



Club Meeting

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

Club Leaders



Brian P. Dunphy President



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Stahl Club Foundation Chair iPast President



Emma Mitchell International Service Chair

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Meeting agenda 3.14.2024

Menu: Eggplant Parmesan, Greek Potatoes, Sautéed Zucchini and Yellow

Squash, House Salad, Fresh Fruit
Invocation and Pledge: Craig Currey
Health and Happiness: Holly Swan

Today's Program - Urban Garden Project Update, Traci Cooper



Several years ago with Traci Cooper leading this initiative, our club used our Rotary District 7777 Matching grant dollars to start the Urban Garden Project. Now, several years into this project, it's time to take it to the next level! Join us Thursday for an exciting update from Traci.

AND - SAVE THE DATE for Friday, April 19th for our 2024 Earth Day "Hands On" work day! More details to come.

Guess Who Visited Our Club Last Week?

Never miss a Rotary meeting......you just never know who might be there!



Pet Pals Food and Treat Drive

Would you give up your own meal if it meant your dog could eat?



This is the third and final week of our cat and dog food collection. Please bring items to the March 14th meeting.

We are looking for small and medium bags or cans of food, so seniors can lift them.

Treats and toys would also be appreciated. These items will be given to seniors served by Senior

Resources Meals on Wheels program. Thanks to Bev Ryan for coordinating this effort.

Contact Bev at (803) 477- 4100 or bev@bevrvansellshomes.com



Lindsay B Agostini Youth Services Chair

Speakers

March 14, 2024

<u>Traci Cooper/Paula Matthews - Urban Garden Project Update</u>

March 28, 2024

RCSD - Sheriff Leon Lott

RCSD Update Mental wellness

April 04, 2024

Gregory "Scott" Jackson, Deputy Garrison Chaplain,

Fort Jackson
April 18, 2024

Community Grants Presentation

April 25, 2024

SVHS Viking Singers

June 13, 2024

Jesica Mackey, Chair, Richland County Council

Events

March 18th

Transitions Service Opportunity

March 21st

SV Rotary Board Meeting

March 26th

Rotary Readers at Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School

April 9th

Table Talkers at Conder Elementary School

April 15th

Transitions Service Opportunity

April 16th

Rotary Readers at Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School

April 18th

SV Rotary Board Meeting

April 19th

Earth Day 2024 - Urban Garden Project Work

Day

April 29th

Transitions Service Opportunity

May 16th

SV Rotary Board Meeting

May 18th

Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-Up

May 20th

<u>Transitions Service Opportunity</u>

June 17th

Transitions Service Opportunity

June 20th

SV Rotary Board Meeting





2024 Community Grants



Time to celebrate the success of our Nut Campaign!

We will accept 2024 Community Grant applications from Monday, February 26 through Thursday, March 14. (Three weeks) **Grants must be submitted on the grant application by email** to LaChaska Salmond at lachaska.salmond@firstcitizens.com or given to her in person at a meeting. LaChaska will acknowledge receipt of your application via email. The sponsoring Rotarian must submit the grant application, not the organization or program for which the funds are requested.

The Grant Committee will determine recipients no later than March 29th and will notify the primary sponsoring Rotarian by April 2, 2024. Grant funding will be awarded on April 18, 2024. The Sponsoring Rotarian will invite a representative from the organization to our April 18th lunch meeting to receive their community grant.

NOTE: A member must have sold pecans in order to request a grant. Grant applications will be sent by email to all members and will also be available at our lunch meetings.

Conder Elementary Table Talkers







Thanks to Don Hogan and his wife Kathy, Brian Dunphy, Lindsay Agostini, Peter Stahl and Judy Gaskins for participating at Conder Elementary on Tuesday, March 12th. Our next Table Talkers with Ms. Ross's 5th Grade class is on Tuesday, April 9.

Lunch is from Noon-12:30. You can bring your lunch if a school lunch isn't your bag! Plan on arriving at Conder (8040 Hunt Club Road) by 11:40/11:45, so you have time to park and access the school. You will need to bring ID.

Thanks to Don Hogan for coordinating this program again this year. Please contact Don to sign up at: brushandfloss@hotmail.com or by text or phone at 803-920-6669.

Youth Exchange Update

Pictured below are Elsa and Ana after their home game on Thursday, March 7th with Ana's host parents, Lisa and Jamie Brindel, Lindsay Agostini and Brian Dunphy.

Their next HOME games are: Monday, March 18th at 6 pm at SVHS Thursday, March 21 at 6pm at SVHS

It would be great to have some Rotarians there to support our Youth Exchange Students!

Good Luck to the team and to our Youth Exchange Students!



Meals on Wheels Delivery

Signed up are: 3/14 - Peter Stahl and Paula Matthews - THANK YOU BOTH! 3/21 - Patricia Barclay and ONE VOLUNTEER NEEDED 3/28 - TWO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED





Thanks to Ramesh Yajnik for delivering Meals on Wheels this month. Isn't it time YOU signed up?

Please consider signing 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.

MEALS ON WHEELS SIGN UP

Thanks to Patricia Barclay for serving as our club's Meals on Wheels coordinator!

Patricia Barclay 386.449.9452 or email avatarpbj@yahoo.com

Save the Date - Friday, April 19th

Urban Garden Project Earth Day 2024 Planting

More Details to come. Volunteers will be needed from tentatively 9 am - 1 pm at various locations for this HANDS ON, get in the dirt project!

Plan to attend our Thursday, March 14th lunch meeting for an update on our Urban Garden Project.





Serving Dinner at Transitions

Monday, March 18th is our next shift, 5-6 pm. Signed up are: LaChaska Salmond, Brian Dunphy, Ginny Reed and James Hooker THANKS ALL for signing up.

We've got two Mondays in April: Monday, April 15th and 29th

Transitions Sign Up Link

James Hooker is looking for 3 volunteers to join him. Questions, call/text James at (803) 250-5514 or email: sportagent2004@hotmail.com



Rotary Reads at Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary School

Thanks to Brian and Shelly Dunphy, Mike Long, Bev Ryan, Peggy Merrill and Lindsay Agostini for serving on Tuesday, February 27.

Remaining dates for 2024 - Tuesday, March 26 and Tuesday, April 16 8-9am $\,$













Hope you'll consider joining the group in March! Sign up by contacting: Lindsay Agostini

text or call: (803) 530-5571

March Membership Madness

March Membership Madness CREATE HOPE In the WORLD In Basketball it's all about shooting 3-Pointers





In Rotary it's all about attracting New Members!

Let's Make March Membership Madness A Slam Dunk in D-7770! Take on The March Membership Challenge!

From March 1-April 30

All clubs are encouraged to shoot a 3 pointer by growing membership by Net 3 Members.

All Winners Will Be Recognized at Spring Training Assembly

Grand Prize Goes To The Club That Adds The Most New Members.

Who will be the first club to take on The March Membership Madness Challenge???

Outbound Youth Exchange Update

David Vandelay recently performed at a fundraiser organized by his Rotary Club in Denia, Spain to raise money for families with childhood cancer. He's also excited to visit with Vera Tjader, our Swedish Exchange student from last year, who is visiting David this week in Spain! What an awesome program Rotary Youth Exchange is!!





The Weekly Raffle -Jan through March '24

Door prizes are always needed for our weekly raffles. Please consider contributing an item.

Any questions, contact Judy Gaskins, jgaskins001@sc.rr.com or (803) 315-3723. Have items you can "re-gift?" A bottle of wine is always the coveted prize! Or maybe a gift card?

For the third quarter of this Rotary year (Jan-March), our weekly raffle proceeds will help fund our CART efforts.



Birthdays

Lee Roberts

<u>Jr.</u>

March 16th

March 11 - Happy Birthday Billy Grooms!