

THE BEAUFORT ROTARY CLUB

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**2024
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Need a Meeting Makeup?

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

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

All clubs meet at Sea Island Presbyterian Church



THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

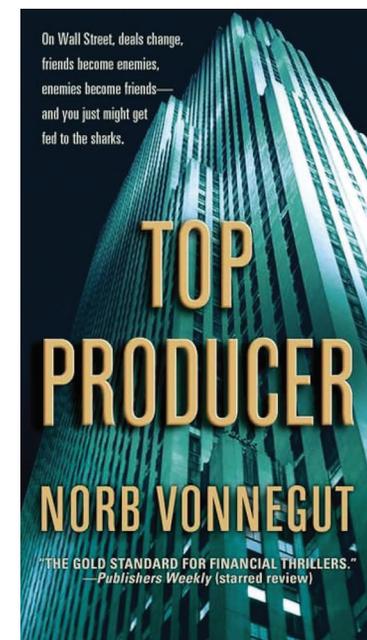
THE WHEEL

1/15/2025

Norb VONNEGUT *Blending Finance and Fiction*

NORB VONNEGUT, an acclaimed American author, is celebrated for his ability to weave his financial expertise into compelling thrillers. Born and raised in Rhode Island, Vonnegut carved a distinctive niche in the literary world with his sharp, engaging narratives that offer a rare glimpse into the high-stakes realm of wealth management.

Before embarking on his writing career, Vonnegut spent two decades as a wealth advisor on Wall Street. This experience provided him with an insider's perspective on the complexities of the financial industry, which he masterfully incorporates into his novels. His books are known for their authenticity, wit, and intricate plots that capture the tension and intrigue of financial power plays.



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ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUFORT

89 Years Strong – Chartered November 1934

Program Lineup Today

Norb Vonnegut, American author of Wall Street thrillers and a financial commentator on his blog entitled “Acrimoney”

Club Calendar

Jan. 17: Board Meeting, 8am at Blackstone’s Cafe; All welcome and counts as a makeup (arrive earlier if you plan to have breakfast)

Jan. 22: The 50th Anniversary of The Parris Island Museum: **Shellie West Hodges**, Executive Director Parris Island Heritage Foundation and Jackie Evans, Parris Island Museum Technician

Jan. 29: Speaker TBA

Our club has proudly provided grants to the following organizations during the 2024/2025 club year:

South Carolina Nurse Retention Initiative
Lowcountry Legal Volunteers
United Way of the Lowcountry
Early Grade Reading Program

Rotary Youth Exchange: One inbound and one outbound
Military Service Members of the Year Recognition 2024
Savannah Honor Flight

TODAY’S SUPER DOOR PRIZE \$440 42 CARDS REMAINING

Congratulations to door prize winner **Greg Dyson** for winning a prize donated by **Carter Swenson**.

DONORS FOR DOOR PRIZES

- Jan 15 – Jay Taylor
- Jan 22 – Clif Thomas
- Jan 29 – Roy Tripp
- Feb 5 – John Troutman

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

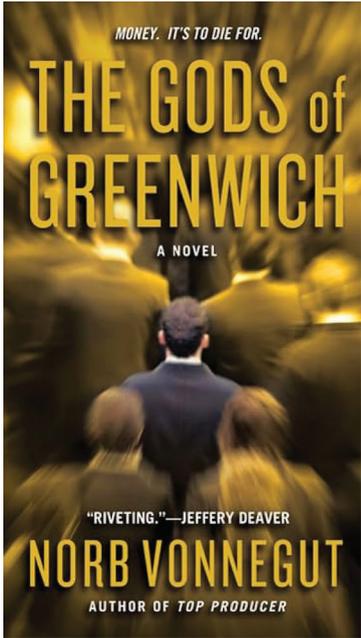
Because our club guarantees a specific number of meals for each meeting, we often have additional meals available to-go for \$5 each. Place your order with Robert Bussa, Ron Garrett or Jay Patel prior to the start of the meeting.

Vonnegut debuted as an author with *Top Producer* (2009), a fast-paced thriller that delves into the cutthroat world of investment banking. The book received critical acclaim for its clever storytelling and sharp insights into Wall Street culture. He followed this success with *The Gods of Greenwich* (2011) and *The Trust* (2012), each offering readers an exhilarating mix of mystery, betrayal, and high finance.

In addition to his novels, Vonnegut has contributed to various publications, blending humor and expertise in articles about personal finance and the darker side of the industry. His writing reflects a deep understanding of human nature, exposing the ethical dilemmas and moral complexities that often accompany immense wealth and ambition.

Despite sharing a surname with the legendary Kurt Vonnegut, Norb has carved out his own literary identity, earning praise for his ability to make complex financial concepts accessible and entertaining. His books appeal not only to thriller enthusiasts but also to readers intrigued by the intricate dance of money, power, and deception.

Today, Norb Vonnegut remains a prominent voice in the world of financial fiction, captivating audiences with stories that are as informative as they are gripping.



Celebrate a special anniversary or person in your life with a contribution to the Rotary Club of Beaufort Endowment Fund.

Annual earnings from contributions to our club’s endowment fund help to provide scholarships to area high school students, as well as financial support for select club initiatives. Please donate today!
Contact Greg Dyson — 843-524-3962 gdyson1947@gmail.com

MEMBER MILESTONES

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

- Greg Dyson, 01/16/91, 34 years
- David Youmans, 01/19/94, 31 years

MEMBERSHIP BIRTHDAYS

- Ken Singleton, 15 January
- Graham Holcombe, 19 January

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Swinton Anderson, 01/21, 13 years