

Rotary

Club of Spring Valley (Columbia)



Friday, July 21, 2023

Meeting agenda 7.27.23

Invocation and Pledge: Holly Swan
 Health and Happiness: Keith Chichester
 Speaker: Susan Owen, SC Midstate Beekeepers Association – Hosted by Sharon Hodge
 Mid-State Beekeepers Association (MSBA) is dedicated to advancing the art of beekeeping and assisting the people who pursue this noble and worthwhile venture. Their purpose is to promote interest in honey bees and beekeeping by encouraging healthy beekeeping practices in South Carolina, promoting the utilization of honey bees for pollination of agricultural crop and disseminating useful information about honey bees and beekeeping.

Club Meeting

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

Club Officers



Brian P. Dunphy
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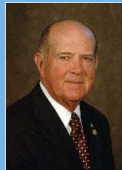
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Speakers

July 27, 2023
[Susan Owen, SC Midstate Beekeepers Association](#)
August 03, 2023
[Lou Mello](#)
 DG Official Visit
August 10, 2023
[Rotary Youth Exchange Program Update](#)

Announcements

IMPORTANT: Meal Price Increase Effective August 1
 In order to continue to provide quality weekly meals, the board voted to increase the lunch fee from \$13 to \$15. This price increase will go into effect with our first meeting in August. Scotties has proven to be a wonderful partner as they work with us to provide the best price. Many, many thanks to Ginny Reed for leading our lunch procurement effort and for leading her team which includes picking up our meal, setting up and cleaning up.

Meals on Wheels volunteers needed:
 Please consider signing up for a Thursday Meals on Wheels delivery. This involves meeting at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church at 10:45 and delivering meals to about 5-10 homes on our Northeast Route. Delivery should take under 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- Continue to use the SignUp Genius link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4daea828a4f9c34-meals>
 These dates are urgently needed:
 8/10/23
 8/24/23
 8/31/23

Please consider donating to the **CART Fund** (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust). You can contribute online at www.mycartfund.org or feel free to deposit cash or checks into the blue CART buckets during our weekly meetings. Thanks to Ted York for leading our CART Fund effort.

Door prizes are always needed for our weekly raffles. Any questions, contact Judy Gaskins, jgaskins001@sc.rr.com or (803) 315-3723.

Interested in our satellite Club? The night club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month for social time (dinner not provided) at Woodcreek Country Club, 6:00pm. Contact Denise Ruben for more information at: (803) 513-2334, eaglebarth100@gmail.com

Proposed New Members

The MEMBERSHIP push continues!
 Mike Burney is proposing Viola Robinson Faust. Viola is a native of Columbia, and a graduate of the University of South Carolina where she earned a BS degree in accounting. This led to her career with the State of South Carolina government, where she worked in several financial positions before and after her retirement, including: Director of Finance, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs and Director of Administration and Finance. During her career, she completed the South Carolina Certified Public Manager and served as a Board Member and Treasurer for the SC Society of Certified Public Managers. She served as a Board Member, President-Elect, and President of the Governmental Finance Officers of South Carolina. Viola recently passed the exam for Certified Public Accountants and is awaiting a license to practice as a CPA. Viola has 3 children – Kayla 36, Brandon 34 and Krystal 30, and one granddaughter, Karsyn 9.

Denise Ruben is proposing Hannah Emery for membership in the satellite club. Hannah comes to us from the Emerald City Rotary Club, also a satellite club in Greenwood, where she has been a member this past year and served as Vice Chair/Secretary. She is already a Paul Harris Fellow! She is a graduate of Lander University with a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology with Minors in Pre-Law, Political Science and Criminal Justice. She studied abroad in 2018 at the University of Winchester, Winchester, England. She is a Paralegal with Hawthorne Merrill Law.

Adopt-a-Highway volunteers needed for August 19

Join fellow Rotarians as we pick up trash on our section of Polo Rd. Meet in the parking lot behind the Taco Bell, at

Meet our 2023-24 Inbound students, Elsa Lovefors from Sweden and Ana Martinez Aledo from Spain and their host families, our Outbound student David Vandelay who is going to Spain, and hear from True DePaoli who just completed her year in France.

August 17, 2023

Kinsley Turnipseed

My Other Mother – Professional Organizer and Certified Senior Move Manager

August 24, 2023

Dickson Monk

Columbia World Affairs Council

September 14, 2023

Joakim Matende, Rotary Club of Kampala, Uganda

Literacy Program in Uganda

September 28, 2023

Morgan Crapps

Director of Public Affairs & Government Relations, Redwood Materials

Events

July 31st

Transitions Service Opportunity

August 19th

Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pick-Up

August 21st

Transitions Service Opportunity



the corner of Polo and Two Notch Rd. Non-Rotarians, spouses, teenagers and prospective members always welcome! Please wear gloves. All other materials will be provided. Contact Greg Seymour to sign up for this service project at: gseymour25@yahoo.com

Transitions Service Opportunities



Thanks to ALL for serving dinner at Transitions on Monday, July 17.....including Phil Newsom, Ginny Reed, James Hooker and Brian Dunphy. Our next service date will be **Monday, July 31 from 5-6 pm**. To sign up, please contact James Hooker, who is taking over as our Transitions coordinator this year, at: sportagent2004@hotmail.com or 803-250-5514.

New Members Inducted 7.13.23



What a great way to kick off the new Rotary year at our July 13 meeting, by inducting two new members Brian McComas and Tony Brock. Please introduce yourself to these new members!

Brian McComas is a senior manager with Dark Horse CPAs, a cloud-based firm. He and his wife are from Northeast Columbia and both graduated from Spring Valley High School. Prior to his current position, he worked with Elliott Davis, LLC and The Brittingham Group. He has 16 years experience providing accounting and tax strategies and solutions. Brian earned his BS degree from the University of Alabama. His hobbies include: family, golf, working on his Jeep, sports, etc. He is a member of the Fast Forward

Board and a founding member and past treasure of the Columbia nonprofit Artists for Africa.

Tony Brock is originally from Greenville, graduating from Greenville Senior High School in 1986. He graduated from Benedict College in 1992. Tony previously worked as a Sales Banker for Wachovia and Wells Fargo Bank and as a residential mortgage broker for Dimond Mortgage company and Lending Path Mortgage Company. He is a previous owner and operator of Mortgage Essentials, LLC located in Columbia. He has more than 24 years of combined mortgage and real estate experience. He is married to Sonya Brock. He has a BSW in Social Work and his hobbies include running and guitar. He is the Interim President for BNI West Columbia chapter, and a Board Member at Trinity Education Center.

Get Your FREE Rotary T-Shirt



In case you missed our July 13 meeting, you missed getting your new Rotarian at Work t-shirt courtesy of President Brian. Shirts will continue to be available at our lunch meetings the next few weeks....but you can also email Brian with your t-shirt size and that way he'll be sure to have enough for everyone....and you can pick it up at a meeting.

We're committed to doing even better at telling our community what Spring Valley Rotarians do to Create Hope in the World, which is our 2023-24 Rotary theme. Please be sure to wear your shirt whenever possible when participating in one of our many service projects, i.e. Meals on Wheels, Transitions, Rotary Reads, etc.

Contact Brian at: brian.dunphy1@wellsfargo.com or by phone/text at 803-920-4751.

Blood Drive a Success!



Our July 18th blood drive was a success! We collected 52 units of blood exceeding our goal of 50.

Thanks to everyone who participated in a volunteer capacity or by donating or recruiting another donor.

SAVE THE DATE for our next drive scheduled for: Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

Birthdays

No Birthdays This Week

Wedding Anniversaries



[Herbert A. Wood Jr.](#)
July 28th

Years of Service

No Years Of Service This Week