



# The Keyway

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**Rotary Calendar**

**February 19, 2008**

**Joan Mack, "Conversations" Pub, Radio 89.3**

**February 20, 2008**

**Fireside Chat w/Kyra Morris**

**February 26 2008**

**George Benson, President, College of Charleston**

## "Mental Health in South Carolina"

February 12, 2008:

**Jim Geffert** introduced our guest speaker, **John Magill**, with a touch of humor to preface a very serious topic. Jim stated that the best indication someone is going crazy is "a loss of memory and forgetfulness on trash day." John, the State Director of the Mental Health Department, has served in the field for 40 years, 38 in Charleston and began his presentation with a quick history lesson. His agency is very large organization with over 5300 employees. They treated over 100,000 patients in 4 hospitals (3 in Columbia and 1 in Anderson), 17 mental health centers, and 45 clinics. 31,00 children and adolescents were treated which was not part of the 1821 charter when the state legislature authorized the agency; our oldest agency. The first hospital was opened in 1827 and the first patient treated in 1828: the archived clinical notes reveal an amazing insight into the status of the patient and state of his treatment.



*John Magill*

Mr. Magill expanded on "what we're doing well" stating there's 250 counselors working in 457 schools in an attempt to encounter problems early that will lead to more success later. He related there are 850,000 people in SC suffering from some form of mental illness and an additional 250,000 with an addictive disease...that's 1 million out of a 4.3 million person population." John then related "what we're not doing well." "We have a state-wide crisis providing emergency support." Today there's 600-700 beds in hospitals and, on any night, 3000 people in a community care environment. There's a larger number not finding a service and seek treatment in emergency rooms. To help this "ER crisis" the Duke endowment provided 4 million dollars to allow SC's 65 emergency rooms a link back to the agency, 24/7/365, to make a better diagnosis and prescribe better medication...we're the first state in the Union to do so." Medicaid and Blue Cross Blue Shield have [respectively] contributed funds to support a collaborative database and school-based support in the "corridor of shame."

In summary, John complemented Rotary for "putting our heart and resources into doing something good for someone else."

*Reported by Bill Crowe, Keyway Committee*

### In other business. . .

**Jeremy Cook** led us in the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. **Robin Poliakoff** introduced visiting Rotarians & guests, and Health & Happiness was offered by **Dyson Scott**. **Jim Geffert** introduced our Guest Speaker, **John Magill**.

**Splinters from the Board**

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

Bucket contributions collected were **\$146.63**.

**Bucket Money to Water Missions International:**

Remember, all money collected in the buckets during the month of February will be donated to Water Missions International to support their Living Water projects. Please support this effort.

**Membership Status Changes:**

The board regretfully accepted resignations from the following members: **Jess Ellington, George Fassuliotis, Margaret MacDonald, Ginger Norvell and Vito Scarafile**. We will miss them all and hope they will return as guests often! **Angie Johnson** and **Bill Thompson** were approved for a six-month leave of absence.

**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:**

**“Extra Mile” Award Citation:**

“The Rotary Club of Charleston is pleased to recognize **Thomas R. Mikolajcik** and **Christina Robinson** for their dedication and hard work toward the successful creation of the ALS Association of SC and creating public awareness of ALS in Charleston and nationally in the US Congress. In recognition of your *service above self* and going the extra mile in serving all citizens of SC and the United States, especially those military veterans and adults dealing with ALS, we salute you.”



**Christina Robinson, Lorraine Perry, Tom & Carmen Mikolajcik, & Tom Sweeney**

**Fireside Chat**

Come and join **President Elect-Kyra Morris** at the Village Post House on Wednesday, February 20 at 5pm for a Fireside Chat called “Service, Support, and a Little Supper”. Kyra will be discussing ways to get more members involved in Rotary and how to make our dollars matter, so we can become a 2-Star club. Whether you are an old or new member of Rotary, everyone is invited to attend. Rotarians will have an opportunity to enjoy fellowship and good food from 5pm-5:30pm and then the “chat” will be held from 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

**Welcome Ted Fetner as Our Newest Club Member**

**President Jermaine** inducted **Edward H. (Ted) Fetner, III** into our club this past Tuesday. Ted is a former Rotarian and Past President of the Mt Pleasant Rotary Club. He also was a member of the Van Lingham Rotary Club in Hilton Head. He was sponsored by Past President **Bill Scarborough** and will hold the classification of Financial Planning. We welcome Ted into our club!



**Bill Scarborough & Ted Fetner**

**Ensure Your Membership Information is Up-to-Date**

We are in the process of updating our membership roster. Please take a minute to review your information that is published in our current roster to ensure it is still correct. If there have been any changes, please remember to let Carroll know at [chasrot@comcast.net](mailto:chasrot@comcast.net). If you need a picture taken, Richard von Werssowetz will be available at upcoming meeting to take pictures.

**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**  
Old Goose Creek Recreation  
Center (Temporary)  
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

**Great Paul Harris Fellow Opportunity!**

A group of very generous Rotarians in our district have again graciously donated a total of \$50,000 Foundation Recognition points to a District pool. These points are available to match individual contributions. They will be used on a first come first serve basis.

**Interpretation:** If you are \$500 away from being a Paul Harris Fellow, you contribute \$250 and the District will match the other \$250. You will receive your recognition for being a Paul Harris Fellow and only have to contribute half of the \$500. This is an example – we can go after any match above \$100.

We are behind in taking advantage of this potential. Other clubs have already used \$5525 of these points before we even knew they were available. If anyone is interested, contact **Kyra Morris** at [Kyra.Morris@MFCPlanners.com](mailto:Kyra.Morris@MFCPlanners.com) or call 884-6192 and let Sherry, the office manager and personal assistant, know that this is VERY important Rotary business. (email is the easiest way to get through) Kyra will let you know how close you are to recognition status and how to proceed.

Let's get some of our money back from the district – and take advantage of this opportunity!

**Extra Mile Nomination being accepted**

If you would like to nominate someone from the Charleston community to be recognized with our club's next "Extra Mile" service award for exceptional community service, please complete the nomination form on our website or contact Tom Sweeny to obtain a form.

**Goose Creek Rotary Meets in New Location**

If you plan to make-up at the Goose Creek Rotary Club, please note that due to the recent fire at the Oaks Country Club that their meetings have temporarily been moved to the Old Goose Creek Recreation Center on Old Moncks Corner Road by Crowfield. They are looking for a permanent home and will keep us updated.

**Birthdays**

Feb. 19 – Herb McGuire  
Feb. 24 – Dennis Feinberg

**ATTENDANCE SCORE BOX**

February 12th 2008  
**125**

**Members Absent:**

Anderson, I., Arnaud, Audi, Bailey, Bergvall, Berlin, Blackford, Body, Boyd, Brack, Bryan, Cartland, Chapman, Clymer, Coe, Coker, Dacey, DiMaggio, Dukes, Ethridge, Feinberg, Forbes, Gailliard, Garcia, Gilbert, Gill, Gilliard, Green, D., Ham, Hansen, Hasbrouck, Holz, Hood, Humphries, Johnson, Al, Johnson, Angie, Johnson, J., Jones, M., Katzman, Krawcheck, Lansu, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Lester, Livingston, Lyles, McKay, McKnight, Morris, V., Murdy, Nagy, Norvell, Outlaw, Pate, Peters, Pitts, Postell, Prout, Riley, A., Riley, J., Rosen, Savage, Schachte, Sisco, Smith, L., Smith, M., Sommer-Kresse, Spell, Sullivan, Taylor, Thomas, R., Thompson, Trawick, Van Rysselberge, Watkins, Whitmore, Widman, Wilson, J., Wilson, S., Wombwell, Yarborough, Zucker

**Out of Town Make-Ups:**

Pat Craven – Beaufort, SC

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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 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