

# THE BEAUFORT ROTARY CLUB

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about partnering with the Rotary.

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## Need a Meeting Makeup?

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 12:15 pm: Sea Island Rotary Club

Fridays, 7:30 am: Rotary Club of the Lowcountry

All clubs meet at Sea Island Presbyterian Church



# THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

# THE WHEEL

3/26/2025



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA BEAUFORT

## DISCOVER

What Makes the University of South Carolina Beaufort **UNIQUE**

The University of South Carolina Beaufort (USCB) is a distinctive institution within the University of South Carolina system, offering a unique blend of academic excellence, coastal charm, and community engagement. Here's what makes USCB stand out:

### 1. Stunning Coastal Location

Located in the Lowcountry region of South Carolina, USCB has three campuses:

**Bluffton Campus (main campus)** - Modern facilities near Hilton Head Island

**Beaufort Campus** - Historic waterfront location in downtown Beaufort

**Hilton Head Island Campus** - Home to the Hospitality Management program

Proximity to the Atlantic Ocean, rivers, and marshes provides students with hands-on learning opportunities in marine biology, environmental sciences, and sustainability studies.

### 2. Strong Academic Programs

Offers over 50 areas of study, including popular programs like:

*Marine Biology*

*Hospitality Management*

*Nursing*

*Computational Science*

*Studio Art*

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# ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUFORT

89 Years Strong – Chartered November 1934



## Program Lineup Today

Today: Dr. Eric Skipper, Provost USCB

## Club Calendar

**April 2:** Captain Tracy Isaac, Commander, Naval Hospital Beaufort

**April 9:** Robert H. Cooper, Jr., President, R. H. Cooper and Company LLC

## MEMBER MILESTONES

### MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

Walter Lubkin, 03/29/00;  
25 + 13 = 38 years

### MEMBER BIRTHDAY

Bernie Kole, 26 March

## 2025 HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP DATES:

Apr 12: K-P • June 14: R - Y  
Aug 9: A-F • Oct 11: G-J  
Dec 13: K-P



## TODAY'S SUPER DOOR PRIZE \$728 33 CARDS REMAINING

Congratulations to door prize winner **John Troutman** for winning a prize donated by **Bob Allen**.

### DONORS FOR DOOR PRIZES

Mar 26 – William D. Anderson  
Apr 2 – Swinton Anderson, Jr.  
Apr 9 – John Ballantyne  
Apr 16 – Robert Bussa

Today's door prize winner has a chance to win the SUPER DOOR PRIZE by pulling the winning playing card. If the Ace of Spades is not picked, the drawn card will be retired, and 20% of the door will be added to the pot for next week's raffle. Tickets are \$2.00 for one and \$5.00 for three. Contact Robert Bussa (312-927-5860) or Jay Patel (843-252-2745) regarding your donation.

**WELCOME VISITORS & GUESTS:** The Rotary Club of Beaufort extends a warm welcome to all our visitors and guests. We hope to see you again in the very near future.

### TODAY'S AGENDA

Lunch is Served • Call to Order • Pledge  
Introduction of Visitors and Guests  
Business and Announcements • Program  
Club Response • Final Remarks & Drawing  
Meeting Adjourned

### THANK YOU FROM THE SGT-AT-ARMS COMMITTEE

Howard Heckrotte, Jay Patel and Robert Bussa, would like to thank those Rotarians who come early to set up and those who stay after to close up.

### REMEMBER MEETING ETIQUETTE

Nametags and Rotary pins on, phones off. Please refrain from holding conversations when someone is addressing the club. Thanks for exercising proper courtesy.

### PURCHASE A MEAL TO GO

Because our club guarantees a specific number of meals for each meeting, we often have additional meals available to-go for \$5 each. Place your order with Robert Bussa, Ron Garrett or Jay Patel prior to the start of the meeting.

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Small class sizes and a student-to-faculty ratio of 17:1 foster personalized education. Research opportunities available in marine sciences, ecology, and cultural preservation.

### 3. Focus on Career Readiness

Strong internship and job placement programs, particularly in tourism, healthcare, and technology.

Partnerships with local businesses, resorts, and hospitals, especially in Hilton Head and Savannah.

The Hospitality Management program includes a living laboratory on Hilton Head Island, offering real-world experience in a global tourism hub.

### 4. Military-Friendly & Veteran Support

Recognized as a military-friendly university, serving active-duty military, veterans, and their families.

Close to Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort and Parris Island, providing specialized programs for military-affiliated students.

### 5. Cultural & Community Engagement

Deep ties to the Gullah Geechee culture, with programs focusing on the region's unique African American heritage.

Home to the Sea Islands Institute, which promotes research on coastal sustainability and history.

Active involvement in local arts, film festivals, and historical preservation projects.

### 6. Affordable & Accessible Education

Competitive tuition rates with in-state and regional tuition discount programs.

Various scholarships, including those for out-of-state students.

### 7. Student Life & Athletics

Over 30 student clubs and organizations in arts, leadership, and community service.

Sand Shark athletics compete in NAIA sports, including baseball, softball, golf, and soccer.

With its beautiful location, specialized programs, and strong community connections, USCB offers a unique college experience that blends education with real-world application.

## Special Invitation - Parris Island Recruit Graduation May 23

Our Rotary has been invited as guests of the Commanding General for the Morning Colors Ceremony (7:45 a.m.) and Recruit Graduation (9 a.m.) on Friday, May 23rd. Plan on arriving at the main gate by 7:15 a.m., park in the visitor parking adjacent to the all-weather ceremonial hall and a tram will be available to transport you to both events. In the event of inclement weather, Morning Colors will be cancelled and graduation will be moved from the outdoor parade deck to the all-weather indoor facility.

We must submit a list of attendees by May 16th. Please provide the following information and give to Jim Weiskopf.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License Number \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_