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Rotary Calendar

January 27th, 2009

**Will Haynie-
Lowcountry Land
Trust**

February 3rd, 2009

**Frank Hefner-
“The Executives
Guide to the
Economic Meltdown”**

February 10th, 2009

**Rebecca Darwin-
Garden & Gun
Magazine**

“Coping with Dementia”

January 20th, 2009

Sally Hughes Smith, the local author of “The Circle—A Walk with Dementia,” spoke to our club last week about dementia. Her novel is a memoir of her personal experiences with dementia. Ms. Smith is an author, a painter, and a Duke graduate, who describes herself as a non-expert in dementia. While she may not be a scientist or researcher, Ms. Smith has had first hand experience with dementia in the form of two close family members. She gave a gently uplifting talk about coping with mental deterioration and remembering your own needs at the same time.



Guest Speaker, Sally Hughes Smith

She also reminds us that dementia is nothing new. While diseases like Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s have probably been around for thousands of years, recent social patterns create new problems. When there are no longer multi-generations living under one roof, a child is under more pressure and faces more obstacles to assisting a family member who is facing dementia.

Smith does not attempt to sugar-coat the devastating process of mental deterioration, but she does put some humanity into the by-stander’s experience. She reminds us that it is okay to laugh at yourself and your experiences. One should not take oneself too seriously, and should always remember to cherish each day. She relayed a simple story about how her aging mother would tell her over the phone that she was placing all of her odds and ends behind her “green sofa.” Smith expected to find piles of things behind there on her next visit, but was surprised to find nothing. Now Smith uses the expression, “putting it all behind the green sofa” as a way to clear out junk from her mind when something just does not fit.

Smith’s talk was moving and reassuring. We thank her for her providing her insight and for sharing her literary work. Ms. Smith’s website, <http://www.sallysmith.com/>, showcases her other works.

Reported by Jackie Grau, Keyway Committee

In other business. . .

Jerry Sifford led us in the *Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance*. **Earl Walker** introduced visiting *Rotarians & guests*. *Health & Happiness* was presented by **Amy Riley**. **Henry Fishburne** introduced our speaker, author of “The Circle,” **Sally Smith**.

President's Corner



Club Social:

Mark your calendars now to attend the Wine Tasting social on **Thursday, April 16th**. Spouses and guests are invited. This should be a fun evening for all! Look for more details to come.

The Adopt-A-Highway:

Mark your calendars ... the next Adopt-A-Highway service project is scheduled for **Saturday, March 7th**. Volunteers are needed starting at 9am for about an hour or so to pick up trash on our club's section of Harborview Road. This is a great way to earn a make-up credit!

Announcements:



President Andy & Tom Sweeney

The "Rusty Shovel Award"
President Andy gave this week's award to Tom Sweeney, for "being Tom"

Proposed New Members:

Name: **Robert Ernest Sumner, IV**
Address: Moore & Van Allen, 40 Calhoun St.
Suite 300, Chas. 29401
Class: Law/General
Sponsor: Sam Applegate

Name: **Thomas Fimian**
Address: Docugraphics, LLC, 2408-A Ashley River Rd. Chas., 29414
Class.: Office Machines/Equipment
Sponsor: Andy Brack

Name: **Colleen Moring**
Address: Benefit Controls Company, 116B Rutledge Ave., Chas., 29401
Class.: TBD
Sponsor: Tom DiLiegro

Any comments regarding proposed new member may be addressed in writing to the board of directors.

New Orientation Video:

Andy proudly reported that with assistance from Unimedia, our club now has an "orientation video" that will be show to all prospective members attending a pre-induction meeting. It will also be available on our website for anyone interested in our club to view. The video is about seven minutes long and features various members from our club talking about some of our service projects and what Rotary means to them. Andy plans to show this video to the membership on Tuesday, February 3rd. This would be a great opportunity to bring anyone you know that might be interested in joining our Rotary club.

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

Extra Mile Award:

On behalf of our club, Tom Sweeny recognized **Bill Stanfield** and Metanoia with this quarter's Extra Mile Service Award for their dedication and commitment toward the successful community education and rehabilitation work in the Chicora Cherokee Community.

Teacher of the Month:

Congratulations to **Valerie Muhammad**, who was named January Teacher of the Month at Fraser. Valerie attended our meeting this past Tuesday and was recognized with a certificate for her outstanding efforts in the classroom.



Gail Blair, Tom Sweeny, Valerie Muhammad (Teacher of the Month), Bill Stanfield of Metanoia, & Elizabeth Prout

Do not Miss Next Week:

Next week **Will Haynie**, will speak about Lowcountry Land Trust. Do not miss this chance to learn more about our community!

Upcoming District Meeting dates:

March 20-21 District Assembly in Columbia and April 16 District Assembly at Seacoast in Charleston.

Register Now for District Conference:

Registration for the 2009 Rotary District 7770 Conference is now available! You'll not want to miss a minute of this exciting conference March 20-22 in Columbia at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Deadline for early registration is Friday, February 13. Deadline to register club members to get points for the Governor's Citation has been changed from January 20 to February 1. You may register by check or with a credit card.

Look for more program updates for the convention on the district website!

Birthdays

- Doug McFarland – Jan. 27
- Conrad Zimmerman – Jan. 27
- Marie Arnaud – Jan. 31
- David Mandell – Feb. 1
- Edward McKelvey – Feb. 1
- Garey Goff – Feb. 2

Attendance Score Box

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Members Absent:

- Alterman, Anderson, I., Arnaud, Atkins, Bailey, Baldwin, Berlin, Brockinton, Bryan, Butts, Chapman, Ciappa, Coe, Cohen, Condon, Condon, Crowe, DiMaggio, DiLiegro, Dukes, G., Dulles, Dunaway, Edwards, El-sasser, England, Forbes, Gaillard, Barnes Gailliard, Geffert, Gilbert, Gilliard, Ginn, Green, D., Greene, L., Grimaldi, Groseclose, Ham, Hansen, Hanson, Hasbrouck, Hinnant, Holz, Hood, Jackson, Jenkins, Johnson, Al, Johnson, Angie, Jones, M., Jones, R., Katzman, Kelley-Duncan, Kerrigan, Knowlton, Kramer, Krawcheck, Laurens, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Lester, Livingston, Lucash, Mandell, McCormack, McGinley, McKelvey, Medich, Mills, Morse, Moryl, Murdy, Nagy, Oulla, Outlaw, Postell, Proctor, Ravenel, E., Riley, J., Rosa, Savage, Schachte, Scott, Seguer, Smith, L., Smith, M., Sommer_Kresse, Spell, Standard, Stevens, Stoney, Sullivan, Tarleton, Tecklenberg, Thomas, R., Trawick, Van Ryssselberge, Vaughan, von Wertzowetz, Watkins, Wertimer, Wilson, Yarborough, Zucker

OUT OF TOWN MAKE-UPS:

None

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in all you do.**

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Rotary International President: Dong Kurn Lee

2008-2009 Officers & Committee Chairs

Andy Brack, President
Kyra Morris, President-Elect
Tom Brown, Treasurer
Sylvia Barnes-Gailliard, Secretary
Jermaine Husser, Past President
Herb McGuire, Sergeant-At-Arms
Andy Anderson, Administration
Robin Freer, Membership
Amy Riley, Public Relations
Tom Sweeny, Education
Don Oswald, Service
Andy Brack, Finance
John Bleecker, International
Carroll Schweers, Executive Secretary

Andy Anderson, Administration
David McCormack, Fellowship
Kurt Seguer, Health and Happiness
Jay Hart, Visiting Rotarians/Guests
Bob Baldwin, Invocation
Ricky Bailey, Emblem
Herb McGuire, Sgt. At Arms
Lisa Thomas, By-laws

Robin Freer, Membership
Elizabeth Prout, Membership Retention
Chris Moss, Rotary Information
Johnny Jordan, College of Knowledge
Jermaine Husser, Membership Development
Kenny Krawcheck, Classifications
Amy Jenkins Nominating
Angel Postel, Special Events/Social

Amy Riley, Public Relations
Jennet Alterman, Program
Bill Crowe, Keyway
Darby Siegel, PR/Magazine
Richard von Werssowetz, Roster
Fred Sales, Historian, Club Photographer

Tom Sweeny, Education
Joan Ustin, Excellence in Education
Jay Hart, Scholarship
Kathy Jones, Readers
Ray Jones, Students & Seniors
Tom Sweeny, Sea Student Program
Stephanie Wilson, Job Fair
Tripp Wiles, Mosquito Fleet Chairperson

Don Oswald, Service
Erin England, Salvation Army
Mary Peters, Senior Aging
Cooper Coker, Environment
Jennifer Audi, Wellness
Andy Brack, Vocational Service

Andy Brack, Finance
Tom Brown, Budget
Dan Butts, Capital Creation
Sue Sommer-Kresse, RCCF
Bill Crowe, Long-range Planning
Cooper Coker, Rotary Wheels

John Bleecker, International
Kyra Morris, Rotary Foundation
Stovall Witte, Ambassadorial Scholarships
Robin Freer, Group Study Exchange
Frederick Dulles, International Grants
John Tecklenburg, International Project Committee, Chair