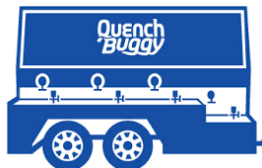
Club Speaker

January 30th: [Ezra Callahan](#)
"Business Expo"

Club Events

No formal HHI Rotary Club events are scheduled for the week

Support the [Lowcountry Environmental Club](#) and the [Quench Buggy Project](#)
Donations for the Quench Buggy Project are accepted through this link: <https://gofund.me/b58728f2>
Please share this link with family and friends



Over **3 million plastic water bottles** are discarded each year on Hilton Head Island!
Substitute a refillable water bottle for plastic. And donate to our [Quench Buggy Campaign!](#)

Club Meeting

Hilton Head Island
Meets at ZOOM and USCB-
Hilton Head Campus

Lunch available at noon

USCB - Hilton Head Campus
1 Sand Shark Ln
Hilton Head Island, SC 29928

Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Speakers

January 30th
Ezra Callahan
Business Expo

February 6th
Wayne Boutwell
Encompass Health

February 13th
Mark Wilson
"The Enduring Legacy of
Scottish Poet, Robert Burns"

February 20th
Mel Campbell
Gullah Community

February 27th
Russell Baxley
Beaufort Memorial Hospital

Events

No events for the upcoming
Rotary week

Birthdays

David Deaton
January 24th
Nancy Williams
January 25th
Matt Hunt
January 27th
Cathy Robine
January 28th
Ken Courter
January 31st
Deborah Burt
February 2nd

Wedding Anniversaries

Dafina & Ahmad Ward
January 29th
"You're special!"

Years of Service

Jim Robinson
Feb 1, 1985
40 Years
John Snodgrass
Feb 1, 1996
29 Years
Sarah Hobson
Feb 1, 2024
1 Year
Michael Fitzpatrick
Feb 1, 2024
1 Year

Club Leaders



[John C. Boretti](#)
Secretary

The **Quench Buggy Campaign** fundraising goal was **\$70,000**

The **Low Country Environmental Club** achieved their fundraising goal last week. Administrative costs remain to support start-up although the original \$70,000 goal was achieved.

Congratulations!

*Thank you to all who have contributed to and actively supported our **Quench Buggy Project!***

We will share additional Low Country Environmental Club updates when available.

"Lady, lady show me that magic again..."



Each day we have the opportunity to experience our own moment of *The Magic of Rotary*.

Write down the memory of that magic moment and place it in our Rotary Magic hat.

We will read *The Magic of Rotary* moments during club meetings throughout the year, anonymous or otherwise.

We have a Magic of Rotary text number: [\(803\) 392-3685](tel:8033923685) if you prefer to text your Magic moment.



Remember to bring books to the **Little Free Library**



Hilton Head Island Rotary Club News

****Bio Update - DACdb****

Please take a moment to review and update your information in DACdb.

Go to DACdb.com, type in your email address as your Login.

Click "Forgot Password" to reset if you do not remember your password.

The most important information is your telephone number and email address.

Rotary Club Dues

The January Rotary Dues Invoice was sent out by email on **January 1**.

Please contact Cindy Whalen if you have not received your dues invoice.

Cindy's email address is: office@hiltonheadrotary.org

Club Rotarian Health and Well-being



Deborah L. Burt
Vice President



Jason T. Stevens
Treasurer



Ezra Callahan
Club Director /
Board Mem Year 2



Tricia B. Lynch
Club Director /
Board Member
International
Services



Kathleen Sangiuliano
Club Public Image
Chair



Tamara Bream
Fund Raising
Director



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Club Foundation
Chair



Terri Kolander
Membership Chair



Ahmad T. Ward
Sergeant-at-Arms



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Club Service Chair



Henry C. Noble
Club Programs
Chair



Jean K. Vahey
Club Programs
Chair



Daniel Godsun Sr.
Youth Services
Chair



Jody L. Levitt
iPast President



Mark O'Neil

Mark returned home to Malvern and recently started assisted care in the afternoon and early evening.

Mark's outpatient care is taking place at Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital. Bryn Mawr is one of the best in the country. Mark is using the outpatient services 3 days a week for OT, PT, and speech.

Mark's family will situate him to participate in Zoom calls so hopefully we will soon see Mark remotely at Rotary meetings.

Mark's mailing address is: 100 Rossmore Drive, Malvern, PA, 19355.

Mark's cell number is (610) 246-9155

Please feel free to call and send cards and letters.

The Caring Bridge link below openly shares Mark's progress and challenges on his road to recovery.

Please continue to support Mark and Mark's family in whatever way possible.

The Caring Bridge site provides frequent updates on Mark's condition:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/site/bf903264-97aa-11ef-bccc-9f9c115a7905>

You may contact Mark's wife, Ann, at: anndoneil@comcast.net

Upcoming Events

ROTARY CLUB OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS EXPO JANUARY 30th

Please contact **Jody Levitt** - jody.levitt@thechildrenscentersc.org if you would like your business represented



Enhance Your Rotary Learning In-Person RLI Part 1, 2, and 3 Hosted by District 7770

Saturday, February 22, 2025

Check-in begins at 8:30 pm

Class run from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Technical College of the Lowcountry

New River Campus

100 Community College Drive, Bluffton, SC 29909

Registration of \$95 includes all materials plus lunch

Join us and bring a friend

Any questions, contact your RLI District Chair, Tom Ledbetter at tom.ledbetter.rotary@gmail.com

Link to register:

<https://Registrations.DACdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77802487&NoCaptcha>

****Save-the-Date****

Hilton Head Island Hall of Fame presented by the Rotary Club of Hilton Head Island Thursday, May 8th

Details shared during the March 27th weekly Rotary meeting

Would you like to share photos, stories, and media related to our **Hilton Head Island Rotary Club**?

Please mail to: HHIRotaryPR@gmail.com

Did You Know?

- In 1995, our Hilton Head Island Rotary Club began a project to raise money for soccer fields, including lighting, at the new Crossing Park largely through the efforts of President John Wilson. The two-year project raised over \$35,000 through a series of coordinated youth raffles within public schools.

- In 1919, Rotary International expanded to South America with the chartering of a club in Montevideo, Uruguay. A second club was chartered in Argentina in 1920 and Brazil became the third country on the continent to have Rotary clubs in 1923.

Community Service

Rotary Club of Hilton Head Island 2025 Scholarship Announcement

The Rotary Club of Hilton Head Island is again offering academic scholarships to graduating high school seniors. Scholarship awardees are eligible to receive scholarship funding of **\$4,000 per year** for a maximum of four years. Applicants must be residents of Hilton Head Island although they may attend off-island high schools.

The scholarship application is available on the following link: <https://hiltonheadrotary.org> (top right-hand corner). The scholarship application along with the requested attachments and uploads must be submitted no later than Monday, April 28, at 11:59 pm.

An applicant's potential for post-secondary success at a two- or four-year college or university is evaluated utilizing the following parameters:

- Academic performance
- Financial needs
- Participation in school activities
- Community volunteer experience
- Work experience (if applicable)
- Letters of recommendation from two unrelated adults

Students planning to attend South Carolina colleges or universities receive preferential consideration.

The Rotary Scholarship Committee appreciates you encouraging Hilton Head Island high school graduating students to take full advantage of this opportunity.

Our 2025 Rotary Scholarship committee members follow:

Committee Chair: Karl Scharrer

Steering Committee: Terri Brashears, Peter Cooper, Sarah Hobson

Application Reviewers: Phil Anzalone, Terri Brashears, Peter Cooper, Sheila Duffy, Michael Fleenor, Karl Scharrer, David Stitzer, Jean Vahey

Youth Services Chair: Daniel Godsun

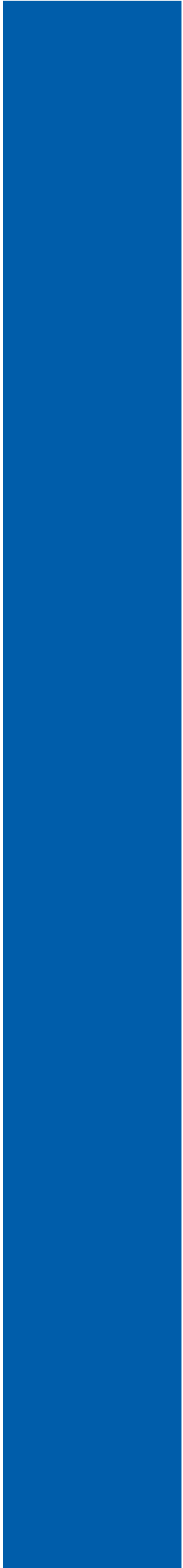


Image courtesy of Rotary Club Public Relations Chair, Kathy Sangiuliano

January 23rd Meeting

Mother Nature provided Hilton Head Island and our surrounding communities with a snowy **Winter Wonderland**. USCB was closed on January 23rd and our meeting was canceled.







Photos courtesy of Alice Scharrer

Hilton Head Island Club Rotarian in Central America

Hilton Head Island Club Rotarian, Dr Jeff Yung, visited a Rotary Club in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Jeff is seen attending a meeting and sharing our HHI Club banner.



Photos courtesy of Hilton Head Island Club President, Mario Incorvaia

Happy Dollars!

Let's support Alzheimer's research by making donations to the CART fund. Share a happy moment with fellow Club members and put money into the blue bucket on your table. Feel free to put money in even if you don't have something to share. All funds go towards research in order to curb or cure this horrible disease.

The Rotary has a dedicated CART Fund where **100% of your donation** goes directly to Alzheimer's research. By contributing to this fund, you can have a lasting impact on the lives of those affected by this debilitating disease.

To learn more and make a donation, visit the link below. Together, we can create a world without Alzheimer's.

<https://www.mycartfund.org/Join>

Do you have a Happy Dollars moment or event to share?

Upcoming Rotary Fellowship Opportunities



Thursday, February 6th 5:30 PM
Happy Hour at Red Stripes

840 William Hilton Parkway
To sign up, see or email Scott Hamlin



Rotary of HHI Pickleball Social

March 29th
10am - 12n

\$25 per person

Rotarians, family and guests are invited to an **INDOOR Pickleball social** at the new **Dill Dinkers** <https://locations.dilldinkers.com/us/sc/hilton-head/mathews-drive/>

Enjoy random play and a pot-luck lunch. Please bring a lunch style covered dish of your choice.

\$25 includes court time, a custom t-shirt (please include your shirt size), water, soft drinks and eating utensils.

LIMITED to 20 Players

Questions: email George Couch via georgecouch@comcast.net

Experienced Rotarians, family, friends and beginners are welcome!

Invite Your Friends To Attend!

Club members are encouraged to invite friends or visiting Rotarians to attend our weekly meetings as well as prospective members. Club members are also encouraged to invite friends and prospective members to participate in our many community service projects. It's an easy way to introduce someone to Rotary and potential members can see at a glance who else belongs to the Club. Remember to provide President Mario or Sergeant-at-Arms Ahmad Ward with information regarding potential visitors and guests so that they may be recognized at the meeting.

The Four-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?

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