

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Chrissa Matthews
4-Way Test—*next week* – TBD
Program— Betty Ryberg
Mar. Invocation—Will Williams
Mar. Greeters — Carolyn McClaine and Beth Everitt
Mar. Student Hosts— Grant Wiseman, Regena Brackett, Sharon Rogers
Mar. Student Guests— Matthew Squires, Holly Petersen, Katie Rogers

GUESTS

Holly Petersen	Student guest
Katie Rogers	Student guest
Matthew Squires	Student guest
Bill Inman	guest of Gary Stooksbury
Keyatta Priester	guest of Tom Hallman
Vance Reynolds	guest of Greg Paschal

MAKE-UPS

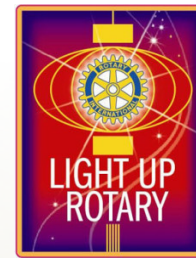
Richard Herring	Sedona R.C. 3/2
Brenda Stein	Club Service 3/9

ROTARY SHIRTS FOR SALE

Rotary tee shirts are now for sale. Several versions of the Rotary shirts are available including men's golf shirts, women's golf shirts, and regular tee shirts. These shirts will help Rotarians be easily identifiable at events outside of our regular Monday meetings. Suggested times to wear Rotary shirts: Rotary Readers, map painting days, Pancake Breakfast fundraisers, trash pick-up, during the Guatemala trip, and even at non-Rotary events in an effort to bring awareness to our club.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Rotary Club of Aiken Scholarship application is online. If any Rotarians know of a high school senior who qualifies please notify that student of our \$2,500 scholarship and encourage them to apply through our website: www.aikenrotary.org.



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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Catie Rabun



Rotarian Jane Page Thompson introduced our speaker, Jim Rhodes, last week. Jim is the director of the Aiken Equine Rescue, which was started in Aiken in 2006 as a non-profit that provides community services as well as adoption services for horses and dogs. Since opening in 2006, the donation driven

organization has placed 600 horses and 300 dogs into new homes. The Aiken Equine Rescue also participates in local programs where horses are able to help humans such as the STARR Riding Program and the Aiken Saratoga War Horse Program. Jim Rhodes also spoke passionately about working with the Solicitors office and is able to offer a place where those with minor offenses on their records can complete their community service obligations. He feels that the hard work and mentorship they receive while completing their community service gives them much needed direction and structure and helps them get refocused on their lives.

PROGRAM TODAY

KIM ELLE

AIKEN AUGUSTA WARRIOR PROJECT

FUTURE PROGRAMS

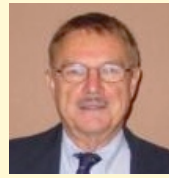
- MAR 23 Mallory Holley; Community Medical Clinic
- MAR 30 Gene Hart; Leadership Aiken County
- APR 6 Mike Hitchcock; Executive Director of the SC Retirement System Investment Commission

BIRTHDAYS

- 3/16 Jerry Hughson
- 3/18 Barry Adams
- 3/19 Chuck Maxwell

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/17 Bill Shreck (2008)
- 3/17 Jeremy O'Donnell (2014)
- 3/19 Mallory Holley (2012)
- 3/22 Clayton Quattlebaum (2004)



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

TEN YEARS AGO - MARCH 2005

Often some of our most interesting programs are given by our own Club members. They provide depth and understanding of some of the key community activities in our community. Such was the case about this time ten years ago when one of our members brought us up to date on her work with very young children who suffer neglect, physical, sexual and emotional abuse. Peggy Ford for years has been Director of Children's Place almost since the time she and Rick came to Aiken. At her presentation to us ten years ago, she displayed a net with 400 blue ribbons tied to it for all the cases dealt with in the year 2004. (Wonder how many more she has had to add since that time)??

OUR PAST - "THE GEAR" MARCH 1995

We were memorializing the life of John McClanathan who had just passed away. Some of us remember John as a 22 year perfect attendance Rotarian who was a driving force in many of our club activities and many of the community's activities. He, however, is most remembered by us old timers for his exchange of words with former US Representative Butler Derrick at a meeting of our Club in the early 90's. John left the Club \$1500 in his will to be used for community projects.

MORE HITS: THE PAST: "THE GEAR"

The state's longest serving mayor, our own, Mayor H. Odell Weeks, spoke to our Club in March of 1975 and told us about the state of the city (which by the way, according to David Jameson, is always "good" and "lucky")! Mayor Week's state record of 38 or 39 years may be broken this year by Mayor Joe Rieley of Charleston, who when he leaves office, will have recorded 40 years.

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Grant Wiseman introduced South Aiken High School student, Katie Rogers, to the club

last week. Katie has a 5.22 GPA, is the president of Serteens, and plays the trumpet and oboe in the band. Katie has committed to Clemson University and will start her studies there in the fall.



Regena Brackett introduced Aiken High School Student, Matthew Squires, to the club last week.

Matthew also participates in Serteens, plays the flute and piccolo in the band, and is part of the Millbrook orchestra.



Sharon Rogers introduced Mead Hall student, Holly Petersen, to the club last week. Holly is 4th

in her class and plans to attend Erskine College in the fall to study Sports Medicine with a minor in Spanish.

RED BADGE PROGRAM GRADUATES



Rotarians Tim McClendon and Karen Potteet graduated from the Red Badge Program last week and received their permanent Blue Badges. The Red Badge Program was instated as an introductory course for new members and offers opportunities for new members to get involved and learn about Rotary International, their fellow Rotarians, committees, service projects, and much more.