



# The Keyway

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## Rotary Calendar

**October 27, 2009**  
**6pm-9pm Fall Social**  
**at Rifle Club**  
**NO LUNCH MEETING**

**November 3, 2009**  
**Rotary Foundation**

**November 11, 2009**  
**Rotary Foundation**

**November 17, 2009**  
**Governor Mark**  
**Sanford**

**November 24, 2009**  
**Rotary Foundation**

## *The Spirit of South Carolina*

### October 20th, 2009:

Sarah Piwinski, Executive Director of the South Carolina Maritime Heritage, visited our club this past Tuesday to fill us in on all the Spirit of South Carolina is doing for the young people in Charleston and the surrounding coastal areas. It also allowed all Rotarians to see our dollars at work as our club, through RCCF, has provided two grants to help The Spirit of South Carolina.

The ship is a pilot Schooner reminiscent of the Frances Elizabeth, a ship that was built here in Charleston in 1879. The new ship's plans were adapted from plans for the Frances Elizabeth, which were found in the Smithsonian Institute.

The ship was officially launched in March of 2007 and has been busy ever since then. She is a 140 foot long ship that focuses on a cause near and dear to one of Rotary's most valued causes, education. She not only teaches young people how to sail, kids that participate learn the value of team work and can incorporate things they are currently learning in school to the ship such as history and math. Most students that participate in the many programs she offers are 5th to 8th graders and come from all over the Lowcountry, typically through their schools.

The most popular program, the Day Sailors, caters to students in the Charleston, Georgetown and Buford areas. Students come on board with their class and spend the day on the ship learning and having fun. This summer, the Spirit of South Carolina hosted 40 students for a brand new six-week program that showed huge success. This program was funded by the South Carolina Education Department and allowed students to participate in 5 weeks of land programs that included reading, swimming, local college tours, math etc. After completing 5 weeks on land, 37 graduates of the program got to spend a week on the ship in New York's Long Island Sound putting to use all that they had learned and getting to experience all sorts of new things including for most of the kids, a first plane ride to and from New York City. The goal of this program is to increase literacy, learning and staying in school to all of our young people here. The program, through the funding provided by the Education Department, was at no cost to any of the students. This program was a huge success and one the Maritime Center hopes to continue well into the future.

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

**Jim Buxton** gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Stovall White** introduced *visiting Rotarians & guests*. **Tom Sweeny** introduced our guest, **Sarah Piwinski**.

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### President's Corner



#### President Kyra:

I am writing to encourage your participation in the 2010 Montreal Convention. The Convention will be celebrating 100 years of Rotary in Canada and will be held in Montreal from June 20-23. For details & registration, go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

Last year I went to the International Convention in Birmingham, England and saw so many clubs there with much more representation than just their incoming President. Although I met people and had fun while I was there, I was a little envious of the camaraderie some of the other clubs had. Montreal is a lot more accessible for us and it is a lovely place to vacation. Brian Johnson will go this year as our incoming President. I am going to go to continue to bug him—uh, I mean to continue our leadership collaboration. It would be fun to get as many of us together there as we can.

Please consider this as part of your 2010 summer plans. Let Brian or me know, and we'll try to coordinate some plans to enhance our time there.

#### 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/

There are many other worthwhile programs that The Spirit of South Carolina does and many new ones that will come down the pipe in the future. It's a unique way for us to take advantage of the ocean and teach kids of all ages not only sailing, but many other things that will hopefully enrich their life and focus on the importance of education.

There are many ways you can help: Funding a student or class which is what our two grants did. You can make donations, volunteer your time, contribute to the Donate a Book program they just recently started for students and many other ways. For more information, please visit [sclaritime.org](http://sclaritime.org).

*Contributed by Darby Siegel, Keyway Committee*

#### Don't Forget Our Schools:

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).

#### Chili Cook-Off - Get Hot:

Our Fall Social is this coming Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8pm at the Charleston Rifle Club. This will be held in lieu of our regular meeting that day. Spouses and guests are \$15.00. Members should RSVP to Carroll at [chas-rot@comcast.net](mailto:chas-rot@comcast.net) or 971-4352 by Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. **CHILI COOKS ARE NEEDED!** Individuals or teams can compete and it is as easy as making it at home and bringing it to the event. It is best brought in a crockpot that can be plugged in and served.

**Please remember, there is no lunch meeting on October 27th. Hope to see everyone at the social!**

#### Contact a Member:

Remember if you need contact information for any of our members, 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. If you have any questions, you can contact Carroll at [chas-rot@comcast.net](mailto:chas-rot@comcast.net) or Willis Cantey at [willis@canteytechnology.com](mailto:willis@canteytechnology.com)

#### Silver Spoon Award:

President Kyra presented the silver spoon award to **Jim Buxton** for his involvement in so many Rotary activities.



**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 Club  
600 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

**Our Members:**

Please continue to keep **Tom Waring** and his family, as well as **Alex Grimsley** in your thoughts and prayers.

**RCCF Accepting Grant Applications:**

The Rotary Club of Charleston Fund (RCCF) is accepting requests for grants. Interested organizations are required to submit a letter of inquiry and a completed grant application form prior to November 1<sup>st</sup>. The application form and other details regarding the process can be found on our website --- [www.charleston-rotary.org](http://www.charleston-rotary.org).

**Teacher of the Month:**

On behalf of our club and the Education Committee, **Beth Savage** recognized Joanna Herscher of our school partner, Mitchell Elementary School as our October Teacher of the Month. Joanna was presented a certificate and a restaurant gift certificate. We thank Joanna for her hard work in helping to improve student achievement.

**New Fundraiser Coming Soon:**

Our fundraising committee has worked “behind the scenes” on a new big fundraiser for our club in the coming year. Our club will no longer be participating in Rotary Wheels, but will be partnering with the Red Cross and Charleston Riverdogs to host a ball drop at Joe Riley Stadium after a Riverdogs game in July. This will be a fun event similar to the Duck Race, but will involve foam balls being dropped into targets at the stadium. There will be sponsorship and volunteer opportunities, contact **Amy Riley** at [riley.a@thomas-hutton.com](mailto:riley.a@thomas-hutton.com)

**Wellness Tip of the Week:**

Taking the stairs is a great way to increase your daily physical activity. But let’s face it—if you must decide between riding to the 5th floor in a carpeted, well-lit elevator versus walking up flights of stairs surrounded by stark gray walls and concrete floors, which would you choose?

<http://take-the-stairs.rotarywellness.info>

**Birthdays**

Oct. 29 – Al Johnson  
Nov. 1 – Ricky Bailey

**Attendance  
October 6th**

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Anderson, T., Anderson, I., Baldwin, Brack, Brown, Bryan, Bullard, Burwell, Butts, Cantey, Chapman, Coker, Crowe, Dewey, Di-Maggio, Dukes, G., Echols, Edwards, England, Fimian, Fishburne, Forbes, Gaillard, Barnes Gailliard, Galos, Gasperson, Geffert, Gilbert, Gill, Ginn, Green, D., Green, R., Greene, G., Hawkins, Humphries, Husser, Jackson, Ellen, Jenkins, Johnson, A., Johnson, J., Jones, Kerrigan, Kramer, Krawcheck, Lansu, Laurens, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Livingston, Lucash, Mandell, McCormack, Medich, Miller, Mills, Moring, Morse, Moss, Outlaw, Peters, Postell, Prewitt, Ravenel, Riley, Rosa, Rosen, Seguer, Smith, L., Smith, H., Sommer-Kresse, Standard, Stoney

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