

# Welcome To Rotary

**Tuesday  
April 7, 2015**

## **Today's Program**

**Today's Song:** America the Beautiful - Bob Tillotson

**Today's Invocation:** Frank Lee

**Health & Happiness:** Jay Reagan

**Today's Program:** New Member Talks  
Josh Summers, Quincy Halliday, Kyle Clelland

## **Last Week's Program**

Allen Smith gave us an overview of the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce, including the Economic Futures Group and the Convention and Visitors Bureau. He told us this is a pivotal time for Spartanburg, a "Golden Opportunity" to enhance the economic vitality and lifestyle environment of the County. We are fortunate to have Allen lead us with his energy and drive!!!

## **Upcoming Programs**

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| April 14 | Lima One Capital - Putting American Vets to Work<br>- John Warren |
| April 21 | Duke Energy Update<br>- Clark Gillespie                           |
| April 28 | TBA   |

## **FUN FACTS**

Allen Smith

Graduated from East Carolina University with a B.S. in Political Science. Appointed Town Clerk by Bethel, NC Mayor and Town Commissioners at age 23. Served Vice President, Operations and eventually Senior Vice President of the Greenville-Pitt County Chamber. Named CEO of the Greater Greer Chamber in 2010. Greater Greer Chamber named "2012 Carolinas Chamber of the Year" by the Carolinas Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives. Honored to be named Spartanburg Area Chamber President/CEO in June of 2014. Born and raised in Greenville, NC. Met wife (Jenni) through a mutual friend at Meredith College in Raleigh. Next year, we will celebrate our 10 year anniversary. Wife's family owned a Dairy Queen in Greensboro. My middle brother is on Death Row in Raleigh, NC ....as a Corrections Officer. Been a Rotarian for 10 years. Hobbies include: I love my work and where I get to do it. exercise, traveling, East Carolina athletics, food.

### **Great Kids Deserve Great Books**

You can help by donating new or gently used children's books appropriate for ages 0-10 (board books, picture books, early reader books, and easy chapter books). Or you can make a small donation of \$10-\$50 to purchase books for this project. We are collecting books and donations at Rotary meetings through April 21st.

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