



# The Keyway

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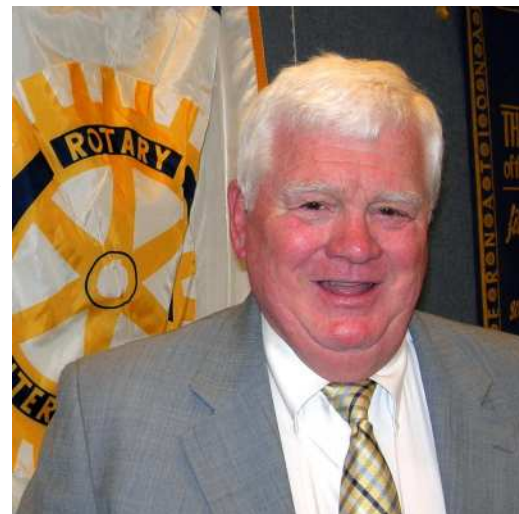
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## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

April 27, 2010: **Vice Chairman John E. “Butch” Howard** of the Public Service Commission told us that the commission began in 1878 as a Railroad Commission, followed by the PSC in 1919 and the two groups became one in 1934. The PSC’s mission is to regulate the state’s investor owned utilities.



*Butch Howard*

Today the PSC regulates Electric: Duke Power, Lockhart Power, Progress Energy and SCE&G. Also Natural Gas: Piedmont Natural Gas and SCE&G, Water and Sewer, Telecommunications, For Hire Transportation, Household Goods Movers, and Hazardous Waste Transportation and Disposal.

Act 175 of the SC Legislature moved the regulatory functions to the Office of Regulatory Staff making PSC a Quasi-Judicial Body. The PSC can no longer handle complaints but encourages settlements by adversaries. Hearings have involved Telecommunications 30%, Transportation 28%, Electric 20%, Water/Wastewater 17% and Gas 5%.

### Rotary Calendar

In two cases before the U.S. Supreme court standards were set entitling utilities to earn a reasonable and sufficient rate of return, and to fix just and reasonable rates to balance both investor and consumer interests.

**May 4, 2010**

**David Dunlap, Roper St. Francis, on Obamacare & Roper developments**

Among others some of the major issues facing the PSC are: rate requests, energy efficiency programs, demand side management programs, renewable energy, nuclear energy production, emission control, quality of service.

**May 11, 2010**

**Recognizing Rotary Service Above Self Scholars**

In response to a question about nuclear power he noted that the projected cost of 18 billion dollars to build a new plant has made such construction virtually impossible.

*Reported by Fred Sales, Keyway Committee*

**May 18, 2010**

**Civil War Series with Dr. Nic Butler of Chas. County Library on Music during the Civil War**

**In other business. . .**

**Valerie Morris** gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Robert Sumner** introduced visiting *Rotarians & guests*. **Rich Dukes** introduced our speaker, Butch Howard of the Public Service Commission.

**President's Corner****President Kyra:****Upcoming Meetings:****Veterans Committee:**

May 4 at 11:30

**Board Meeting:**

May 11 at 11:00

**Program Committee:**

May 18 at 11:30

**Join a Committee, Get Involved:**

The incoming board will hold their planning retreat on April 30<sup>th</sup> and will begin focusing on the upcoming Rotary year. If you are interested in serving as a chairperson of a committee or you are just interested in becoming part of a committee, please let Brian or a board member know. The board wants to get everyone involved in our club in the upcoming year!

**The Four Way Test**

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

**The Keyway  
Announcements****Silver Spoon:**

The Silver Spoon winner was **Past President Dyson Scott** for his continuing service to our club and our district by traveling to Peru to install water systems! Thanks for all you do Dyson!

**Attendance Policy Reminder:**

Our club's overall attendance percentage has been on the decline and continues to drop. For the month of March, our attendance as a club was 59%. This is not good! As Rotarians, you should be reminded that your membership is contingent upon your attendance. If you absolutely cannot be present at our weekly meeting, you can keep your attendance record clean by attending a "make-up" meeting within 14 days before or after the meeting you missed. The list of area club meetings is listed on page 3 of this issue. Make-ups can also be conveniently done on-line from your home or office at [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org). All members are expected to maintain their attendance at 60% and, right now, we have many members that are currently below that level. We realize everyone has busy schedules and the weather outside is beautiful, but as Rotarians you committed to attending our weekly meetings. We value everyone's participation and hope that you will make Rotary a weekly priority.

**Member News:**

Our sincerest congratulations to **Ed Vaughan** and his wife on the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth McCrady, on April 20th.

**The Ducks are Coming:**

The Duck Race is fast approaching and we need our entire membership's full support to adopt ducks! This is our one big fundraiser of the year! Our club is dead last in duck adoptions among the area Rotary clubs participating in the race and we have the largest membership! We have 5,000 ducks to adopt and still have a long way to go. Mother's Day is coming up and families will again be together. Take a moment to ask your friends and family. Spring is a busy time around the lowcountry, if you know of any upcoming events in our area that you think would serve as a good venue for adopting ducks, let your team captain know and put a team together to attend.

**Proposed New Member**

Name: **Angela Kirk**  
 Address: 1324 Telfair Way, Charleston, SC  
 Class.: Consultant/International Business  
 Sponsor: Andy Brack

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

**Pres. Kyra & Dyson**

**Paul & Catherine Welborn adopting ducks on behalf of the "You Quack Me Up" team @ the i5K race @ the Maritime Center last week.**

**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

**Visitors from South Africa:**

We were pleased to welcome four Rotary Members from South Africa who were visiting our Charleston club as a part of the Friendship Exchange International Program. Flags were exchanged between their four clubs and ours.



**Visit Ambassadorial & Peace Scholar Blogs:**

Both our Ambassadorial Scholar, Rachel Ward, and our RI World Peace Scholar, Keely Robinson, have set up blogs to keep our membership abreast of their studies and work while abroad. Be sure to visit often to read about their experiences.

**Keely Robinson's** blog entitled Way South of the Border at [www.waysouthoftheborder.blogspot.com](http://www.waysouthoftheborder.blogspot.com).

**Rachel Ward's** blog can be found at [www.serendipitoussenders.blogspot.com](http://www.serendipitoussenders.blogspot.com)

**Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship:**

**John Bleecker** has graciously offered his lovely oceanfront home on Isle of Palms (2500 Palm Blvd.) to do a Wine Tasting and PolioPlus Fund Raiser on Wednesday, May 19th from 6:30 - 8:30pm. The cost is \$25 for RWAFF members and \$30 non-members (All the wine and food will be donated. Therefore 100% of your contribution will go to Polio Eradication). Please contact President Kyra at [kyra.morris@mfcplanners.com](mailto:kyra.morris@mfcplanners.com) to ask questions and indicate your interest. This event is open to all Rotaries - and to all friends and family.

**Teacher of the Month**

Congratulations to Shavonna Coakley of our school partner, Mitchell Elementary School, for being selected as Teacher of the Month. **Tom Sweeney** presented her the award on behalf of our club and thanked Shavonna for her hard work in helping to improve student achievement.



Tom & Shavonna

**Wellness Tip:  
The Fit Five**

What does it mean to be physically "fit?" Being fit is defined only by what kind of activity you do, how long you do it, or at what level of intensity.

<http://fit-five.rotarywellness.info>

**Birthdays**

May 11 – David Cohen  
May 12 – Michael Leibowitz

**Attendance**

April 27, 2010  
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**Members Absent**

Anderson, T., Anderson, I., Berlin, Boyd, Brown, E., Cantey, Clymer, Coker, Crowe, Dallis, Dopp, Dowell, Echols, Edwards, Elsasser, England, Fellabom, Fimian, Fishburne, Gaillard, Gasperson, Geffert, Gill, Ginn, Green, D., Greene, G., Holz, Hood, Husser, Johnson, A., Juliana, Kelley-Dunca, Kerrigan, Kohli, Krawcheck, Laurens, Leibowitz, Lucash, Lucy, Mandell, McCormack, McGinley, McMaster, Miller, Mills, Morse, Moss, Murdy, Postell, Ravenel, Riley, J., Rosen, Saboe, Schaefer, Seguer, Siegel, Sommer-Kresse, Strickland, Stuhr, Sullivan, Sullivan, Taylor, Tecklenburg, Thomas, L., Thomas, R., Trawick, Ustin, Van Rysselberge, Vaughan, von Wersowetz, Welborn, Weldon, Wertimer, Witte, Yarborough, Zucker

**Out of Town Make-Ups:**

Merrill Wish – Latta, SC & Dillon, SC

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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