

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Mike Willis
4-Way Test—*next meeting* – Chrissa Matthews
Program— Thomas Herlong
Feb. Invocation— Collette Ball
Feb. Greeters — Carolyn McClain, Sandra Jordan
Feb. Students – Kevin Berning (AHS), Connor Taylor (SAHS)
Feb. Student Hosts – Betty Ryberg (AHS), Joe Shields (SAHS)

GUESTS

Beth Klein	Speaker
Connor Taylor	Student guest
Kevin Berning	Student guest
Peter Stein	guest of Brenda Stein
Mike Emmer	guest of Joe Lewis
Gene Hart	guest of Jennifer Hart
Curtis Jenkins	guest of Rick Osbon
Wylie Haislip	guest of Rich Osbon
Fran Quellette	visiting
Rob Novit	visiting

MAKE-UPS

Richard Church	eClubOne 1/11
Brenda Stein	Club Service

PROGRAM LAST WEEK CONT.

Beth wrote the 2010 and 2011 Anti-Human Trafficking laws for Colorado. These laws focus on common practices of human traffickers and Beth commended law makers of SC on recent successful efforts to address human trafficking in this state. In Colorado alone, Beth has built a coalition of more than 500 individuals, professionals and non-governmental organizations who share her passion to end human trafficking. She is a true advocate for putting your passion in action. Beth commended the Rotarian mission of service above self and encouraged each Rotarian to institute this motto into their daily commitment to humanitarian efforts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT.

The **Aiken Sunrise Rotary Club** is hosting a professionally-managed art show and auction, featuring art in all media and price ranges (major credit cards accepted). There will also be a silent auction. Proceeds from this event will enable the Sunrise Club to provide funding to local nonprofits like Helping Hands, The Aiken Writing Project, Camp Gravatt, Golden Harvest Food Bank and local teachers for specific projects and programs, as well as to national and global Rotary service projects.

THIS Thursday, **February 25**
(Preview at **6pm**, Auction Starts at 7pm)

Woodside Country Club

\$10 in advance or at the door

Call Hank Hatchell **(803) 640-1594**

Complimentary Wine Tasting – Cheese – Beverages
[plus Cash Bar]



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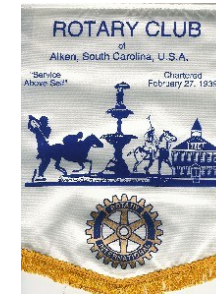
Collette Ball	(2016)
Liz Neal	(2016)
Will Williams	(2016)
Paul Dusenbury	(2017)
Beth Everitt	(2017)
Grant Wiseman	(2017)
John Lindsay	(2018)
Rick McLeod	(2018)
Catie Rabun	(2018)

Sergeants-at-Arms

Chair: Brenda Stein
Robert Stack
Richard Herring
Richard Holley
John McMichael
Diana Riddick

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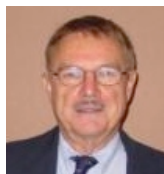
By: Sarah Griffis

Rotarian Jane Page Thompson introduced speaker Beth Klein. Born and raised in Colorado, Beth Klein presented an informative lecture to Rotarians on her heroic involvement with human trafficking. She explained that Rotary is an organization that helped launch her efforts of humanitarianism. Beth submitted and was awarded a Rotary International Scholarship early in her career and traveled to Ireland where she fulfilled her efforts to help others.

After Beth graduated from law school, she has focused her legal expertise into an immensely successful career, tackling the injustices of human trafficking. She explained that she passionately represents victims of this crime in civil court, and works to recover compensation for the damages they have suffered as a result of their enslavement. Beth has taken on cases committing trafficking crimes abroad, in both war and conflict zones. She shared with Rotarians a heart-warming story of how her efforts have really made a great impact abroad for women that were once victims of human-trafficking just by giving them purpose in their lives.

PROGRAM TODAY

GEORGE THORNTON NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

Item appearing in February 1986 "Gear":
"What do you call a boomerang that will not return?" (Answer below).

Item appearing in February 17th 2016 Edition of "The Aiken Standard": Our own Rotarian, Ellen Priest, Publisher, had a great supplement to the paper on Wednesday highlighting "Young Professionals 2 Follow!" She listed several including several of our own Club members: Namely-Jason Rabun, Keyatta Priester, Catie Rabun, Josh Stewart, and Mallory Holley. Ellen says "We hope you enjoy reading their stories and how they are serving." Congrats to those featured in the paper who are in our Club.

Item appearing in February 26 1996 "Gear": Our program for that day was a tour of Aiken Technical College where we had a great lunch.

Item appearing in February 1986 "Gear":
(A stick)

FEBRUARY'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

by: Catie Rabun

Rotarian Betty Ryberg introduced Aiken High School's Kevin Berning to the club last week. Kevin is interested in attending USC or Georgetown. He was in the Aiken Community Playhouse's production of *Pajama Game*, and enjoys playing the saxophone, reading, and cooking.

Rotarian Joe Shields introduced the club to South Aiken High School student, Connor Taylor. We look forward to learning more about Conner this week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Dusenbury, Bob Forrest and Clay Killian were presented pins for being new member sponsors last quarter. Paul sponsored Nat Green, Bob sponsored William Whittle and Clay Killian sponsored Ronnie Young.

Mallory Holley announced last week that the Rotary Club of Aiken submitted an application for a grant, in partnership with Aiken Sunrise Club, North Augusta's Rotary Club as well as several Augusta Clubs, which would fund the hosting of a Young Professionals of Rotary Summit. The event will likely be held one evening for a few hours and she will keep the club posted on the status of the application.

Job Shadow opportunity

President Joe Lewis announced we will be signing up Rotarians willing to host a high-school Interact Club member for a few hours during their professional workday. Already retired? You can still offer to speak at a local high school about your career field. Look for sign-up opportunities at upcoming meetings.

Upcoming Rotary Leadership Institute training

RLI training helps you become a better Rotarian and leader. Here are upcoming training sessions:

- Greenwood: Saturday, March 12th
- Columbia: Saturday, April 23rd

Save the Date

A block of tickets have been reserved for the Aiken Rotary Club to attend the Heart Fund Show on February 27. Tickets are \$25.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

FEB 29 Doug Burks, President of Security Onion Solutions and Information Systems Security Association Augusta/Aiken Chapter: CyberSecurity—Why it's important to you and the CSRA

MARCH **MONTHLY THEME: LITERACY**

MAR 7 Julia Walker: Fraud Triangle
MAR 14 Michael Agwanda: Missionary in Kenya

BIRTHDAYS

2/22 Phillip Merry
2/28 Rachel d'Entremont

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

2/26 Liz Stewart (2001) 15 years
2/27 Wade Brodie (1961) 55 years
2/27 Rick McLeod (2012) 4 years
2/27 Phil Richardson (1982) 34 years
2/28 Richard Holley (2011) 5 years
2/28 Bob Stubbs (2011) 5 years