



The Keyway

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Rotary Calendar

May 25, 2010
Honoring Charleston
County Teacher of Year
& Honor Roll Teachers

June 1, 2010
Piccolo Spoleto

June 8, 2010
Rob Dewey, Coastal
Crisis Chaplaincy

**June 15, 2010 @
6:15pm**
Board Transition &
Social @ Riverdogs (no
lunch meeting)

Music During the Civil War

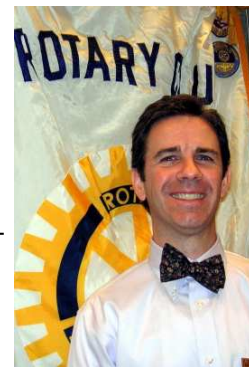
May 18, 2010: During the speaker introduction, former Rotarian President, Andy Brack explained that in honor of the approaching 150th Civil War anniversary, the Rotary Club of Charleston has included programs to inform us how life was during the mid eighteenth century. Our speaker, Dr. Nic Butler did more than just inform us; his fascinating presentation included musical audio, photos and a captivating history of music during the Civil War.

Dr. Butler divided his presentation into three topics: Commercial Market for Music, Caucasian and African American Bands and Slave Songs (“Spirituals”).

The Civil War was the first event in U.S. history when there was a commercial market for music. Music evolved as an industry as profits were made mass producing sheet music. The majority of the sheet music was anthems of the North and South. Dr. Butler gave southern examples such as “God Save the South” and “Bonnie Blue Flag.” After a short brass band audio of “Bonnie Blue Flag” was played, Dr. Butler explained that it was actually composed by Irishman, Harry McCarthy of Arkansas. Similarly, another Irishman by the name of Dan Emmet, composed one of the most famous and controversial Civil War anthems, “Dixie Land.”

In addition to Civil War anthems, Dr. Butler gave a short history lesson on the importance of Civil War bands. He explained that their drums, fifes and bugles were responsible for specific cadence signals during battle. Contrary to popular belief, Dr. Butler noted that the majority of bands were comprised of skilled musicians, not just teenage boys. Towards the end of the war, the Union Army recruited African American slaves to join their bands. Civil War “black musicians” were also a part of our local Charleston history.

“Major” Peter Brown was born a “free man of color” in 1803 and is considered one of Charleston’s most famous musicians. Mr. Brown’s 50 year musical career includes his role as the leader of John C. Calhoun’s funeral band. “Black musicians” continued to have a place in Lowcountry history, as post Civil War bands are credited for the beginnings of Jazz. Most well known, is the Jenkins Orphanage Band. (Continued on page 2)



Dr. Nic Butler

In other business. . .

Bill Christian gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Don Oswalt** introduced visiting *Rotarians & guests*. **Past President Andy Brack** introduced our speaker Dr. Nic Butler of the Charleston County Library.

President's Corner



President Kyra:

Upcoming Meetings:

Veterans Committee:
May 25 at 11:30

Program Committee:
June 1 at 11:30

Board Meeting:
June 8 at 11:00

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?

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In addition to Civil War “Black musicians” and their role in the jazz movement, Dr. Butler discussed slave songs and their often unrecognized role in modern music. Popular slave songs such as “Michael Row the Boat Ashore” originated in the Lowcountry. These “call and response” songs are also known as “black spiritual” songs and are an important part of our Charleston legacy.

Dr. Butler ended his presentation with his three topic conclusions: commercialism encouraged uniformity, the legacy of “black bands” is often overlooked and Lowcountry “Spirituals” are world-renowned.

-- Submitted by Teal Van Saun, Keyway Committee

Announcements

Silver Spoon:

This week’s Silver Spoon was awarded to **Herb McGuire** for all of his “behind the scenes work” for Rotary. Thanks for all of your hard work, Herb!



Herb McGuire & Pres. Kyra

Fun Is Good—Social @ Riverdogs:

We are going to end this Rotary year with a little fun. Rotarians and their families are invited to our End of the Year/Board Transition Social at the Riverdog game on Tuesday, June 14 at 6:15pm under the tent on the 1st base side of the stadium. There will plenty of food, drinks, fellowship and FUN! Mark your calendars now to attend!

May Teacher of the Month:

Congratulations to Angie Greene of our school partner, Mitchell Elementary School, for being selected as Teacher of the Month. **Barbara Kelley-Duncan** presented her the award on behalf of our club and thanked Angie for her hard work in helping to improve student achievement.



Barbara Kelley-Duncan & Angie Greene

Join A Committee, Get Involved:

The incoming board held it’s planning retreat and are 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!

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

Keep Adopting Those Ducks:

Count down is on! The Duck Race is less than a month away and our club is currently at 41% of our goal for adopting ducks. We need everyone to get out and adopt ducks. Ask friends or colleagues at work or have your business consider a sponsorship. Besides getting race day recognition, there is a gala the night before the race. Dan Butts has arranged for our club to adopt ducks at the May 21 and May 23 Riverdog games, but needs a couple of volunteers to assist him. If you are interested, please let him know. What a fun way to earn a make-up credit and help the club!

Get Up to Speed & Use the Database:

If you aren't currently using the District Database and have not updated your member contact information, please take a few minutes to do so. This is a wonderful tool for all of us and we want to keep it updated so it is beneficial when trying to contact another member of our club. We are no longer printing hard copies of a membership roster for everyone, because it was out of date the minute we printed it due to the turnover in membership and now it is just too easy to print your own version from the database at any time.

To access the District Database, please go to our website www.charleston-rotary.org and click on "Member Sign-In" in the upper left box. To complete the sign on procedure, enter your e-mail address as the User ID and your RI Member ID as your Password (your RI Member ID is on your monthly ROTARIAN magazine just above your Name, or you can ask me). After you have signed on, click on the "Members" tab at the top and then click on "View My Data". You can then edit/change your information including your User ID and Password to values of your choice.

Proposed New Member

Name: **Jeffrey Perez**

Address: The Citadel, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston, SC 29409

Class.:Educ/Military/Admin

Sponsor: Robin Freer

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

Wellness Tip:

Protect Yourself From Investment Scams

Investment scams come in a variety of forms. They can arrive via an unsolicited phone call, fax, e-mail or cold call at home or your place of business.

<http://investment-scams.rotarywellness.info>

Birthdays

May 26 – Bill Crowe
May 27 – Amy Jenkins

Attendance

May 18, 2010
89

Members Absent

Alterman, Anderson, T.,
Anderson, I., Atkins,
Berlin, Boyd, Brown, E.,
Bryan, Burt, Butts, Buxton,
Chapman, Condon,
Cook, Crowe, DeBiasi,
Dewey, Dopp, Dukes,
Dukes, Dunaway,
Echols, Edwards, El-sasser,
England, Fimian,
Fishburne, Forbes, Gaillard,
Barnes-Gailliard,
Galos, Geffert, Gilbert,
Gill, Ginn, Green, D.,
Greene, G., Hall, Ham,
Hood, Husser, Jamme,
Johnson, A., Juliana,
Kerrigan, Kopp, Kramer,
Krawcheck, Laurens,
Leibowitz, Livingston,
Mandell, McCormack,
McGinley, McKelvey,
McMaster, Medich,
Mills, Moring, Morse,
Moss, Murdy, Peters,
Prewitt, Riley, Riley,
Rosen, Saunders, Savage,
Seguer, Siegel, Sifford,
Smith, L., Smith, M.,
Smith, P., Strickland,
Sullivan, Sullivan, Taylor,
Thomas, Thomas,
Ustin, Van Rysselberge,
von Werssowetz,
Weldon, Witte, 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:

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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