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Rotary Calendar

November 17, 2009
**Bernie Riedel, Past
 District Governor, on
 the Rotary
 Foundation**

November 24, 2009
**Governor Mark
 Sanford**

Dec. 1, 2009
**Annual Meeting to
 elect board members;
 Nick Rigas of SC
 Wind Consortium**

Rotarians Eradicating Polio

November 10, 2009: Our speaker Ms. Sharon Bringer MS, RN, Deputy Vice President for Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers Association of America, a trade association in Washington, DC, shared where we are in our battle to eradicate polio. She gave us unique and fresh insight as to how Rotary has been instrumental in helping to stymie the spread of and reduce damage from the devastating effects from polio since it launched its Polio Plus campaign in 1985. While great progress has been made throughout most of the world, there is still significant work to be done in the four countries of India, Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan.



Sharon Bringer

She praised Rotary's contribution in creating a 99% reduction in the number of polio cases worldwide since 1988. Through these efforts type 2 Wild Polio Virus was eradicated in 1999. With all that good news, there are approximately 1500 cases in four countries that have a polio epidemic. It has been determined that switching to a “polio control” approach would actually cost more than eradicating the disease; therefore, it is essential that we continue routine immunization and focus on fully eradicating polio. Rotary has and will continue to have a key role in this mission.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation awarded the Rotary Foundation a \$100 million Grant to support the Global Polio Eradication initiative in 2007. Rotary's challenge now is to match these funds over three years. A great deal of focus is being put on improving global health, including polio. The Global Health Progress initiative seeks to bring research-based biopharmaceutical companies and global health leaders together to improve the health in the developing world.

According to Ms. Bringer, even with all the resources devoted to and focus by world leaders, Rotary still plays a very key role in eradicating polio. In some of the more difficult to access areas, such as Afghanistan and Pakistan, Rotary members can get access to and supplies into remote and hard to reach areas easier than the government. She praised Rotary for not only their financial support, but also for their contacts with people to get things done in these areas.

We must continue to be vigilant and focus on fully eradicating polio. Even in the United States, with the resistance by individuals to vaccinate children, polio could make resurgence if we do not make it a priority.
Submitted by Wayne Outlaw, Keyway Committee

In other business. . .

Bernie Groseclose gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Legare Clement** introduced *visiting Rotarians & guests*. **John Bleecker** introduced our guest, **Sharon Bringer**.

President's Corner**President Kyra:****November 17th**

We are pleased to have Bernie Riedel, District Foundational Chair join us for lunch this Tuesday. Bernie joined Rotary in 1992 and has served in multiple leadership roles, he was honored as District Rotarian of the year in 2004. He is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, 10 Star Rotarian, Benefactor, member of the Paul Harris Society and along with his Rotarian wife Nancy, Major Donors and members of the Bequest Society. Bernie will discuss:

- Past Giving
- Foundation History
- Polio
- Where does the money go
- How can we support the foundation

The Keyway**Rotary Foundation Specials:**

Every Tuesday in November, we will draw a name of a Rotarian who has already made a contribution to the RF this year. The Rotarian will win a \$25 gift certificate from Sal Barco's Mustard Seed Restaurants. You must be present to win.

Also, any Rotarian who makes an additional gift of \$ 100 to the RF Annual Program Fund and \$50 to Polio Plus during the month of November or December will also receive a \$25 gift certificate from Sal Barco's Mustard Seed Restaurants. This is an excellent way to fulfill your end of the year charitable giving.

Holiday Social :

Our holiday social will be an evening event this year held in lieu of our regular lunch meeting that day. Rotarians and their spouse/guest are invited to O'Malley's downtown on Tuesday, December 15th from 5pm-7pm for dinner and cocktails. There is no charge for members. Spouses/guests are \$15. This will be a fun, festive event, so mark your calendars now to attend.

New Paul Harris Fellows:

President Kyra recognized the following members with Paul Harrison Fellows:

Foster Gaillard, Sylva Gailliard, Valerie Morris, Bruce Murdy, Don Oswalt, Angel Postell, Amy Riley, Jennet Robinson-Alterman, Fred Sales, Abby Saunders, Dyson Scott, Kurt Seguer, Darby Siegel, Hilton Smith, Tommy Taylor, Bill Trawick, Stephanie Wilson, Stovall Witte

Congratulations to these members! Your contributions to Rotary and the Rotary Foundation are appreciated!



(Front Row L to R): Hilton Smith, Amy Riley, Fred Sales, Stephanie Wilson, Valerie Morris, Bruce Murdy; (Back Row L to R): Kurt Seguer, Stovall Witte, Foster Gaillard, Abby Saunders, Don Oswalt, Jennet Alterman

The Senior Giving Tree :

The Senior Aging & Issues Committee will again sponsor our annual Senior Giving Tree. "Ornaments" with gift requests from seniors will be available for members to pick up starting this Tuesday, Nov. 17th. Gifts should be wrapped and returned to a future Rotary meeting. Any questions or if you would like to make a contribution, please contact Mary Peters.

Proposed New Member:

Name: Charles Kaiser

Address: 1416 Birthright St., Chas., SC 29407

Class.: Educ/Univ/Psychology

Sponsor: Valerie Morris

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

Important: Annual Meeting Set for December 1st

Our annual meeting to elect board members is scheduled for Tuesday, December 1. Please mark your calendars to attend. A list of members eligible to serve on the board can be found on page 4 this issue.

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

Rotary Foundation: Polio Plus

Polio Plus is the focus of week three of Foundation Month. Over the past several years our Club has provided substantial monies through District grant to a host of organizations, none more important this Polio Plus.

Polio Plus is Rotary's most ambitious program; it is considered the volunteer arm of the global partnership dedicated to eradicating polio which is the main focus of this great organization since 1985. For more than 20 years, Rotary has led the private sector in the global effort to rid the world of this crippling and horrific disease. Currently, Polio Plus and its role in the initiative is most certainly recognized worldwide. It is a model of public-private cooperation in pursuit of a humanitarian goal, unsurpassed by any other. Additionally to providing financial and volunteer support, Rotary (through the Foundation) continues to work to urge support from other public organizations as well as other private sector partners. This includes the campaign to *End Polio Now*, which was inspired by the grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation that has generated so much public acclaim and recognition globally.

Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating polio however a strong push is needed now to root it out for good. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions. The board and respective Foundation leaders implore all members to do their part to pass the torch and finish the task that was started some 24 years ago. The good news is that Polio eradication is within our grasp. That said; if we don't eradicate the disease now it will continue to threaten the world's children, which is something that must be remedied.

Quick Facts about Polio:

- A crippling and potentially fatal infectious disease, polio still strikes children primarily under the age of five in countries in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.
- Polio can cause paralysis and sometimes death. Because there is no cure for polio, the best protection is prevention.
- Polio can cause paralysis within hours, and polio paralysis is almost always irreversible.
- In the most severe cases, polio attacks the motor neurons of the brain stem, causing breathing difficulty or even death.

Historically, polio has been the world's greatest cause of disability.

We can continue to make a difference:

The Rotary Foundation Matching Grants are saving and changing lives. More than US 335MM have been distributed through more than 30,000 grants since the first Matching Grant was awarded in 1965. These wonderful achievements essentially made these grants possible through generous donations and aid in the facilitation of the most important aspect of Rotary which is to put *Service above Self* which can be achieved by giving just \$100 a year. This relatively modest donation equates to less than \$2 a week to the Annual Programs Fund through the Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY) initiative.

The scary truth is encapsulated by the following notion; if polio is not eradicated, the world will continue to be at the mercy of the threat of the disease. This will lend itself to more than 10 million more children potentially being paralyzed in the next 40 years if the world fails rid itself of it. Globally, Rotarians must continue to unite as they have always done; this Club must continue to play our part in the fight as well.

Birthday

- Nov. 17 – Dyson Scott
- Nov. 21 – Jake Burrows

Attendance November 11th
95

Members Absent:

- Anderson, T., Baldwin, Berlin, Brown, E., Bullard, Chapman, Coker, Condon, Crowe, DeBiasi, Dewey, Dopp, Dukes, Echols, Edwards, Elsasser, England, Fishburne, Forbes, Barnes Gailliard, Galos, Gasperson, Gill, Ginn, Green, D., Green, R., Greene, G., Hawkins, Hood, Humphries, Jenkins, Johnson, A., Johnson, J., Kelley-Duncan, Kerrigan, Kramer, Krawcheck, Laurens, Lawrence, Leibowitz, Livingston, Lucash, Mandell, Matheny, McGinley, McKelvey, Mills, Pate, Peters, Postell, Rosa, Rosen, Savage, Schaefer, Scott, Siegel, Smith, L., Stoney, Strickland, Sullivan, Sumner, Trawick, von Werssowetz, Welborn, Wertime, Wish, Yarborough, Zucker

Out of Town Make-ups:
None

Wellness Tip:

The Rainbow to a healthier you! Simply adding a fruit or vegetable to your meal can make a difference.

<http://fruit-veg-tables.rotarywellness.info>

BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

In line with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Rotary Club of Charleston, the secretary shall supply each member in good standing with a roster giving the names of those members who are eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

The By-Laws were revised in July 2009 and state that to be eligible for election to the Board of Directors, a selectee, must be a member in good standing of the Rotary Club of Charleston (with no current dues delinquencies) and must be a member of the Rotary Club of Charleston for at least twenty four (24) months as of October 1 of the year in which the election is to occur. Additionally, the selectee must have exhibited regular and reliable attendance of at least 70% (including make-ups) over the past twelve (12) months and must not have served on the Board in the prior twelve (12) months unless otherwise permitted herein. A member must also have actively participated in a committee of the Club, as determined by the nominating committee. If elected, a member must agree to become a sustaining member of the Rotary Foundation and agree to attend at least one of the following District meetings: District Convention, District Assembly or District Foundation Meeting.

The list of eligible members shall be presented to the members of the Club who shall by ballot each indicate their first through fourth preferences from the below list of eligible members to serve on the Board of Directors for the coming year. Each member, in attendance at the annual meeting, or by proxy previously submitted, shall have four (4) votes to elect the four (4) new Board Members. **The annual meeting will be held Tuesday, December 1.**

Rotary members who are to serve on the Board of Directors during the 2010-2011 year are Kyra Morris, Brian Johnson, Tom Clymer, Valerie Morris and Lorraine Perry. Outgoing members are Andy Anderson, Robin Freer and Don Oswalt..

Nominating Committee

The following members have been assigned by President Kyra Morris and Nominating Chairperson, Jermaine Husser, to the Nominating Committee: Andy Brack, Amy Jenkins, John Bleecker, Amy Riley and Tom Sweeny.

Members Eligible for Nomination

(Please circle 4 candidates and indicate first through fourth preference)

Atkins, Jim	Grimsley, Alex	Stuhr, Johnny
Bailey, Ricky	Groseclose, Bernie	Taylor, Tommy
Burt, David	Jones, Kathy	Tecklenberg, John
Burwell, Elizabeth	Kelley-Duncan, Barbara	Ustin, Joan
Butts, Dan	Kohli, Mary Ann	Walker, Earl
Christian, Bill	Lyles, Thomas	Waring, Tom
Coe, Steve	Moss, Chris	Welborn, Paul
Coker, Cooper	Parker, Jim	Wish, Merrill
Cook, Jeremy	Prewitt, Bill	
Dallis, Alex	Sales, Fred	
Dewey, Rob	Savage, Beth	
Dopp, Steve	Sifford, Jerry	
Dowell, Richard	Smith, Mark	
Dunaway, Rhett	Smith, Patterson	
Edwards, John	Smith, Hilton	
Fellabom, Leslie	Stevens, George	

All eligible members will be listed on the ballot unless they notify Carroll prior to Nov. 30 and ask to have their name removed.

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in all you do.**

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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