# **Meeting Minutes**

President Shanda Vaughn rang the bell and called the meeting to order. Brittany Burnett gave the pledge and invocation. She began the invocation with a moment of silence for George Hall who passed away suddenly on Sunday morning. George has been a member of Rotary for nearly 30 years. There was no Sunshine Report given today. Club members introduced their guests in attendance today.

#### **Announcements**

- · Please continue to sign in each week so that we have a record of attendance.
- Everyone is encouraged to update their pictures and contact info on the DacDb website. This is the best way to access information on our club so please keep it updated.
- Our next social event will be at TopGolf on Monday October 18 from 11:00-2:00. Please RSVP by October 11 and specify if you intend to play golf.
- President Shanda announced that our next service project will be held October 23 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. This project is being held in conjunction with the AU Rotaract Club and we will be cleaning near the canal. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.
- The newly formed **Mentorship Committee** is looking for mentors to work with members of both the Young Professionals Association and the AU Rotaract Club. Anyone interested in either being a mentor or serving on the new committee should contact **Steve Munn**.

## College Pick'em

Rick Franza announced the winners of the fourth week of the season, Melvin LaPan finished in a tie with four others, but won on the tiebreaker. He will receive a \$50 gift card to a local restaurant. You should be getting an email from Ashley Duren for you to pick your games. If you do not receive the email please contact Rick, Ashley or President Shanda. Great prizes will be given out each week and there will be prizes for the top 3 at the end of the season. Remember, we are using the point spread to determine the winner of each game.

### Rotarian Highlight

President Shanda recognized and congratulated Anna Reeves for being named a Den of Distinction Founding Member by Augusta Technical College.

CART: This week's inside challenger is Past President Scott Williams and the outside challenger is Cranston Engineering. President Shanda asked everyone to please continue to contribute to the blue buckets on the table or online at mycartfund.org using the same login credentials you use with DACDB.

#### SAVE THE DATES

- Top Golf- Monday, October 18, 2021 (11-2)
- Veterans Day Program- Monday, November 8, 2021(12:15-1:15)
- Rotary Family Christmas-Monday, December 20, 2021(12:15-1:15)
- Signature Fundraiser-Monday, February 14, 2022 TBD
- · Annual Golf Tournament-Tuesday, May 3, 2022 TBD

# **New Member Orientation**

- Tuesday, October 19, 2021 (4:30-5:30) hosted by Herb Upton and Larry Toole.
- Tuesday, January 18, 2021 (4:30-5:30)
- Tuesday, April 19, 2021 (4:30-5:30)

#### **Committee Updates**

The New Member Engagement Committee will meet today immediately following the Club meeting.

# **Veterans Day Celebration**

The celebration will be held on 11/8/2021. If you are a veteran or someone in your immediate family is a veteran or currently serving in the military, please email President Shanda at vaughnshanda@gmail.com with your branch of service, rank and years of service.

#### **New Member Induction**

Kayla Cooper introduced our newest member, Ms. Candice Hillman, Executive Director of the Augusta Partnership for Children.

# Paul Harris Fellow Presentation

President Shanda presented a Paul Harris Fellow +1 pin to **Brad Means**. She has pins for club members who could not attend today and will present them as soon as possible.

# Guest Speaker/Program

Denise Vickers introduced a panel of guest speakers, Mr. Riley Hale (WRDW), Mr. Jay Jeffries (WFXG), and Mr. Tim Miller (WJBF). This distinguished panel of meteorologist represent the major networks in the CSRA.

All three speakers shared what inspired them to pursue this career and not surprisingly all three described experiences during their childhood that shaped their interest and curiosity in how weather forms and behaves.

They discussed how changes in technology and the vast number of weather models that are used to forecast the weather have helped improve accuracy over the years. They did caution everyone that most forecast are only accurate for four or five days.

All speakers encouraged members to download weather apps on their phones and to set alerts to help them stay aware of changes in weather. It was also recommended that everyone have a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio in your home in the event something happens in the middle of the night when you are not monitoring your devices.

At the end of the presentation, the panel took questions from the group.

President Shanda thanked the panelists and then led us in reciting the four-way test before adjourning the meeting.