



The Keyway

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Lunch with Bobby Harrell

September 18th, 2007:

Bobby Harrell spoke to our club about some hot issues faced by the South Carolina legislature in the past years and those likely to be visited in the upcoming year. He stressed the fact our state government must focus on economic development in the coming decades as its top priority. Mr. Harrell noted that business development should be a priority today so SC can attempt to build existing businesses and new ones, small and large.



Bobby Harrell

Some key issues the legislature faced in the past years were: workers compensation reform; tort reform legislation; funding and other issues relating to the Department of Transportation; and taxation issues. There was talk in the past about South Carolina being unfriendly to businesses from the viewpoint of workers compensation insurance. Mr. Harrell discussed how this was addressed in workers comp reforms with an eye towards being more fair all around. He also touched upon tort reform legislation, a related issue that has affected insurance and businesses.

Mr. Harrell gave a refreshing look into how he views the taxes assessed upon citizens of South Carolina. He discussed the sales tax on groceries that is soon to be eliminated. He also touched upon income tax, cigarette tax, and gas tax, which should continue to be important issues. Immigration will probably be an increasingly important issue for the state. Mr. Harrell discussed the possibility of our state taking a more active role in immigration reform if the Federal government continues to stall on progress. Mr. Harrell graciously fielded several questions from the audience. We were also pleased to have Mr. Harrell's father join our meeting

Submitted by Jackie Grau, Keyway Committee

Rotary Calendar

September 25, 2007
Jim Gray, "Positive Downsizing"

October 2, 2007
Andrea Wozniak, CEO of East Cooper Regional Medical Ctr.

October 9, 2007
Jim Elliott, Birds of Prey

October 16, 2007
District Governor, Mary Martin

In other business. . .

Jay Hart led us in the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. **Chris Moss** introduced visiting Rotarians & Guests. Health & Happiness was offered by **Vito Scarafile**. **Bob Pitts** introduced the guest speaker, **Bobby Harrell**, Speaker of the SC House.

Splinters from the Board

Your “pocket” change does make a “life” change in others:

Bucket contributions collected this week totaled \$145.85.

Four Avenues of Rotary Service

- Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the club.
- Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.
- Community Service covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community.
- International Service encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary’s humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace.

The Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Announcements:

Rotary Readers Needed

Volunteers are need to read to 4K, 5K and first grade classes at Fraser Elementary starting this Tuesday, Sept. 25th at 7:30am. If you are interested in reading to students, please contact Kathy Jones at kathy.jones@citadel.edu.

Perfect attendance

President Jermaine recognized the following members for achieving perfect attendance: **Bill Scarborough – 28 years; Jerry Sifford – 17 years; Jim Parker – 17 years; John Bleecker – 16 years; Bill Prewitt – 12 years; Brian Johnson – 5 years; Alex Dallis – 3 years; Robin Freer – 1 year; Tommy Taylor – 1 year.** Congratulations to all these Rotarians! You set an excellent example for all of us.

Adopt-A-Highway

Mark your calendars ... the next Adopt-A-Highway service project is scheduled for Saturday, October 6th. Volunteers are always needed to help keep our club’s section of Harborview Road clean. Additional details available in the coming weeks.

Resignations

At this past Tuesday’s board meeting, the board regretfully accepted resignations from **Chip Coffee, Greg Fischer and Wendy Marcus.** **Doug Peterson** was approved to join the ranks of our “Excused” members.

Rotary Mourns Loss of a Special Lady

Former Executive Secretary, **Dot Humphries**, passed away this week after a brief battle with cancer. Dot served our club as Executive Secretary from 1987-1998, was a Paul Harris Fellow and a current Honorary Member of our club. She truly loved Rotary and exemplified the very best of what Rotary stands for in the lives of so many. Dot was adored by all and will be greatly missed!



AREA CLUB MEETING TIMES

Summerville - Oakbrook
Wescott County Club
Monday 7:30 AM

North Charleston
Airport Radisson
Monday 12:30 PM

East Cooper Breakfast
Zeus Grill & Seafood
Restaurant
Tuesday 7:30 AM

Goose Creek
Oaks Country Club
Tuesday 1:00 PM

Charleston
Citadel Alumni House
Tuesday 12:30 PM

Mt. Pleasant
Holiday Inn
Wednesday 12:30 PM

Summerville
Sticky Fingers Restaurant
Wednesday 1:00 PM

North Charleston Breakfast
Embassy Suites
Thursday 7:30 AM

Daniel Island
Daniel Island Medical
Center
900 Island Park Drive
Wednesday 7:30 AM

Moncks Corner
Western Sizzlin
Highway 52
Thursday 12:30 PM

St. Andrews-Charleston
Bessinger's BBQ, Hwy. 17S
Thursday 12:30 PM

Charleston Breakfast
Harbour Club
Friday 7:30 AM

St. Johns Parish
Berkeley Electric Coop
Maybank Hwy.
Wednesday 7:30 AM

Announcements, cont.

Fine Reminder:

Remember Be sure to mute your cell phones as you enter our meetings. Members will be fined \$5 for cell phones that ring during the meeting.

A Good Read

Jerry Nuss graciously donated a copy of Ted Stern's new book, *No Problems, Only Challenges – The Autobiography of Theodore S. Stern*, to the club. Ted is currently an honorary member of our club. He served as president in 1972-1973 and District Governor in 1977-1978. If you are interested in reading this book, Carroll has the club's copy and members are welcomed to borrow it.

Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Birthdays

Sept. 27 – Dan Ravenel
Sept. 28 – Mike Jones
Sept. 28 – Amy Riley
Sept. 28 – John Rosa

ATTENDANCE SCORE BOX

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119

Members Absent:

Anderson, I., Arnaud, Atkins, Bailey, Bergvall, Berlin, Body, Brockinton, Brumgardt, Bryan, Bullard, Burt, Cartland, Cosgrove, Creech, Dewey, Dowell, Dukes, Dulles, Dunaway, Echols, Ellington, Ethridge, Feinberg, Fischer, Gaillard, Geffert, Gilbert, Gill, Gilliard, Ginn, Goff, Greene, L., Ham, Hansen, Helms, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Al., Johnson, T., Jones, M., Katzman, Kelley-Duncan, Kramer, Krawcheck, Lansu, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Lester, Livingston, McKnight, Mudy, Outlaw, Pate, Poliakoff, Pos-tell, Ravenel, Redden, Sales, Scott, Sisco, Smith, L., Smith, M., Spell, Sullivan, Tecklen-burg, Thomas, Trawick, Van Rysseberge, Walker, Watkins, Whalen, Whitmore, Widman, Wilson, J., Wilson, S., Witte, Wombwell, Zucker

Out of Town Make-Ups:

None

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**Remember the 4-Way Test
in all you do.**

WE'RE ON THE WEB:

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District Governor #7770: Mary Martinl

Rotary International President: Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

2007/2008 Officers & Committee Chairs

Jermaine Husser, President
Andy Brack, President-Elect
Don Horres, Treasurer
Don Oswald, Secretary
Amy Jenkins, Past President
Herb McGuire, Sergeant-At-Arms
Jennet Alterman, Club Service A
Richard Gershon, Club Service B
Amy Riley, Club Service C
Tom Sweeny, Education
Andy Brack, Community Service
Ellen Jackson, Vocational Service
John Bleecker, International Service
Anita Zucker, RCCF
Carroll Schweers, Executive Secretary

Jennet Alterman, Club Service A
Jim Geffert, Programs
Don Oswald, Fellowship/Family of Rotary
Rhett Dunaway, Health & Happiness
Richard Gershon,
Visiting Rotarians & Guests
Jim Parker/Tony Holz, Invocation
Ricky Bailey, Emblem
Herb McGuire, Sergeant-At-Arms

Richard Gershon, Club Service B
Elizabeth Prout, Membership Retention
Vito Scarafile, Rotary Information
Johnny Jordan, College of Knowledge
Amy Jenkins, Membership Development
Kenny Krawcheck, Classification
Earl Walker, Nominations
TBD, Special Events/Social

Amy Riley, Club Service C
Bill Crowe, Keyway
Don Horres, Finance
Gitta Wombwell, PR/Magazine
Richard von Werssowetz, Roster
Lisa Thomas, By-Laws
Cooper Coker, Capital Creations

Tom Sweeny, Education
Joan Ustin/Dennis Bergvall,
Excellence in Education
Jay Hart, Rotary Scholars
Kathy Jones, Rotary Readers
Kathy Jones, School Partnership Coordinator
Tom Sweeny, Barrier Island Trip
Ray Jones, Students & Seniors
Tom Sweeny, Sea Student Program

Andy Brack, Community Service
Cooper Coker, Salvation Army
Mary Peters, Senior Aging & Issues
Cooper Coker, Environmental Protection
Jennifer Audi, Wellness

Ellen Jackson, Vocational Service

John Bleecker, International Service
Kyra Morris, Rotary Foundation
Stovall Witte, Ambassadorial Scholars
Robin Freer, GSE
Frederick Dulles, International Grants