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President's Message



I enjoyed presiding at this week's meeting, as President Lewis was away at an important "business meeting." Find new donors and raise money from former donors during this last week of our Carolina Children's Home Campaign. The Home's residents certainly appreciate your efforts,

and we need to step up this week and collect a bunch. In addition, please volunteer a couple of hours this weekend or purchase a few meals at the annual barbeque sale, at Sam's Club on Forest Drive this Friday and Saturday. All proceeds will benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

From May through the end of August, the Club is available to participate in service projects and fundraisers. We are seeking opportunities of all kinds, large and small. If you have an idea, please share it with a member of the Board. Let's use the Club's talents and resources for worthy purposes this Summer.

The tragedy at Virginia Tech brought grief and sorrow to the entire nation. This incident once again illustrates that our lives follow no script and carry no guarantees. Pray thoughtfully for the victims and their families, enjoy your life, and help somebody everyday. Have a blessed week, and bring a guest to next Monday's meeting when President Lewis will preside.

"For of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these: 'It might have been!'"—John Greenleaf Whittier, 1854

Reggie

Sergeant @ Arms Report

Thirty Two members and five visitors attended. The \$31 Pot was **LOST!** by George Brunson.

Speakers & Events

April

20 & 21 **MS Barbecue @ Sam's Parking Lot**

23 **Hand Middle School Principal AND Board Meeting @ Bank of America Plaza, 15th floor**

May

3 ~ 6 **Regional Conference in North Charleston**

Carolina Children's Home Fundraiser

Week	Cards Worked	Raised
1	81	\$10,165
2	86	10,731
3	53	7,672
4	45	4,340
5	31	2,253
6	49	<u>5,675</u>
Chairman's response		2,825
Total	345 70%	\$43,661

Business Meeting

Reggie Belcher pulled his weight this past week by presiding over the meeting, extending the Invocation and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. It's Ok though, because he likes it and he's quite good at it.

Palmetto Place has been a safe haven for nearly 6,000 children for 30 years. Founded in April of 1977 by the Junior Woman's Club of Columbia, Palmetto Place will celebrate its 30th Anniversary with a gala, black-tie optional celebration to be held June 2, 2007 at Embassy Suites in Columbia. You can help by being a sponsor, purchasing an ad in the program, or buying tickets. Contact Marisa Merchant, Director, at 786-6819.

Atlantic Regional Conference, May 3-6 in North Charleston. Chris Weston is running for International Director. If you would like to be part of our strong contingent that will attend, let Todd know. In order to vote you must register at the convention before noon on Friday.

Awards:



Joby Castine ~ Sertoma Senator Award



Mark Julian ~ Sertoma Tribune Award

Barbecue for Multiple Sclerosis Research— April 20 & 21:

Please come by and work a couple-hour shift from 11am 'til 7pm, invite your friends to stop by, or even treat some friends to lunch Friday under the tent. The Masons barbecue delicious chicken and pork, the Optimist Club provides the equipment, and they need us for some labor.

A complementary dinner will be served Thursday afternoon for people with MS.



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Moira Gettens

Guest of Chris Burnette

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Guest of Tom Ellis

Walter Curry

Application Pending

Please make sure your
quests sign-in at
the Sergeant's
desk.



Membership Application
Walter B. Curry, Jr.
Final Posting

Walter B. Curry, Jr. is a businessman with Freedom Insurance Services and enjoys hunting, golf, fishing, tennis, bowling, reading and writing. Walter is sponsored by Joseph Azar. Address comments or questions to an officer or board member.

Membership Application
Hal Haynes
Final Posting

Address comments or questions to an officer or board member. Hal is sponsored by Todd Lewis.