

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—*this week* – Sam McGill
4-Way Test—*next week* – Ahmed Samaha
Program— Jennifer Hart
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
Samantha Bodie	guest of Mallory Holley
Phyllis Yerace	guest of Mallory Holley
Vance Reynolds	guest of Chris Verenes
Lauren Walck	guest of Karen Bowles
Randy Hannold	guest of Stan Jackson
Trinidad Nannold	guest of Stan Jackson
Mike Pereyo	visiting North Augusta Rotary

MAKE-UPS

Brenda Stein	Club Service 3/16
Dan Zaloudek	R.C. of North Hawaii 1/14-3/11
Owen Clary	Georgetown Guyana 3/19

NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED



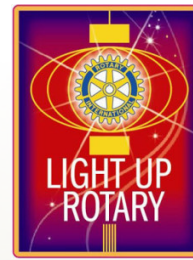
Last week, the Rotary Club of Aiken welcomed two new members: Ted Cummings and Bob Forrest, both sponsored by Judy Chun. Ted's classification is 'Insurance-Farm & Equine' and is the owner of Cummings Insurance Agency. Bob's classification is 'Office Counsel' and he works for Burroughs Elijah LLC.

The Rotary Club of Aiken welcomes both of you!

FLAG PRESENTATION



Last week, Owen Clary presented the Rotary Club of Aiken with a flag from the Rotary Club of Georgetown Guyana.



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Liz Neal (2016)

Will Williams (2016)

Beth Everitt (2017)

Ron Parker (2017)

Grant Wiseman (2017)

Sergeants-at-Arms

Chair: Richard Holley

Robert Stack

Richard Herring

Tom Calhoun

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PROGRAM LAST WEEK

By: Catie Rabun



Last week, Chad Matthews introduced fellow Rotarian, Mallory Holley, as our program speaker. Mallory is the director of the Community Medical Clinic, which is the free medical clinic in Aiken. ACTS originally started the clinic in 1998. There are 47 free clinics in South Carolina. State money is limited so the CMC relies on United Way, local churches, individual donations, civic organizations, and fundraisers for the majority of its funding. There are six paid staff members but all physicians are volunteers (over 2150 hours were volunteered last year!). Their major fundraisers this year will be the Aiken Colony Cup to be held in November and for the first time, Dinner en Blanc with Friends will be held on May 3. Call the clinic for more information on the fundraisers.

PROGRAM TODAY

GENE HART

LEADERSHIP AIKEN COUNTY

FUTURE PROGRAMS

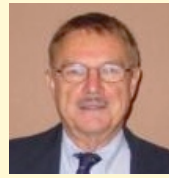
- APR 6 Mike Hitchcock; Executive Director of the SC Retirement System Investment Commission
- APR 13 Jason Goings; Aiken County Treasurer
- APR 20 Vance Reynolds; Meet Aiken Regional's New CEO

BIRTHDAYS

- 3/30 Doug Rabold
- 4/1 Jason Rabun
- 4/3 Matt Musolf
- 4/5 Mike Willis

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/30 Richard Garcia (2009)
- 4/1 Tommy Wessinger (1982)
- 4/1 Sara Wood (1989)
- 4/1 Molly Jones (2013)
- 4/4 Bud Coward (2011)



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

ROTARY IN GUYANA

It was a fortunate opportunity recently to attend a meeting of the Georgetown Central Rotary Club of Guyana after having gone to the meeting places of two other Rotary Clubs in Paraguay and failing to find those two Clubs meeting at the listed meeting times and places. The Georgetown Central Club is one of three in the country of Guyana and the forty members meet at noon on Thursdays at the Georgetown Club. After a meal of chicken and rice (and every meal in Guyana is chicken and rice), Club banners were exchanged and selfie was asked to tell all about the Aiken Club. Impressed they were with our size and activities. Their main project is assisting elementary school students with simple writing or exercise books (paper) and pens and pencils. They are not allowed by the government to give directly to the schools (it would make the Ministry of Education look bad and in a former socialist dictatorship you don't do that)! However the Rotary Club may give the items to parents and community centers to get these basic supplies into the hands of elementary students. In this desperately poor country for students to have paper and pens and pencils in schools is indeed a luxury. (On a visit to an elementary school in Guyana, one saw the depravity and need for basic supplies). Perhaps our Club might want to take on a project in the future through our International Committee to consider a shipment of simple writing tablets and writing instruments to the Rotary Club of Georgetown Central. This idea was discussed with that Club and they would be happy to work with us and get materials distributed to the needy and appreciative students.

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. Katie has committed to Clemson University. She volunteers for Special Olympics and Relay for Life. She was also State Chaplin for the SC Lutheran Church Youth.



Regena Brackett introduced Aiken High School Student, Matthew Squires, to the club again last week. He has received a \$12,500/year scholarship to Winthrop and will attend the Winthrop School of Music. He wants to be the first to graduate with a degree in Piccolo Performance.



Sharon Rogers again introduced Mead Hall student, Holly Petersen, to the club last week. Holly helped lead her archery team to win a state championship. Her community service includes: Relay for Life, Golden Harvest Food Bank, Jr. Volunteer at Doctor's Hospital, and Christ Central.

CLASSIFICATION TALK: BRENDA STEIN

By: Catie Rabun



On Monday, our Club got to know a little bit more about Brenda Stein. Brenda is married to Peter Stein. She has four daughters and nine grandchildren between the ages of 1-year and 17-years-old. Brenda is one of the founders of Veracity Payment Solutions, now Vanco Payment Solutions. Brenda said she loves the variety of acquaintances and friends in the Rotary Club of Aiken and has enjoyed her time in Rotary.

Brenda's classification talk wrapped up her Red Badge Program duties and she received her permanent Blue Badge after her talk.