

November 27, 2023

Meeting Minutes

President Bill Keogh rang the bell and called the meeting to order.

Gould Hagler led us in the Pledge and Invocation.

Visiting Guest(s) were introduced.

Interact Students from Richmond Academy and Davidson Fine Arts introduced themselves.

Connie Melear gave the Sunshine Report today.

CART:

President Bill asked everyone to contribute to the blue buckets on the tables. You may give online at mycartfund.org. Login credentials are the same as DACDB. Also, please complete our club's Google form to sign up to be a Cart Challenger. The inside challenger this week was **Kevin Grogan**, and the outside challenger this week was **Hull Barrett, PC**.

Surendra Gupta announced that it was **Rotary Foundation** month and presented information to the club about how the **Rotary Foundation** supports **Rotary International**. He encouraged club members to contribute to the **Rotary Foundation** and its mission.

Football Follies: Stacy Tallent announced the winners of the last few weeks.

- Week 11 – **Dora Hall**
- Week 12 – **Gould Hagler**
- Week 13 – **AK Gulati**
- September Overall Winner – **Dave Brendza**
- October Overall Winner – **Dave Lewis**

President Bill reminded everyone that edits to our club's constitution and Bylaws have been emailed to all members. Our club will vote on these edits will be voted on in our **December 4, 2023**, meeting. Please contact **President Bill** if there are any questions about the proposed edits.

Upcoming Club Programs and Events:

- December 4 – Bernadette Fortune, CEO of Augusta/CSRA Habitat for Humanity will be our Guest Speaker.
- December 11 – Holiday Lunch meeting – Family and Children are welcome to attend.
- No meetings 12/25/2023, 01/01/2024 or 01/15/2024 due to the Holidays.
- All Clubs Conference – Jekyll Island – April 26-28, 2024

President Bill announced that a Serbian friendship visit is being planned for late April 2024. Additional details are forthcoming.

President Bill reminded the club that this year's Signature Fundraiser would support The Hale Foundation, Inc. The Hale Foundation operates the Hale House to serve people suffering from substance abuse and to help individuals recover from alcohol and drug abuse. Stay tuned for more information on our upcoming Rotary District Grant Project. Rotary helps our community through the generous donation of time and resources to worthy causes. In a word, *Rotarians make things better*.

Today's Program

Dat Hoang introduced our guest speaker today, **Dave Olsen**, President and Program Manager at Savannah River Mission Completion, LLC (SRMC).

Dave spoke to the club about SRMC's work to safely reduce the risk to the community and the environment from the radioactive liquid waste stored in underground waste tanks. The project is a 15-year project that entails extracting the radioactive liquid waste stored in waste tanks, immobilizing the sludge into glass, and the low activity waste to salt stone and operationally closing the waste tanks and ancillary equipment. This work significantly reduces the risk to the community and the environment.

President Bill led us in the four-way test and then adjourned the meeting.