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David Ginn, Chas.
Regional
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March 7th 2009

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Clean Up

March 10th, 2009

Water Missions

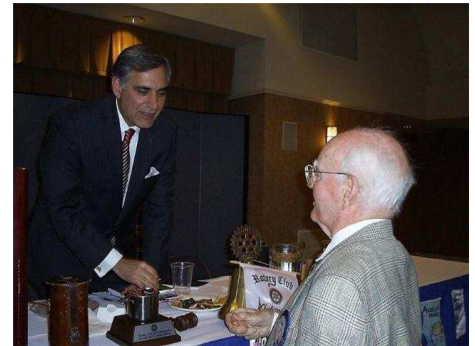
March 17th, 2009

To be Determined

“USC’s Success in Spite of Obstacles”

February 24, 2009:

President Harris Pastides from the University of South Carolina spoke to our club this past week. He was also joined at the meeting by a handful of colleagues from USC. We were pleased to welcome these guests and honored to have President Pastides address us. Pastides is the 28th President of USC, having been sworn in on August 1, 2008. He was formerly a professor and a Dean, and has a host of accomplishments to his name, such as being Yale educated. He has also spear-headed many initiatives for the school’s improvement during his time there.



*President Pastides, USC speaks
with Rotarian Alex Grimsley*

Pastides discussed the history of USC and its current direction, and then turned to an overview of the devastating budget cuts and its affect on the school. He gloats that USC has been in existence since the General assembly approved it in 1801, and has been serving the state ever since that time. He is not willing to close campuses/ reduce citizens’ learning opportunities regardless of tough economic times.

Since mid-year 2008, the budget for USC has been cut 23.8% from the previous year, equaling about 52 million. The enormous budget cut was handed down with virtually no warning to the school’s administration. President Pastides said that budget planning by the school is usually done prospectively for the year in advance. The cuts have forced the USC administration to examine all aspects of spending. Pastides noted regretfully that USC has been hit much worse than any other state school, with the closest behind being Alabama, at approximately 10% in cuts. He has had frank discussions with other states’ school administrators who are worried over cuts of only a few percent in budget.

Despite the enormous cuts, the President is hopeful that some of the funds from stimulus package at the state level will trickle down to him. He is also optimistic about his school overall. It was a pleasure to listen to President Pastides’ optimism and we thank him for the opportunity!

Reported by Jackie Grau, Keyway Committee

In other business. . .

Legare Clement, gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Cooper Coker** introduced visiting *Rotarians & guests*. *Health & Happiness* was presented by **Edward McKelvey**. **Elizabeth Wooten Burwell** introduced our speaker, **President Harris Pastides**, President of the University of South Carolina.

President's Corner



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!

New Club Video:

Just a quick note to let you know about the Club's new video. If missed seeing it at our meeting, you can now view online on our Website -- <http://www.charleston-rotary.org>. We hope you enjoy! We expect it will be a good tool in orienting new members -- and getting some new members too. Spread the word and send it to anyone who you think might be interested in becoming a member.

Announcements:

Rusty Shovel Award:

Congratulations to Legare Clement for receiving the Rusty Shovel award for his Mardi Gras beads.



President Andy presented this week's Rusty Shovel Award to Legare Clement.

New Member:

We are pleased to have **Robert Sumner** as our newest member. He was inducted into the club this past Tuesday by President Andy. Robert will hold the classification of Law/General and was sponsored by **Sam Applegate**. Congratulations to Sam for becoming a part of Rotary!

Mark Your Calendars to attend our "Wine Testing:

Mark your calendars now to attend the Wine Tasting social on Thursday, April 16 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at the SC Aquarium. Perfect time to see the new penguin exhibit! Spouses and guests are invited. Wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres are being donated by Whole Foods. This should be a fun evening for all! Look for more details to come.

Teacher of the Month!

Congratulations to Meredith McCutchen who was named February Teacher of the Month at Fraser. Meredith, who is a first year 2nd grade teacher, attended our meeting this past Tuesday and was recognized with a certificate for her outstanding efforts in the classroom.



Tom Sweeny looks on as Gail Blair presents Teacher of the Month award to Meredith McCutchen

Our Condolences

Our sincerest condolences to Honorary Member **Ted Stern** on the recent death of his wife, Alva. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

Our First World Peace Scholar

We were honored to have our club's first World Peace Scholar **Keely Robinson** and her sister, Caitrin, join us on Tuesday. Keely plans to study in Buenos Aires, Argentina starting in Spring 2010. She is a graduate of Porter Gaud and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Robinson of Charleston.



John Bleecker with Keely Robinson

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

“RCCF” Accepting Grant Applications:

The Rotary Club of Charleston Fund (RCCF) is accepting requests for grants. Interested organization are required to submit a Letter of Inquiry and a completed grant application form prior to **March 1**. The application form and other details regarding the process can be found on our website --- www.charleston-rotary.org.

Please Place Your Order for Caps and Stickers:

Show your pride and spirit – We are getting ready to place an order for Rotary Caps and Rotary Emblem Window Stickers. Please give your name and prepayment to Carroll. Caps are \$15.00 and 3” diameter stickers are \$2.00. Target date for sending out this order is March 1st.



Proposed New Members:

Name: **Roger Hawkins**

Address: Roger Hawkins PHD, Inc. PO Box 1029, Johns Island, 29457

Class.: Psychology/Industrial

Sponsor: Earl Walker

Name: **Harold E. "Ned" Jervey III**

Address: Community First Bank, 884 Orleans Rd., Chas., 29407

Class.: Banking/Admin

Sponsor: Dyson Scott

Name: **Robert Miller**

Address: 1932 Long Creek Rd., Wadmalaw Island, 29487

Class.: TBD

Sponsor: Tom Sweeny

Name: **J. Michael Saboe**

Address: Culinary Institute of Chas. @ Trident Tech

Class.: Educ/Technical College

Sponsor: Tom Clymer

Name: **Leigh Schaefer**

Address: Elliott Davis, LLC

Class.: Accounting/Management

Sponsor: Tommy Taylor

Name: **Winford "Win" G. Gasperson**

Address: Adaptive Limb & Brace, 543 Wappoo Rd., Chas., SC 29407

Class.: Medical/ Orthotist-Prosthetist

Sponsor: Andy Brack

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

Birthdays

March 5 – Ted Hasbrouck
March 5 – Tom Waring
March 6 – Steve Coe
March 7 – Russell Rosen

Attendance Score Box

February 24, 2009
126

Members Absent:

Alterman, Anderson, I., Arnaud, Bailey, Berlin, Bryan, Bullard, Cantey, Christensen, Clymer, Condon, Condon, Dacey, Dulles, England, Fishburne, Gaillard, Gilliard, Green, D., Green, R., Greene, L., Greene, G., Ham, Hansen, Hanson, Hasbrouck, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Al, Johnson, Angie, Jones, R., Katzman, Kerrigan, Knowlton, Kramer, Krawcheck, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Livingston, Mandell, McGinley, Morris, V., Moryl, Murdy, Oulla, Peters, Prout, Ravenel, E., Riley, J., Rosa, Rosen, Saunders, Seguer, Siegel, Smith, L., Smith, M., Taylor, Tecklenberg, Thomas, L., Van Saun, von Werssowetz, Walker, Watkins, Wertimer, Wilson, Witte, Wombwell, Yarborough, Zucker

Out of Town Make-ups:

None

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in all you do.**

WE'RE ON THE WEB:

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District Governor #7770: S. Anne Walker

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