

CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—this week – Regena Brackett
4-Way Test—next week — Ellen Priester
Program— Bill Taylor and Tom Young
October Invocation— Henry Krippner
October Greeter — Barbara Nelson & Jennifer Hart

November Invocation— Liz Neal
November Greeter — Joe Spencer & Cindy Meares

GUEST

Ed Fox speaker
Katarina Zotovic student guest
Maggie West student guest
Emily Ezekiel student guest
Cory Burns guest of Will Williams
Kelby Heydt guest of Forrest Mahan
Rev. Jeff Erbskorn guest of Jerry Hughson

CLUB MAKEUPS

Jeff Baumgardner Club Service 10/20
Richard Church E Club 10/24
Fred Andrea E Club 10/12
Brenda Stein Club Service 10/24

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.**



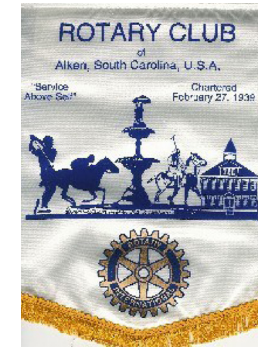
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Monday, 12:30 PM
Newberry Hall
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Richard Holley
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PROGRAM LAST WEEK by Penny Summer



Our speaker last week was Ed Fox, director of operations at ASCO Numatics, a division of Emerson Industrial Automation. Previously holding a corporate level position, Ed moved to Aiken in 2009 to manage and expand the high mix/lower volume valves produced in Aiken. His wife is a teacher here in Aiken and his two children graduated from USCA.

Between ASCO's fluid control products and Numatics' fluid power products, the company provides fluid automation solutions for a wide range of industry applications.

ASCO is responsible for many highly visible valve solutions including the fountains at Bellagio, Olympic torches, movie sharks and Disney's Shrek ride. ASCO developed a specialty valve for the M1A1 Tank for the US Army during Desert Storm. The valve is now part

of every tank built. A star in our midst, Fox actually appeared on an episode of "Pimp My Ride" with an ASCO valve. ASCO Numatic valves are also used in everyday products such as gas pumps, automated car washes, industrial washers, boilers, coffee machines, slush machines, pizza makers and medical products.

In addition, ASCO valves are used in petroleum production, safety systems and chemical plants. Stringent quality requirements are in place. Headquartered in Florham, NJ, there are ASCO Numatics plants in Sandusky, MI and Mexicali, Mexico. There are 5,000 employees worldwide, and Fox's personal goal is to increase employment to 500 at the Aiken site, which is located on Hwy. 1 across from the Fair Grounds. Fox indicated that manufacturing/production is actually moving back to the U.S. because of time and money. The pendulum of off-shore production that began in the '80s is now swinging back toward the U.S. To this point, his Aiken plant is in hiring mode, and he is looking for skilled labor and engineers.

PROGRAM TODAY

Bill Taylor and Tom Young
SCDOT secretary Christy Hall and
Commissioner John Hardee
SCDOT Roads Update

FUTURE PROGRAMS

NOVEMBER Monthly Theme:
Rotary Foundation Month

- November 7 Robert Murphy
Veterans Day
- November 14 Brian Stirling, Director of South
Carolina Department of
Corrections
In A Mother's Voice
- November 21 Dr. Harris Pastides,
President of USC System
- November 28 Shell Knox Berry
Community Foundation for the
CSRA

BIRTHDAYS

10/18 Joe Shields

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- 11/1 Fred Andrea
11/1 Peggy Ford
11/1 Tony Harris
11/1 Mark Meyer
11/1 Raymond Mizell
11/1 Scott Neely
11/1 Bob Newburn
11/2 Greg Paschal
11/5 Liz Neal
11/5 Phil Winsor



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

By Owen Clary

FROM "THE GEAR" OCTOBER 28 1996
(20 YEARS AGO)

District Governor Sue Poss had just returned from a trip to Cuba and reported that Havana was one capital city where you could not make up in a Rotary Club. The original Rotary Club on Havana was established in 1916 and was the first Rotary club established in a non-English speaking country. Castro ended this club in 1959 with his take over of Cuba. She also stated that Cuba's highly educated people live in poverty level conditions. Also there is no air -conditioning and rice and beans are the food staple with rice being imported.

Also in our October 28 1996 issue of "The Gear" we find that we inducted a new member, Herb Mattocks. He was proposed by Peggy Ford. Congratulations, Herb, on 20 years of vital service to the Club.

FROM "THE GEAR" OCTOBER 27 1986
(30 YEARS AGO)

Since October 27, 1986 was right before Halloween, we had a cartoon drawing in "The Gear" from a 7th grader Elizabeth Green who was a niece of long time Rotarian Manning Owen

Also in the 1986 "Gear" was a note about our Student Loan Fund: "Started in 1955 with \$500. Today's value, \$118,000. Average Student Loan in the 1960's-\$200. In the 1980's \$5000."

Margarita Make-up Night.

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

*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

Trash Talk!

**The next
Rotary trash pickup
is scheduled for this
Saturday
November 5**



Memory Monday

November's auction items will be a 2017 Limited Edition Calendar, a print and "When I Think of Aiken" book, courtesy of Howell Printing Company and Betsy Wilson-Mahoney

