



# EXCHANGE

EXCHANGE CLUB OF KIAWAH-SEABROOK, SC

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## **Member Meeting 11/1/2023 @Seabrook Island Club GRANT NIGHT**

Ray Hoover-President, called the meeting to order at 6:26PM and opened with prayer.

Chris Stephenson honored South Carolina fallen hero Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. See Bio attached.

Before dinner, Ray Hoover welcomed special guests Jim & Melissa Bannister were welcomed. They are former residents of Seabrook and former members of this Exchange Club. And he announced that there are 41 separate grants totaling \$165,000 being presented this evening. Dinner was served.

At 8:03PM Ray recognized and thanked Bill Nelson for the planning, logistics, documentation and audio/video that goes into preparing for an evening such as this.

He asked that phones be silenced until we adjourn and proceeded with the awards ceremony.

**THERE ARE NO REGULAR MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING, PLEASE SEE ADDENDUMS**

### **Next Meeting:**

11/15/23 @Seabrook Island Club

Speaker to be Katie Hinson-MUSC Health Healing Dept

### **Addendums:**

Attendance for members and for guests

Fallen Hero

Pictures of award recipients

**Minutes submitted by Lisa McDonald, Club Secretary**

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE**

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Attended?	Member	Attended?	Guests
Yes	Victor Augusta	Yes	Carol Augusta
Yes	Todd Anderson	Yes	Amy Anderson
Yes	Alan Armstrong		
Yes	Bill Bane		
Yes	Phyllis Barber		
Yes	Tom Berghausen		
Yes	Dave Berry		
Yes	Wayne Billian		
Yes	Rich Boss		
Yes	Kevin Boyle		
Yes	Ed Brett		
Yes	Cathy Cleary		
Yes	Wes Cleary		
Yes	David Cruse	Yes	Lynn Cruse
Yes	Art Dougherty		
Yes	Bob Driscoll		
No Show	Jim Dwyer		
Yes	Bruce Edwards	Yes	June Edwards
Yes	Frank Farfone		
Yes	Joe Foti		
Yes	Derek Fyfe	Yes	Inger Fyfe
Yes	Dennis Giannos		
No Show	Bob Glenn		
Yes	Bill Good		
Yes	Richard Gwyn		
Yes	Stephen Haines	Yes	Leslie Haines
Yes	Edward Hescamp		
Yes	Christopher Hix	No Show	Kevin Riley
Yes	Ray Hoover	Yes	Lucy Hoover
Yes	Bill Huff		
No Show	Ken Kavanaugh		
Yes	Tom Kroll		
Yes	Ed Leary		
Yes	Bob Leggett		
Yes	Bruce Ludwin		
Yes	Stan MacDonald		
Yes	Alan Madison		
No Show	Tony Mazzola		
Yes	Lisa McDonald		
Yes	Rick McDonald		
Yes	Joy Millar		

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE CONT'D**

Attended?	Member	Attended?	Guests
Yes	Michael Morris	Yes	Jane Morris
Yes	Bill Nelson	Yes Yes	Jim Bannister Marlisa Bannister
No Show	Sally Smith Nicoli		
Yes	Steve Penkhus		
Yes	Thad Peterson		
Yes	Joel Pondelik		
Yes	Robert Quagliato		
Yes	Sam Reed		
Yes	John Reock		
Yes	Ed Rigrup		
Yes	Shirley Salvo	Yes	Peter Rupert
Yes	Nancy Schibler		
Yes	Bob Schick	Yes	Shelly Schick
Yes	Charlie Septer		
Yes	Roy Sessions		
Yes	Walter Sewell	Yes	Karen Sewell
Yes	John Smock	Yes	Sheila Smock
Yes	Roger Steel		
Yes	Chris Stephenson		
Yes	Marj Stephenson	Yes Yes	John <u>Patneau</u> Jane <u>Patneau</u>
Yes	Chris Strobel		
No Show	Joe Thompson	No Show	Kristin Thompson
Yes	Dick Trent	No Show	Sue Trent
Yes	Stan Ullner		
Yes	Tom Webster	Yes	Debbie Banecker
Yes	Jack Wilson		
No Show	Kevin Winter		
Yes	David Woodman	Yes	Kim Woodman
Yes	Chuck Zellerbach		

**Total Reservations**

70 Members - 7 No Shows  
 22 Guests - 3 No Shows  
 92 Total - 10 Total No Shows

82 Net

## GRANT RECIPIENT ATTENDANCE

Natalie Lankes and John Rhodes were there and represented only Habitat for Humanity.

Jennifer Richard, with HALOS was there but arrived late due to traffic.

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#	Attended?	Attendee	\$s	Organization
1.	Yes	Barry Baucom		Blessing Basket
2.	Yes	Louise Baucom		Blessing Basket
3.	No Show	Erin Bianco		Mt Zion Elementary School
4.	Yes	Josh Bloodworth		Bridges of Hope (and AMOR)
5.	No Show	V. Deloris Bonneau		Emergency Food Ptry, Heb Zion Pres
6.	Yes	Rev. Doris Bright		Camp Hi Hopes
7.	No Show	Tiffany Brush		CHS Area Sr Cit (Meals on Wheels)
8.	No Show	Donna Cook		CHS Area Sr Cit (Meals on Wheels)
9.	Yes	Lori Christensen		Friends of Fisher House
10.	Yes	Melissa Frank		Barrier Island Free Medical Clinic
11.	No Show	Rev Sidney Frazier		Sea Island Cares
12.	No Show	Rene Garrett		Emergency Food Ptry, Heb Zion Pres
13.	No Show	Rev Pattie Gordon		BOOT Camp
14.	Yes	Carline Smith Goss		Food Pantry St. James Bethel AME
15.	No Show	Monique Green		Florence Crittenton
16.	No Show	Kathleen Green		Emerg Food Ptry, Heb Zion Pres
17.	Yes	Katherine Hardwick		Fields to Families
18.	No Show	Peggy Hartel		Mt Zion Elementary School
19.	Yes	Cindy Hay-Johnson		Camp Happy Days
20.	Yes	Marquita High		Sr Cit Prog, Heb Zion Pres Church
21.	Yes	Mary Hill		Camp Hi Hopes
22.	Yes	Bonnie Hinson -Late Add	\$40	
23.	Yes	Joanna Horres		Fields to Families
24.	Yes	Randall Horres		Fields to Families
25.	Yes	Jermaine Husser		Our Lady of Mercy
26.	Yes	Beverly Hutchinson		Dee Norton
27.	Yes	Dr Paul Jackues		Veterans on Deck
28.	Late Canc	Monica Jacques		Veterans on Deck
29.	Yes	Deborah Jenkins		Sr Cit Prog, Heb Zion Pres Church
30.	Yes	Neil Killory		Begin With Books
31.	Yes	Tory Kindley		Backpack Buddies: Sbk Island
32.	Yes	Barbara Kingsbury		Low Country Orphan Relief
33.	Yes	Danielle Kockler		Camp Happy Days
34.	Yes	Evonne LeGari		Camp Hi Hopes
35.	No Show	Natalie Lankes		Habitat for Humanity
		Natalie Lankes		Bridges of Hope
36.	No Show	Ali Lathan		Camp Happy Days
37.	Yes	Stephen Mantie		Stuff a Truck, St Johns Fire Dept
38.	Yes	Sandra Middleton		Food Pantry St. James Bethel AME

**GRANT RECIPIENT ATTENDANCE, CONT'D**

#	Attended?	Attendee	\$s	Organization
39.	Yes	Priscilla Quirk		Begin With Books
40.	No Show	John Rhoden		Habitat for Humanity
		John Rhoden		Bridges of Hope
41.	No Show	Jennifer Richard		Halos
42.	Yes	Katie Rush		Community and Schools
43.	Yes	Justin Rush		Community and Schools
44.	Yes	Grace Ryan		Chs Area Ther Riding Academy
45.	Yes	Mary Agnes Seabrook		Meals on Mondays Rockville Pres
46.	Yes	Paul Singleton		Food Pantry St. James Bethel AME
47.	Yes	Dale Snyder		Sweetgrass Gardens
48.	No Show	Loretta Stanley		Food Pantry, New Webster JIP
49.	Yes	Colleen Trepen		Chs Area Ther Riding Academy
50.	Yes	Hannah Wallace		Our Lady of Mercy
51.	No Show	Christina Williams		Camp Hi Hopes

**Summery**

54 Originally Signed Up

49 By Game Night

1 Late Cancelation

1 Late Add

16 No Show Shows

35 In Attendance

? Is the Check-in Complete?

Committee hairmen may have better view?

## TRIBUTE TO SC FALLEN HERO

Good evening fellow club members and guests.

Tonight, we're paying tribute to Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden.

Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden was born September 24, 1985 in Stuttgart, Germany to military parents Cathy Garner and James Alden. He was a graduate of Palmetto High School in Williamston, SC. As friends and family recall, there were two things Nick Alden loved: his family and serving others.

Senior Airman Alden joined the United State Air Force after High School. He was assigned to the 48th Security Forces Squadron, based at RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom. He had already served one tour of duty in Iraq and was now headed to Ramstein Air Base, where his squadron was preparing for an upcoming deployment to Kandahar, Afghanistan, a critical battlefield in the war on terror during Operation Enduring Freedom.

Prior to his departure, Alden wrote this in a letter to his wife, "Trish, I love you more than words can express. I want to spend forever and eternity with you and the children and the rest of my family." Senior Airman Alden met his wife while working at a Walmart store in their hometown. The couple had two children, 3-year-old Lilly and 1-year-old William.

Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden never made it to Afghanistan. The events that took place during the airmen's departure are tragic. Arid Uka a Kosovo Albanian and radical Muslim living in Germany had been watching jihadist propaganda which included a video on YouTube of a Muslim woman being raped by American soldiers. Because of that video, he made the decision to do anything possible to prevent more American soldiers from going to Afghanistan.

On March 2nd, 2011 Arid Uka sought out American soldiers at the Frankfurt International Airport. When he saw the American military bus he reportedly walked up to Senior Airman Alden, asked him for a cigarette, and wanted to know whether the airmen were bound for Afghanistan. Senior Airman Alden said yes. Uka waited for Alden to turn away and then shot him in the back of the head, killing him instantly. Shouting "Allahu Akbar!" Arid Uka then entered the bus, shooting and killing the driver. He continued firing shots, wounding two other airmen before his gun jammed and he was disarmed and captured.

The video posted on YouTube was not real. It was a scene from the 2007 Brian De Palma film 'Redacted'.

On March 11, 2011, more than 500 Airmen and family members, including Trish, Lilly and William, gathered in Hangar 7 at RAF Lakenheath to honor the memory of Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden. Col. Cassie Barlow, the 48th Mission Support Group commander, spoke, saying to Lilly and Will, "I'm going to tell you about your awesome dad. Airman Alden was a stellar security forces Airman, both at his previous assignment at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, and RAF Lakenheath. After he mastered his specialties, he helped other Airmen learn theirs. (Airman Alden) was a professional who knew his job inside and out. He was always looking for a problem to solve and making our Air Force a better place."

After the eulogies, Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden was posthumously awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal, which was presented to Trish, Lilly and William as a 21-gun rifle volley sounded, and a "missing man" formation of F-15 Eagles roared overhead.

As a testament to the far-reaching effects of Airman Alden's death, Louis Susman, who was at that time, the U.S. Ambassador to Britain, brought with him this message from former President Barack Obama: "His death stands as a stark reminder of the extraordinary sacrifices all of our men and women in uniform are making all around the world."

As an indication of our respect for Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden and others who gave their lives for our country, the club places US flags around our community several times a year. Each flag has a yellow ribbon attached with the name of a fallen hero.

Air Force Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden, we salute you and your sacrifice on our behalf.

Please stand and join me in reciting the pledge of allegiance.



**Air Force Senior Airman  
Nicholas J. Alden**

## IMAGES OF GRANT NIGHT RECIPIENTS

1. Waterproofing Inc with Ray, Derek and Inger Fyfe



2. Backpack Buddies: Seabrook Island with Ray and Tori Kindley



3. Meals on Mondays Rockville Pres with Ray and Mary Agnes Seabrook



4. Food Pantry St. James Bethel AME with Ray, Carline Smith Goss, Paul Singleton, and Sandra Middleton



5. Dee Norton with Ray and Beverly Hutchinson



6. Friends of Fisher House with Ray and Lori Christensen



7. Sr Cit Prog, Heb Zion Pres Church with Marquita High, Ray and Deborah Jenqins

