



The Keyway

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Ringing

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No Meeting... Happy
Holidays!

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"Take the Fight to the Enemy"

December 4th, 2007: Colonel John "Red" Millander, the Commander of Charleston's own 437th Airlift Wing, the largest C-17 base in the world provided our Club with a "fact-filled" presentation on why we should be proud of *our own local* airbase. A 1986 graduate of Auburn University, Col. Millander opened his presentation with a 3-minute video that illustrated Team Charleston's themes: Take the Fight to the Enemy; Delivering Freedom; and Delivering Hope.



He expounded upon the economic impact of Charleston Air Force Base (CAFB) to our community. As the third largest employer in the tri-county area, it had expenditures of \$587 million in fiscal year 2007. When CAFB combines with the Naval Weapons Laboratory in 2009 to form Joint Base Charleston, it will become the largest single employer in the region. As related by Col. Millander, we've always enjoyed a unique relationship. In the 1950's we became the first "joint use" airfield in the country. Today, for the first time, the civilian requirements actually exceed those of the 50 C-17s stationed at CAFB and are driving a runway extension plan.



Col. Millander provided a mission overview of: Global Direct Delivery; Outsized Strategic Airlift; Strategic Brigade Airlift; and Special Operations Support. Of special note, and great pride, he stated that every piece of resupply cargo to Iraq comes through CAFB: 300 tons a day... "that's more than the other 14 Air Mobility Command airbases combined!" The C-17 is the only aircraft capable of delivering our military's newest vehicle, the Mine Resistant Ambush Protection (MRAP) vehicle, 975 to date. The airlift wing, in conjunction with its tenant Air Force Reserve Wing, the 315th Air Wing, can also dropped 3000 military fighting personnel in 30 minutes and has 3 aircraft on 24 hour alert in support of our special operation missions. Last year the Air Wing set a world record with 20 C-17s launched in formation...mark your calendars: they will attempt to break their own record on December 20th 2007.

Col. Millander completed his comments with his emphasis on quality of life improvements for "his airman" and emphasized how important our community is in that role.

Reported by Bill Crowe Keyway Committee

In other business. . .

David Ginn led us in the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. **Steve Morse** introduced visiting Rotarians & Guests. Health & Happiness was offered by **Steve Dopp**. **Earl Walker** announced our new Board Members. **Andy Brack** introduced our guest speaker, **Colonel Red Millander**.

Splinters from the Board

Your "pocket change" does make a "life" change in others:

Bucket contributions collected were \$ 138.19

Holiday Luncheon

We are pleased to announce that **Steve Dopp** and the **Francis Marion Hotel** have again graciously offered to host our annual Holiday meeting on Tuesday, December 18th at 12:30 pm. Members are encouraged to bring their spouses/guests to this meeting, so be sure to mark your calendar now to attend this festive event.

This year's chairperson of the Nominating Committee...Earl Walker

recognized his committee for their efforts with this year's board nomination process. It was a difficult year due to the club having to adapt to recent by-laws changes, but thanks to everyone's patience and cooperation the process went well. The members of the nominating committee were: **Amy Jenkins, Mark Smith, Cooper Coker, Rob Dewey, John Tecklenberg and Carroll Schweers.**

Announcements:



Ring in the Holidays

Our annual *bell ringing* for the Salvation Army is scheduled for Friday, December 21st. **Cooper Coker** and **Erin England** began recruiting members for shifts at today's meeting and will be scheduling volunteers this Tuesday, as well. If you are interested in volunteering and have not signed up for a time, you can also contact one of them.

Senior Giving Tree

The remainder of the ornaments were hung on the tree this Tuesday and the committee is happy to report that all ornaments have been taken by Rotarians. Thank you to everyone for your generosity! As a reminder, gifts should be wrapped and returned to a Rotary meeting by December 18th. Monetary donations are also being accepted and can be give to Carroll Schweers. Parties for the seniors will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 19th at 10:30am and on Thursday, Dec. 20th at 1:00pm. It would be nice to have as many Rotarians there as possible. .

Change in Club Status

If you plan a change in your club membership status by January 1, 2008 to Active, Excused, Leave of Absence or if you are planning to resign from the club, please notify Carroll Schweers in writing NO LATER than December 7, 2007. This will affect January 1st billing. All current members who officially resign. after December 7th will be billed \$42 to cover Rotary International dues, which are paid the first of the billing cycle. If you have questions, please contact Carroll at 971-4352.

A big welcome to our newest member: Ron Green

Ron is a former Rotarian from Indiana and will hold the classification of Education/Military/Business Administration. He was sponsored by **Past President Earl Walker**. We are excited to have you as a member, Ron!



Our New Board Members

Past President, **Earl Walker**, announced the four new board members selected last Tuesday by our membership to serve a two-year term beginning in July 2008. Congratulations to **Andy Anderson, Robin Freer, Kyra Morris and Don Oswalt** in the foreground are congratulated by **President Jermaine**.



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

Extra Mile Service Award

If you would like to nominate a someone from the Charleston area for our club's next *Extra Mile Service Award*, please complete an application (found on our website or contact Carroll) and return it to Carroll before Tuesday, December 11th at 12:30pm. *To download a copy of the nomination form, go to <http://www.charleston-rotary.org/index.html> and look half way down the page on the right.*

Message from District Governor Mary Martin

Many of you have lived through the devastation of a hurricane and seen the fury of the storm. In January of this year Governor Bernie and I visited New Orleans and the coast of Mississippi. We saw what the storm did to those areas and how 16 months later the areas were still struggling. Many people were still living in tents and in FEMA shelters with no idea how long they will have to live this way.

Bob Trenor, one of my Assistant Governors from the Charleston Area came up the idea of selling Christmas Ornaments and raising money to build one home in the Pass Christian, Mississippi area. The ornaments are \$20.00 each and they are pewter with the Rotary Shares logo on the back and a Christmas Scene on the front. Supplies for one home cost around \$50,000.00. Volunteers go in and build the houses.

If each person in the district purchased one ornament that would just about pay for the house. I would like to ask you to purchase an ornament and to consider more for friends or speakers. Please make checks out to District 7770 Christmas Ornament program and mail to Ed DOWASCHINSKI our District Treasurer. His address is PO Box 7137, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928.

Fellow Rotarians if we can raise enough money to have the house built it will have a sign on the outside that will read this house was donated from District 7770 in South Carolina. I would love to visit again someday and see that sign on a house that we provided.

Birthdays

Dec. 11 – Tom Clymer
Dec. 14 – Bob Clement

ATTENDANCE SCORE BOX

December 4, 2007
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Members Absent:

Alterman, Anderson, T., Arnaud, Bailey, Baldwin, Bergvall, Berlin, Blackford, Body, Brumgardt, Bryan, Cartland, Chapman, Condon, Condon, Cook, DiMaggio, Dowell, Dukes, Echols, Ellington, England, Ethridge, Feinberg, Fishburne, Forbes, Gailard, Garcia, Geffert, Goff, Greene, L., Grimaldi, Hand, Hansen, Hasbrouck, Holz, Hood, Jackson, Jenkins, Johnson, Al. Johnson, Angie, Johnson, J., Jones, M., Jordan, Kaiser, Katzman, Kelley-Duncan, Kerrigan, Kramer, Krawcheck, Lansu, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Lester, Lucash, McCormack, McKnight, Murdy, Nagy, Outlaw, Prout, Redden, Riley, J., Rosa, Savage, Stevens, Taylor, Trawick, Vaughan, Watkins, Welborn, Whitmore, Wilson, J., Wilson, S.

Out of Town Make-Ups:

Rhett Dunaway – Beijing, China

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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 Oswalt, 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 Oswalt, 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

TBD, 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