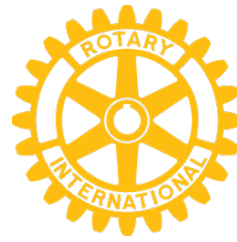


# Rotary

## Club of Spring Valley (Columbia)



Tuesday, November 12, 2024

### Meeting agenda 11.14.2024



#### Club Meeting

Spring Valley (Columbia)  
Meets at Northeast Presbyterian Church  
601 Polo Road  
Columbia, SC 29223  
Time: Thursday at 01:00 PM

#### Club Leaders



**Ted Rausch**  
President



**Denise LaRue**  
Ruben Satellite Club Chair



**Lachaska Salmond**  
President-Elect  
Vice President



**Holly Swan**  
Secretary



**William Keith Chichester**  
Treasurer



**Patricia A. Barclay**  
Club Service Chair



**Diane Wood Junis**  
Club Public Image Chair



**Brian P. Dunphy**  
iPast President  
Membership Chair



**Peter J. Stahl**  
Club Foundation Chair



**John Walko**  
Community Service Chair



**Michele L. Dunphy**  
Youth Services Director

#### Speakers

**November 14, 2024**  
Mary Beth Estes, Camp Discovery



**Menu: Hibachi chicken, fried and white rice, sautéed peppers and onions, house salad, dessert and tea**  
**Invocation and Pledge: Lee Roberts**  
**Health and Happiness: Craig Currey**  
**Announcements - President Ted Rausch**

**Today's Program: Introduced by Shelly Dunphy**  
**Mary Beth Estes, Development and Fundraising Specialist**  
**Camp Discovery, Blythewood, SC**



Since 1985, Camp Discovery has reached more than 40,000 children and young people from across the Midlands through hands-on learning experiences in nature. What started as a dream of bringing together people of diverse ages and backgrounds in a special place of "discovery" became a reality in 1985 when recreational therapist, Donna Johnson, founded what is now known today as Camp Discovery. Camp Discovery continues that dream today, providing quality field studies and camps for the youth of our community.

**Speaker contact:**  
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#### Pecan Sale - Featured Product

This week's featured product is our one lb. bag of pecan halves. They are simply the best! Delicious natural pecan halves, ready for snacking. Keep some on hand for any recipe that includes nuts! Young's natural mammoth pecans halves. The retail price is \$15.95 plus tax. Our special fundraising price is \$13. No tax because 100% of our proceeds benefit our local non-profits and scholarships. AND...they are NEW CROP. What does that mean? If you want pecans as "fresh from the trees" as possible, Young suggests ordering in November or December, which is exactly when we conduct our fundraiser. These are referred to as new crop pecans, and they're lighter with a more appealing color and a moist, robust taste. These are the freshest pecans available, first off the tree. Pecans can be frozen for up to a year.

**November 21, 2024**

Charles "Chuck" Fianning

Arch Klump Society - Rotary Foundation

**November 28, 2024**

THANKSGIVING DAY

NO MEETING

**December 19, 2024**

Brad Fleming, Harvest Pack

#### Events

November 12th

**Speed Networking Event**

November 16th

**Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-Up**

November 18th

**Transitions Service Opportunity**

November 21st

**SV Rotary Board Meeting**

December 7th

**Salvation Army Belling Ringing 2024**

December 16th

**Transitions Service Opportunity**

December 17th

**Rotary Readers at Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School**

December 19th

**SV Rotary Board Meeting**

December 21st

**Salvation Army Belling Ringing 2024**

Share this information with your potential customers and SELL, SELL, SELL



#### Rotary Readers at Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School



Our first reading session on Nov. 12th was a success! Thanks to these members for participating: Lindsay Agostini, Debbie Clark (Steve Junis's sister), Traci Cooper, Brian and Shelly Dunphy, Steve Junis, Peggy Merrill and Emma Mitchell.



The dates have been set for our 2024-2025 Rotary Readers Program:  
Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School

225 N. Brickyard Rd

Second Tuesday of the month, except for December, from 8-9 am:

Dec. 17 (third Tuesday); Jan. 14, 2025; Feb. 11; March 11; April 8

You'll spend 15 minutes with four second-graders.

Ideally, we need at least TWO MORE volunteers...the more volunteers we have, the more kids we can support with extra reading help or a mentor.

Sign up by contacting: Lindsay Agostini

[lindsayagostini@outlook.com](mailto:lindsayagostini@outlook.com), text or call: (803) 530-5571

#### Proposed New Member - John Runy



Charles Kerekes is proposing John Runy as a new member of our club. Welcome back John! John was a member of our club from 1996 to early 2000. He was also a member of the Fayetteville Rotary Club from 1987-1994.

John graduated from The Citadel in 1964 with a BA and continued his education at the University of Hawaii, where he gained an MA in 1966. John proudly served in the United States Army for 23 years before retiring. He was in the printing business for 35 years, founding Apexgraphix in 1994. He guided Apexgraphix to excel in many areas, but is most proud of establishing one of the first digitally advanced small printers in South Carolina. He recently sold the company and is now retired.

His hobbies include hunting and fishing, and he is a student of history and international affairs. He lives on Northlake Road in Spring Valley with his wife Carol.

<https://minutemanpressfranchise.com/news/2024/10/07/30-year-business-apexgraphix-converts-to-minuteman-press-franchise-in-columbia-sc/>

Thank you, Charles, for sponsoring a new member! Who do you know that needs to be invited to join our club? Will YOU sponsor a new member too?

### SIGN UP NOW!

**NEXT pick-up date: Saturday, November 16**

[Adopt-a-Highway Sign Up Link](#)

Join fellow Rotarians and SVHS Interact Students as we pick up trash on our section of Polo Rd. Meet in the parking lot behind the Taco Bell, at the corner of Polo and Two Notch Rd at **8:45 am, and we'll finish by 10 am.** Non-Rotarians, spouses, teenagers and prospective members are always welcome! Please wear gloves. All other materials will be provided.

**Questions? Contact Greg Seymour at [gseymour25@yahoo.com](mailto:gseymour25@yahoo.com)**



**Signed up are: Greg Seymour, Ted Rausch, Stan Luallin, Ginny Reed, Lindsay Agostini, Diane Junis and Iina Linna.  
Room for up to 5 more!**



### Meals on Wheels Delivery

**Signed up are:**

**11/14 - Shelly Dunphy and ONE VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

**11/21 - TWO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**11/28 THANKSGIVING DAY - Pick up time is at 9am - TWO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**12/5 - Lindsay Agostini and Phil Newsom**

**Isn't it time YOU signed up?**

**[MEALS ON WHEELS SIGN UP](#) link**



Thank you Paula Matthews for inviting Gary Hartman, one of our Meals on Wheels clients, to speak to our club on November 7th. He did an awesome presentation about the Armed Services Veterans Band that he is a member of. You never know who you will meet delivering meals!

Please sign up for a **Thursday** Meals on Wheels delivery. This involves meeting at

Spring Valley Presbyterian Church at 10:45 a.m. and delivering meals to 5–10 homes on our Northeast Route. Delivery takes about an hour. Ideally, we want two members to sign up. A spouse or friend, non-member or potential member can deliver with you.

**Thanks to PHIL NEWSOM for serving as our club's Meals on Wheels coordinator! Contact Phil with any questions. 803-315-0299**  
[newsomp133@gmail.com](mailto:newsomp133@gmail.com)

### Serving Dinner at Transitions



We're helping Transitions fulfill their mission of serving 3 meals a day, 365 days a year!

NEXT SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES ARE:

**Monday, November 18**

**Signed up are Brian Dunphy, Angelica Bell and Ginny Reed. Room for 2-3 more!**

**Monday, December 16**

**Signed up is Brian Dunphy. We really need 4-5 volunteers each night at Transitions.**

#### Transitions Sign Up Link

We need a member to lead our monthly service project at Transitions. If you are interested, please contact President Ted or Community Service Chair, John Walko.

### Youth Exchange Update

Hard to believe it's almost time for Inna to move on to her second host family, Team Junis! We look forward to having her move in on Friday, November 15th. This past weekend, Inna and twenty other SVHS female student athletes participated in a weightlifting competition at Blythewood High School. The school has been without a strength program for years but with a new coach, SVHS will now be a staple at the female strength meets.



And, three sets of host parents met for dinner Friday night. Special thanks to Lisa and Jamie Brindel for being such awesome hosts parents and for housing Inna since she arrived on August 3rd. Time flies!



### Salvation Army Bell Ringing 2024



DOING THE MOST GOOD™

We've got two dates for 2024 Bell Ringing Campaign: Contact Bev Ryan to sign up at: [bevryansellshomes.com](http://bevryansellshomes.com) or call/text Bev at 803-477-4100.

**Saturday, Dec 7 (10 am - 6 pm)**  
**Sam's Club - The Village at Sandhill**

**Signed up are:**

10 am to Noon: Meredith and Nick Fakas (WoodLake volunteers)  
Noon - 2pm: Ginny Reed/Angelica Bell  
2 - 4 pm: Bobby Curtis and grandsons  
4 - 6pm: **two volunteers needed**

**Saturday, Dec 21 (10 am - 6 pm)**  
**Lowe's Foods - The Village at Sandhill**

**Signed up are:**

10 am - Noon: Peter Stahl and **one volunteer needed**  
Noon - 2 pm: John Walko and daughter  
2 - 4 pm: Sharon Hodge and **one volunteer needed**  
4 - 6 pm: Bev and John Ryan



### Blythewood Rotary Club Fundraiser

## Oyster Roast & BBQ

Friday, November 15

5 - 9 pm

The Farm at Ridgeway

\$45

Includes oysters, BBQ & sides

Beer & Wine!

Live Music by The Waterkickers!

*Catered by Hudson's*

Purchase tickets from any Rotary Club member or via venmo @BWRC2022 or email [jam0600@gmail.com](mailto:jam0600@gmail.com)



Largely through the proceeds of this event, the Rotary Club of Blythewood contributes annually to support scholarships and non-profit organizations that serve our local community. In addition, 10% of proceeds go to Rotary International and Rotary Club of Blythewood in efforts to eradicate polio, provide safe drinking water, and educate young people throughout the world.





[Emma Mitchell](#)  
November 15th



[Jeffery Dootson](#)  
November 16th

Wedding Anniversaries - None this week

Years of Service - None this week