



The Keyway

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Honoring Charleston County Teacher of the Year and Honor Roll

May 25, 2010: Dr. McGinley noted that five teachers would be honored. She thanked the Rotary Club of Charleston and spoke briefly about the five teachers who she referred to as “the cream of the crop” of all Charleston County teachers.

1. **Meike McDonald**, a math teacher from Clarke Academy, accompanied by her principal, Andrew Halevi, and her guest, Allen Porter.

2. **Bill Smyth**, a social studies teacher from Charleston School of the Arts, accompanied by his principal, Jim Reinhart.

3. **Jarrett Vella**, a social studies teacher from Military Magnet Academy, accompanied by his principal, Andy Townsend, and his wife, Lou Ellen Vella.

4. **Sarah Earle (Runner-Up)**, a French teacher from Stall High School, accompanied by her principal, Dan Connor, and her husband, Kevin Earle.

5. **Maisha Rounds (Teacher of the Year)**, a third grade elementary school teacher from Sanders Clyde Elementary, accompanied by her principal, Melvin Middleton, and her mother, Sandra Grant.



(back) Jarrett Vella, Meike McDonald, Bill Smythe; (front) Nancy McGinley, Sarah Earle, Maisha Rounds

Maisha then spoke to the assembly, thanking Rotarians for their commitment to teachers, schools, students and the community. She mentioned how impressed she was with our website. Maisha spoke about teaching as an act of service, service above self. She carried this theme throughout her presentation. She stated that “teachers are role models and heroes.” One of her hero’s is her own husband, who is currently serving our country through the military in Afghanistan. She stated that “service above self is what drives our communities.” Maisha said that “we need to take the necessary steps to take our children to the next level in their lives and education; that the most significant investment we can make is in the future of our children.” She said that “by touching the lives of others and giving back to the community we can improve the quality of life for other people.” She also said that “students will rise or fall to our expectations... we should expect more of them.”

When asked who the most inspirational and influential person was in her life, she responded by saying: “my mother.” Her mother was given a resounding applause. When asked what she thought the biggest challenge was in education today, her response was: “literacy.” She said that “literacy is tied to the success or failure of students today.” Upon the completion of her presentation, she was given a standing ovation and lengthy applause. *Submitted by Bill Christian*

Rotary Calendar

June 1, 2010
 Piccolo Spoleto

June 8, 2010
 Rob Dewey, Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy

June 15, 2010
 Social / Board Transition at Riverdogs

June 22, 2010
 Hon. Roger Young, Circuit Court Business Court pilot program

June 29, 2010
 Fmr. Rep. Charlie Stenholm on federal energy policy & alternative sources of energy

In other business. . .

Jerry Sifford gave the invocation and led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. **Earl Walker** introduced visiting *Rotarians & guests*. **Joan Ustin** introduced our speakers Dr. Nancy McGinley, Superintendent of Charleston County School district and District Teacher of the Year, Maisha Rounds.

President's Corner



President Kyra:

Upcoming Meetings:

Program Committee:
June 1 at 11:30

Board Meeting:
June 6 at 11:30

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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Announcements

Silver Spoon:

This week's Silver Spoon was awarded to **Richard Dowell** for all of his work promoting wellness in our schools and for his expertise with the duck call this past weekend at the Riverdogs came thank you for supporting our fundraiser!



Richard Dowell & President-Elect Brian Johnson

Member News:

Our sincerest condolences to **Rob Dewey** and his family on the death of his mother this past Friday in Memphis. Please continue to keep Rob and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Great news ... Reports are that **Johnny Jordan** is back in Charleston and doing well! He received a lung transplant a couple of months ago at Duke and has been going through rehab and recovery in Durham. We look forward to having him back at Rotary real soon!

Big THANKS to a couple of Rotarians **Cooper Coker** and **Robin Freer** for spending their Saturday morning picking up trash on Harborview Road as a part of our Adopt-A-Highway Service Project; **Willis Cantey** for his assistance and expertise in video taping last week's Civil War speaker - the presentation is available on our website for all who were absent last week; and to **John Tecklenberg, Rhett Dunaway, Richard Dowell, Bill Nettles, Tom Sweeny, Hilton Smith, Ken Caldwell** and **Carroll Schweers** for getting out to the Riverdogs games this past weekend and adopting some ducks!

Rotary Supports Wings for Kids:

On behalf of our club and the Rotary Club of Charleston Fund, **Past President Mark Smith** presented a grant check in the amount of \$2,500 to Liz Mester of Wings for Kids this past Tuesday. Our club's donation will help with the purchase of bulk art supplies and sports equipment used in the Choice Time program that rewards progress and good behavior. The supplies will be used in the 2010-2011 school year. The program serves 140 children at Memminger Elementary School. Congratulations to Wings for Kids! We are pleased to support their efforts in our community!



Mark Smith, Liz Mester & Brian Johnson

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

Fun Is Good—Social at Riverdogs Game:

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! RSVP to Carroll & be sure to mark your calendars now to attend!

Keep Adopting Those Ducks:

Count down is on! The Duck Race is two weeks away and we need to make that last push 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.



Change In Status:

If you plan a change in your club membership status by July 1, 2010 to Excused, Leave of Absence or if you are planning to resign from the club, please notify Carroll Schweers in writing **NO LATER** than June 4, 2010. This will affect July billing. All current members who officially resign after June 4 will be billed \$42 to cover Rotary International dues, which are paid the first of the billing cycle. If you have any questions, contact Carroll.

Travel To India with Group Study Exchange:

The District is need of a Group Study Exchange (GSE) team leader for the India trip 11/19-12/20/2010. This is a trip of a lifetime, serving as an international ambassador of goodwill and friendship. Leader candidates must be seasoned Rotarians between 40 and 60 years of age. Candidates must be in good health with skills in interpersonal relations, communication and public speaking, who are anxious to please and eager to work hard. Team Leader interviews will be held at the Daniel Island Country Club at 8am on Saturday, June 12th. If you are interested, please see Carroll for an application.

Wellness Tip:

Understanding Asthma
Asthma is a chronic disease that plagues over 20 million Americans. Specifically, it affects a person's airways—the tubes that carry air in and out of the lungs.

<http://understanding-asthma.pdf.rotarywellness.info>

Birthdays

June 1 – Jodie-Beth Galos
June 3 – Peter Wertimer
June 6 – Johnny Jordan

Attendance

May 25, 2010
103

Members Absent

Anderson, T., Anderson, I., Atkins, Berlin, Boyd, Brown, Brown, Bryan, Bullard, Caldwell, Can-
tey, Chapman, Clement, Clymer, Coe, Coker, Condon, Crowe, Dewey, Dukes, Edwards, El-
sasser, England, Festa, Fimian, Fishburne, Forbes, Gaillard, Galos, Gasperson, Geffert, Gill,
Green, D., Green, R., Ham, Hood, Husser, Johnson, A., Juliana, Kelley-Duncan, Kerri-
gan, Kohli, Kopp, Kramer, Krawcheck, Lansu, Laurens, Lei-
bowitz, Lucash, Lucy, Mandell, McKelvey, McMaster, Moring, Mor-
ris, K., Murdy, Postell, Ravenel, Riley, J., Saboe, Scott, Siegel, Smith, L., Smith, P.,
Sommer-Kresse, Ste-
vens, Strickland, Sulli-
van, Sullivan, Trawick,
von Werssowetz,
Weldon, Wilson, Witte,
Yarborough, Zucker

Out of Town Make- Ups

Steve Dopp – York, Maine

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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