



# The Keyway

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## Rotary Calendar

### August 25, 2009

Cathy Haynes, Chas.  
County Emergency  
Preparedness

### September 1, 2009

Scarlett Wilson, Solicitor

### September 8, 2009

Dr. Rick Rigas, SC Wind  
Committee

### September 11, 2009

Day of Caring at James  
Simons

### September 12, 2009

Adopt-A-Highway

### September 15, 2009

DG Alan Walters

## *“Our Freedom is in the Hands of Volunteers...”*

August 18, 2009

**Jennet Alterman** introduced Senator DeMint as a native South Carolinian from Greenville who graduated from Wade Hampton High School, the University of Tennessee; earned an MBA from Clemson. After a successful career as the owner of the DeMint Group, a strategic planning consulting group, he entered politics because he believed in normal people more than politicians and that volunteer groups accomplish the good in America. He had no interest in politics but his disillusionment with government motivated him to run for the Senate after serving in the House.



Senator Jim DeMint

The Senator stated being a Greenville Rotarian continues to influence his platform: *the 4-WayTest*. His consistent message remains using “logic & common sense.” The Republicans are sleep-walking and the Democrats have no business-vision for an environment that facilitates our economy’s growth. Even China told us to “get our spending in order.” For instance:

- *Fannie-Travel*: a \$400M tourism bill that *will* pass on the first vote this fall. “They don’t get it, we can’t afford this.”
- *Fannie-Med*: “it’s not about healthcare, we could take care of that in a ten page bill, it’s about government control. We’ve seen it before, country after country who destroyed themselves on this issue. We can’t allow the federal government to take control of healthcare.
- *Cash-for-clunkers*: “of course we have to sell cars, we own car companies...we’re in that business now; is that what we want? Not one check has been cut to dealers, we’re about to hire 1000 people in Washington, DC to issue those checks...and we’re about to increase this to \$2B. Is this a way to make our economy grow?”
- *Cap and Trade*: “are you willing to have \$100 per month added to your electric bill with no quantifiable positive impact on the environment?”

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## **In other business. . .**

**Chris Moss** gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Amy Riley** introduced visiting Rotarians & guests. The *Community Minute* was hosted by **Kyra Morris**. **Jennet Alterman** introduced our guest, the Honorable **Jim DeMint**, our US Senator.



**Notes from Your Board:**

At last week's Board meeting, the board accepted resignations from the following members: **Colleen Condon, William Gilliard, Bonnie Oulla and Eva Ravenel.** We will miss these members and wish them the best.

**Sheree Ciappa** was 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 **GOOD-WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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- Why not a free enterprise economy versus a managed economy? Let's use a common sense approach. Senator DeMint proposed these solutions even though our current President voted against them while a Senator from Illinois.
- Interstate insurance healthcare competition: complete policy plans, no matter where you live or work. No matter what pre-existing conditions.
- Fair tax treatment: give individuals who pay their own medical policies the same tax benefits as companies/corporations receive.
- Health Savings Accounts: allow individuals to use HSAs to pay for insurance premiums.
- Association policies: allow them to buy individual/family healthcare policies using their group numbers and clout [to overcome actuarial obstacles].
- Court reform: we all know the impacts of the "deep pocket theory" on our insurance rates and policies.

Senator DeMint closed with two thoughts: My supporters always say:

- "Thanks for fighting for us"
- "What can I do?"

His answer: "Freedom is more in the hands of volunteers than elected officials."

*Submitted by Bill Crowe, Keyway Committee*

**Announcements:**

**This Week's Silver Spoon Award goes to:**

**Lorraine Perry** for "stirring up our interest in literacy"



*Lorraine, Pres. Kyra & John Bleecker*

**Community Minute:**

**Lorraine Perry** provided a wonderful synopsis of all of those individuals who are contributing to our endeavor to support James Simmons Elementary and Mitchell Elementary Schools. We are challenged to match the non-Rotarians who have contributed.

**Trident United Way Day of Caring:**

Mark your calendars now to participate in our club's *Trident United Way Day of Caring* project on September 11. Our club will be volunteering at one of our school partners, James Simmons Elementary School. contact Lorraine Perry at 607-6511 or [lorperry62@yahoo.com](mailto:lorperry62@yahoo.com).

**Remember...**

....our school partners, James Simmons Elementary and Mitchell Elementary have asked for donations of old sporting equipment, including tennis racquets, basketballs and footballs, as well as, musical instruments, game boards, gym equipment, computer and office equipment. They also need a refrigerator for staff use. If you have anything to donate, please bring it to an upcoming Rotary meeting or contact Lorraine Perry at 607-6511 or [lorperry62@yahoo.com](mailto:lorperry62@yahoo.com).

**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

**Announcements (continued)**

**Extra Mile Award:**

Please turn in suggestions of people in our community who deserve to be recognized by our club, as going “the extra mile”. See **Tom Sweeney** for an application or go to the club’s website—[www.charleston-rotary.org](http://www.charleston-rotary.org). *Deadline is this Monday, Aug. 24th at 5pm.*

**Need Contact Information for another Member?**

Did you know that you can now access our membership database on-line? It is as easy as going to our club’s website ([www.charleston-rotary.org](http://www.charleston-rotary.org)), click on “Member Sign-In” located in the blue box at the top left, and log in by using your e-mail address as your USER NAME and your Rotary Member number (found on the label of your Rotarian Magazine) as your PASSWORD. Once you are logged in, click on the “My Club” tab at the top to access contact information and pictures for all our members. You can also click on the “Members” tab, and then the “View My Data” is automatically displayed. Remember to change your password and any other information by using “Edit”. This database is run by our District and will be an important tool for all of our members starting this Rotary year. Members will now be able to access contact information for all members and know it is current. We will be printing minimal copies of the membership roster for those that don’t have access to the web, but expect members to use this database to get contact information on members or to print their own hard copy of the roster if that is what you prefer. Take a few minutes to try it out ....

**Wellness Tip of the Week:**  
Simple Guidelines For Effective Stretching

Stretching is easy and there aren’t too many rules associated with it. However, there are a few guidelines that you need to consider in order to get the most out of your stretching time.

<http://effective-stretching.rotarywellness.info>

**Birthdays**

Aug. 28 – Jim Atkins

**Attendance Score Box**

**August 18th**  
**90**

**Members Absent:**

Anderson, T., Anderson, I., Baldwin, Brack, Brockinton, Bryan, Bullard, Ciappa, Coker, Condon, Cook, DiLiegro, Dopp, Dukes, G., Dunaway, Edwards, El-sasser, England, Fimian, Gasperson, Grau, Green, D., Green, R., Ham, Jackson, Johnson, A., Johnson, J., Kelley-Duncan, Kohli, Kramer, Krawcheck, Lansu, Laurens, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Livingston, Mandell, Matheny, McCormack, McGinley, Miller, Mills, Murdy, Peters, Pitts, Postell, Prewitt, Proctor, Rosa, Saboe, Saunders, Schaefers, Sifford, Smith, L., Smith, M., Sommer-Kresse, Standard, Sullivan, Tarleton, Trawick, Van Rysselberge, Vaughan, Wiles, Wilson, 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:**

WWW.CHARLESTON-ROTARY.ORG

District Governor #7770: Alan Walters

Rotary International President: John Kenny

**2009-2010 Officers & Committee Chairs**

Kyra Morris, President  
Brian Johnson, President-Elect  
Tom Brown, Treasurer  
Tommy Taylor, Secretary  
Andy Brack, Past President  
Robin Freer, Administration  
Brian Johnson, Membership  
Valerie Morris, Public Relations  
Lorraine Perry, Education  
Don Oswald, Service  
Tom Clymer, Finance  
Andy Anderson, International  
Carroll Schweers, Executive Secretary

**Robin Freer, Administration**

David McCormack, Fellowship  
Rhett Dunaway, Visiting Rotarians/Guests  
Rob Dewey, Invocation  
Ricky Bailey, Emblem  
Herb McGuire, Sgt. At Arms  
Lisa Thomas/Abby Saunders, By-Laws

**Brian Johnson, Membership**

Andy Brack, Rotary Information  
Brian Johnson, New Members

Andy Brack/Brian Johnson, College of Knowledge  
Andy Brack, Membership Development  
Jermaine Husser, Nominating  
Dave Echols/Abby Saunders, Special Events/Social

**Valerie Morris, Public Relations**

Rich Dukes, Program  
Elizabeth Burwell, Keyway  
Darby Siegel, PR/Magazine  
Willis Cantey, Roster  
Fred Sales, Historian/Club Photographer

**Lorraine Perry, Education**

Joan Ustin, Excellence in Education  
Kathy Jones, Readers  
Stephanie Wilson, Job Fair  
, Buddy Sail  
, Teacher of the Month  
, Field Trips  
, Weight Watchers, Yoga, Karate

**Don Oswald, Service**

Erin England, Salvation Army  
Mary Peters, Senior Aging  
Cooper Coker/Andy Anderson, Environment

Mary Ann Kohli, Wellness  
Don Oswald, Vocational Service  
, Service Above Self Scholars

**Tom Clymer, Finance**

Tom Brown, Budget  
Mark Smith, RCCF  
Hilton Smith/Amy Riley, Rotary Wheels

**Andy Anderson, Foundation**

Robert Miller, Annual Giving/Spec. Funds  
John Bleecker, Ambassadorial Scholarships  
Bill Prewitt, Group Study Exchange  
John Tecklenburg, International Projects