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President's Message

We enjoyed a good meeting this Monday. Football reports were positive with wins by Carolina and Clemson. The real buzz was about the upcoming Wofford and Citadel game this Saturday. This year the match-up really means something in terms of ranking and post season play. Our speaker, Andy Thomas, furthered our current focus on politics and the 2004 elections. His message revolved around talk radio, the consolidation of radio station ownership and the loss of local programming, and he and his wife's plans to expand their show beyond its current South Carolina presence. Please invite guests to any meeting, but we would like a large turnout for Nov. 10th with the U.S. Senate hopeful Ms. Inez Tenenbaum as speaker and on Nov. 17th with Congressman Jim Clyburn as speaker.

Thanks to member Ann Wilson for presenting the club with a check representing the proceeds of the Farewell Farm Horse Trials. The club will proceed to disburse the \$30,000 to the charities benefited by this event. We will look to piggyback on the publicity from our November speakers in making these check presentations.



Membership Application Final Posting

Ben Simons lives in Swansea with his wife Tracy. He enjoys hunting, fishing and working on their 100 year old house. He is sponsored by Chris Weston and conducts Commercial/ Residential Sales with Bollin-Ligon Realtors. Address any comments to an officer or board member.

ship retention and recruitment. To that end, Dan began a sign-up list for two members per meeting to serve as Greeters. He also began contact sheets for the members to list prospective members that they would like invited to the membership dinner on Monday, January 27th. We will hear more from Dan over the next couple of months.

Some of us will meet on Saturday at the Fall Leadership Conference at the Sheraton on Bush River Road and we will all meet again at Seawell's on Monday, Nov 3rd.

Sergeant @ Arms Report

41 Members and 2 guests attended and the \$111 Rollover Again Pot was LOST again!~ By Joel Page

Speakers & Events

November

- 1 Fall District Leadership Conference
- 3 Deadline for Sponsorship Requests
- 10 Ms. Inez Tenenbaum State Superintendent of Education
- 17 Congressman Jim Clyburn

Sponsorship reminder: On November 17th, the Board will consider members' proposals for charitable gifts from our sponsorship funds. The request should be in writing submitted two weeks prior to the Board meeting to the Sponsorship Committee, chaired by Joe Hodson. Sponsorship requests will be considered again in February and in June.

Dan Felker, Vice President for membership is leading club initiatives on membership retention and recruitment.

Guests

Michael Mason and Eric Young --guests of Joe Azar

Tommy

Business Meeting

- **John Hedden** ~ gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.



- **Coaches Corner~**

Sterling Anderson Offense was good, defense was bad in win over Vandy. This week's opponent is Ole Miss. Eli Manning is the best quarterback in the Conference. Coach Anderson predicts a USC win in a low scoring game.



Neal Sutker CU Beat NC; played bad game but still won; team is getting better. Coach Sutker predicts a bowl appearance.

- **Football Parking Project:** John Alam reported that this raised \$120.00 this week. Thanks to all who worked.

- **District Leadership Conference** is this Saturday, November 1, 2003. Our club has eight members registered to attend.

- **Farewell Farms Project:** Anne Wilson presented a check to our club for \$30,000.00, allocated as follows:

\$12,000.00 SC Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy
 \$11,000.00 Nurturing center
 \$2,000.00 Children's Chance
 \$1500.00 National MS Society
 \$1500.00 Columbia Sertoma Sponsorship Account
 Anne gave special thanks to Mark Julian and Chris Weston

- **VP Dan Felker** addressed three matters:

1. All members need to sign up to be greeters. (two greeters every meeting)
2. All members need to update their roster Information
3. There will be a membership Dinner on 1/26/03. Each member needs to identify three prospects and turn the information in to Dan.



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Speaker:

Andy Thomas of America's Radio Show with Andy Thomas spoke about three areas of concern in the broadcasting business:

1. Lack of broadcasting responsibility to Uphold the Public's Interest
2. Lack of Local Radio. Many corporate owners own multiple radio stations.
3. Ivory Tower Syndrome. Many broadcast professionals have lost touch with their listeners.

Thanks to Joby for taking notes in ed.'s absence.

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