

## CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—this week – Ahmed Samaha  
4-Way Test—next week — Regena Brackett  
Program— Sandra Jordan  
October Invocation— Henry Krippner  
October Greeter — Barbara Nelson & Jennifer Hart

## GUEST

Steve Black	guest speaker
Maggie West	student guest
Emily Ezekeil	student guest
Katrina Zotovic	student guest
Katrina Kulik	guest of Jamie Mothkovich
Alisha Johnson	William Price
Marvin Johnson	William Price
Ferlicia Tucker	William Price
Dan Brown	Aiken Standard

## CLUB MAKE UP

Sam McGill Highlands, NC 9/6

# THE DICTIONARY PROJECT



We are still in need of  
volunteers for our  
dictionary project.

This is an ideal  
opportunity for Red Badge  
Rotarians to become  
involved. Please contact  
Dave Tavernier at  
today's meeting.  
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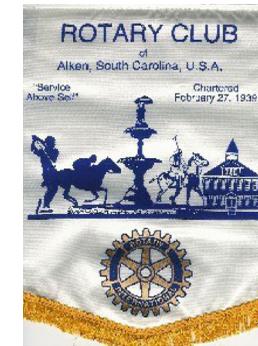
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# THE GEAR

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PROGRAM LAST WEEK by Karen Guevara



Rotarian Liz Neal introduced speaker Steve Black, from the Aiken Sunrise Rotary Club. Steve serves as the current Chair for our Rotary District's CART – Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust. The CART program began in 1995 as the idea of a Sumter, SC Rotarian; to date, more than \$5.8 million has been awarded in CART grants for cutting-edge research.

Almost 10% of the population over age 65 suffer from Alzheimer's; it is the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S. This slow, fatal disease affects the ability of brain cells to properly function. Steve showed a video, "What is Alzheimer's?" which explained the observable symptoms as the disease progresses through the various areas of the brain. The disease begins in the hippocampus, where new memories are formed; outward symptoms are confusion and

forgetfulness. It then migrates to the language-processing area, making it hard to come up with the right word. When it moves to the logic-processing area, problem solving and planning skills are affected. Next, it affects the emotion-regulating area, then the sensory-perception area, making it difficult for the brain to interpret what is being seen or heard (e.g., seeing the red of a stoplight but no longer recognizing that it means to stop). It then progresses to the area that holds an individual's oldest memories, slowly erasing them. Balance and coordination is finally affected, and in the final stage, the disease affects the brain area that controls basic bodily functions such as breathing and heartbeat. Steve highlighted the work of a CART-funded researcher who is investigating whether visible retinal plaques could indicate Alzheimer's plaques may also be building up in brain cells. This could allow earlier treatment as much as 17 years before the onset of outward symptoms, greatly slowing the disease's progression. Information about another CART-funded researcher can be found at <http://www.aikenbellamagazine.com/2016/06/01/close-cure-alzheimers-disease/>. Keep filling up those CART buckets!

## PROGRAM TODAY

**Tony Allman  
First Tee of Aiken**

## FUTURE PROGRAMS

### **OCTOBER Monthly Theme:**

October 24 Ed Fox, Director of  
Operations for ASCO Valve

October 31 Tom Young  
SCDOT secretary Christy Hall and  
Commissioner John Hardee  
SCDOT Roads Update

## BIRTHDAYS

10/21 Ted Cummings  
10/23 Tim McClendon

## CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

10/19 Rachel d'Entremont  
10/21 Herb Mattocks



## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

**By Owen Clary**

### **ODE TO ROTARIAN WADE**

With humble beginnings and with the ethos of "work hard,"  
And from a hardscrabble farm in a town called Perry;  
You landed in fair Aiken running, running the very long yard,  
And joining up with Rotary early, you made us all very merry.

Newberry College set you up for great things and with pride-  
A Farmers and Merchants banking start--your early forte;  
Then you snared the exquisite, dashing Sissy for the long  
ride-  
And along the way, two sons; one making for a sad, sad day.

You wrapped yourself in Rotary colors-gold and blue,  
You led us all to build many, many a fine Habitat House;  
And in other Rotary causes you were more than true  
But in your greatness you were oft "quiet as a mouse."

For fifty odd years our Club you always faithfully attended,  
And committee after committee you handled in great style;  
Offers of the Presidency to you were many times extended,  
But you chose working "behind the scenes" all the while.

Your leadership in Rotary is known by all the town very well,  
But as Aiken community loudly and easily will ever attest;  
You guided this town to projects where it did richly excel-  
However it was in finances that you showed us your best.

On and on we count success after success after success,  
Of that one who carried the noble title, "Mr. Aiken;"  
Ten thousand dollars or a million, million more or less,  
All credited to his foresight and his alone making.

So now take that well deserved glory rest, Wade,  
You've worked long and hard in the Master's vineyard;  
And it's a sad Rotary farewell that is now made,  
As an everlasting Aiken legacy earns his master card.

Through our loss we're assured that shouting praise we now  
can;  
So Rotarians, raise a glass of Scuppernong wine to that  
missing man.

**Owen Clary  
10 October 2016**

## *Margarita Make-up Night.*

*The 2016-2017 dates for Margarita  
Make-ups are:*

*10/26, 11/30, 1/25, 2/22, 3/29,  
4/26, 5/31 & 6/28/2017*

*at The Willcox*

*5:15 pm - 6:30 pm*

*Remember to turn-in your Make-up to  
the Sergeant-at-Arms*

*Remember you don't need a make-up!!*

*Just come spend time with fellow*

*Rotarians*



## **Saturday, October 22 Rotary Clubs of Aiken Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Join Richard Garcia, Captain of our "Rotary Clubs of Aiken" team at the O'Dell Weeks Center, 8:30am on October 22, for the Walk to End Alzheimer's, in partnership with the Sunrise Rotary Club. It's free to register, but all walkers are encouraged to donate or raise funds in support of the Alzheimer's Association. Register at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) (click on "Find a Walk" and search for zip code 29803. Once at the "Aiken, SC 10-22-16" website, select "Rotary Clubs of Aiken" to register). For additional information, contact Richard at [garcia303558@bellsouth.net](mailto:garcia303558@bellsouth.net) or cell phone 803-215-8404.

**Pancake Breakfast • November 19  
8-10am, at Fatz Cafe**

**All Rotarians are encouraged to purchase tickets; if  
you are not able to attend, please purchase tickets  
and donate them to local first  
responders or educators.**