



# EXCHANGE

EXCHANGE CLUB OF KIAWAH-SEABROOK, SC

Box PMB-J 130 Gardener's Circle Johns Island, SC 29455

## Member Meeting 09/17/25 @Seabrook Island Club

### 6:30 Ring Bell

Chris Stephenson called the meeting to order and introduced the guests

### Invocation, Fallen Hero & Pledge

- Jim Bannister
  - Fallen Hero bio attached

### Announcements

- Membership concerns include finding members in new communities
  - Ed Leary suggested everyone invite one guest from neighborhood or friend group
  - Revenue is down from \$150k to \$100k. See Chris to share ideas.
  - Looking for ideas for spring fundraisers. Let Chris know of any ideas to help in goal of increasing revenue.
  - Dues will have to increase as we are not covering our costs.
  - Any article content for Seabrooker or Island Connection please send to Thad to promote Exchange Club
  - Opportunity for volunteers to help with flags for Veterans Day. Put up November 6<sup>th</sup> and take down November 13<sup>th</sup>. Let Bob Leggett know if you can help.
  - Annual Exchange Club Golf Tournament October 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Alan Armstrong Veterans Golf Event November 10<sup>th</sup> for Fisher House and VA House
- \$100 Member
- \$200 non-member
- Chris let everyone know grant money was down \$50k so please consider making a donation to the foundation to increase what is given.
  - Kevin Boyle CSO outing January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Bus is not filled so please sign up so it won't be canceled.

-There will be no meeting October 1<sup>st</sup> and November 5<sup>th</sup> is Grant dinner night.

## Dinner

### 7:25 Speaker introduction

John Reock introduced the speaker Jonathan Wright from Bridges of Hope

Meeting adjourned 8:00pm

#### Addendums:

Attendance

Fallen Hero

Speaker Bio

Minutes submitted 09/19/25 by Phyllis Barber

Attended?	Member	Attended?	Guests	Status	\$s	Paid?
Yes	Victor Augusta	Yes	Carol Augusta	Spouse	\$45	invoice
Yes	Alan Armstrong			6 mo		
Yes	Bill Bane					
Yes	James Bannister					
Yes	Marlisa Bannister					
Yes	Phyllis Barber					
No	Joe Bauer					
Yes	Wayne Billian					
No	Renee Black					
Yes	Bryan Bolling					
Yes	Rich Boss			At large	\$45	invoice
Yes	Kevin Boyle					
Yes	Fred Demler					
Yes	Bruce Edwards					
No	Frank Farfone					
Yes	Dick Fleming					
Yes	Bree Florees					
Yes	Joe Foti					
Yes	Bill Good					
Yes	Richard Gwyn					
Yes	Ray Hoover					
Yes	Phyllis Kaupp-Seas			At Large	\$45	Cash
Yes	Julie Lanzone					
Yes	Ed Leary					
Yes	Bob Leggett					
Yes	Bruce Ludwin					
Yes	Lars Lueders					
Yes	Alan Madison					
Yes	Lisa McDonald	Yes Yes	Elaine Reed Gary Reed		\$90	Cash
Yes	Rick McDonald					
Yes	Jay Miller					

Attended?	Member	Attended?	Guests	Status	\$s	Paid?
No	Michael Morris	No	Jane Morris			
Yes	Bill Nelson					
Yes	Marty Penkhus					
Yes	Steve Penkhus					
Yes	Thad Peterson					
Yes	Joel Pondelik					
Yes	Russ Preston					
Yes	Robert Quagliato					
Yes	George Reinhart			At Large	\$45	
Yes	John Reock	Yes	Jonathan Wright	Speaker	\$0	
Yes	Ed Rigtrup					
Yes	Shirley Salvo					
Yes	Ron Schildge					
Yes	Charlie Septer					
No	Bob Simpson					
Yes	Roger Steel					
Yes	Chris Stephenson					
Yes	Marj Stephenson					
No	Joe Thompson					
Yes	Dick Trent					
Yes	Stan Ullner					
Yes	Bruce Van Voorhis					
Yes	Tom Webster					
Yes	Pat Welch					
Yes	Jack Wilson					
Yes	John Woychick					

## Registrations

62 total

57 members and 5 guests

Count to Seabrook Club 51-56

## Attendance

55 Total

51 members and 4 guests

<https://ecks.memberclicks.net/program-critique-survey-for-september-17th-2025>

## **Exchange Club Fallen Hero Tribute – September 17, 2025**

**Good evening fellow Exchange Club members, invited guests, and Guest Speaker.**

**It is both my honor and privilege to present our Fallen Hero Tribute honoring United States Army Sgt. Maj. Michael B. Stack, age 48, of Lake City, SC, who was killed on April 4, 2004, by hostile enemy gunfire. Our hero was manning a machine gun on a Humvee when his 12-man Special Forces team was ambushed while on patrol in Anbar province, Iraq.**

**It was Easter Sunday.**

**His action that day helped other members of the team survive, and he was posthumously awarded the Silver Star, the military's third highest honor for heroism in combat. He was buried with full military honors in Arlington National Cemetery.**

**Sgt. Maj. Stack was a father of six and grandfather of three, a career soldier who was only two years from retirement. He is remembered by his friends and family as a deeply religious man and “soldier's soldier” with a deep sense of duty.**

**We salute you and thank you, Sgt. Major Stack. May you rest in Heavenly peace.**

**Ladies and gentlemen, it is Fallen Heroes like Sgt. Major Stack who inspire this Club's Americanism Committee and many Club member volunteers to continue the proud tradition of placing American flags with yellow ribbons throughout our local communities on many Federal holidays. One of those flags honors my own grandson.**

**Please stand and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.**