



# Governor's Message— Doug McKenzie

On March 17, 1917 the Birmingham Civitan Club was born. This year we have celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that event. Civitan has grown to almost 48 countries plus the United States. It is truly an international organization. The ideals that were established by those men are still being practiced today.

As we entered this 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration, Past Gov. Bill Tollison led the way with 3 new clubs. Your board of directors wanted to continue that example with a goal of five new clubs. Today we have chartered 2 new clubs. The year is not over. This district can achieve that goal. We need to give the incoming governor Belita Broadus the gift of a new club. We were once a district of about 43 clubs but today we have only 18.

At the international convention this year South Carolina shined again. Hilton Head was awarded the new club of the year. Also the district was

**South Carolina District Mission Statement:**  
**Equip, Support, Build, Inspire Civitans in South Carolina**

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as having the number one web site for international! It is these little but important things that have kept South Carolina a great district. Also the Junior Civitans have shown us how great they are in promoting the ideals of Civitan. They had two of their people as international officers. Also they took home some of the international awards. It is this determination and drive that we as senior Civitans can learn from.

I would hope that each club president and member will look around and see how to improve their club. The first job is to look at the 3 P's: People, Purpose and Planning. You must have the right people in place to do the job for the club. Without these folks directing the club you will not move forward. You might want to look at who is doing the job now and help them to succeed. Planning is a must without that your club will not move forward. Each president needs to look at his or her plan and make sure it is going in the right direction. You need to use your board as a means to keep that plan in place or adjust as necessary. The purpose is spelled out in our creed. Also some of the clubs have their own purpose which is good. We need to get people involved in some way. Not everyone will want to come to meetings but are willing to

help in other ways. The other important item is to ask folks to join.

As we close this year I hope to see each club grow in strength, purpose and expand its outreach. I also hope that we will see many of you at the district convention in Hilton Head, September 8-10. All the information can be found on our web site. & pages 4-5. The international President Dewayne Capps will be with us for the weekend. Let's show him how great South Carolina is!

# Chaplain's Corner From Jim Seeley

## LIVING THE CIVITAN CREED

One of the greatest things about Civitan is our creed. Creed is defined as a system or codification of belief or of opinion. You all have heard of the Apostles Creed. You also know the Civitan Creed. Reciting the Civitan Creed reminds us of who we are and what we stand for. We believe what it says. We strive as an organization to do what it says we do. That means we must strive to do those things as individuals in every aspect of our lives. We live the creed.

As human beings we live in relationships with one another. Some relationships are close and some are not so close. We are called upon to be in community with one another in various and sundry ways. The Christian faith holds God is love and that we are to love one another. In Civitan we have the perfect opportunity obey the command to love one another. "My hands do the work of the world" encourages us to be a positive active force in our communities and to even partake in global missions. We are to "reach out in service to others." What better way to express our love for others than to engage in serving them? Also, what better way to honor our Maker and to live in obedience to Him than to serve our fellow man and our communities near and far? We are called to give guidance and promote progress and peace.

So what happens when you actively live our Civitan Creed? God blesses you with happiness and satisfaction with life. If you have been missing your positive emotions recently, make a strong effort to go out and live our creed. You will be richly rewarded.



## CI 100th Anniversary Coin

If you missed your chance at the **Centennial Celebration** to purchase your **100th Anniversary Commemorative Coin**, you still have an opportunity to collect this *rare and limited edition memento*. Each coin is custom minted with the Civitan logo and motto, "**Builders of Good Citizenship**," and weighs 1 troy ounce of .999 silver. For \$50 (includes S&H), you will receive this unique piece of history and its numbered certificate of authenticity. Collect for yourself and give them as a gift to family, friends, and fellow Civitans. Decorate your club's display shelf and recognize your club and district officers for their service. These keepsakes also make great gifts for special guest speakers who visit your club during our 100th year of service. Fifteen dollars (\$15) of each **Centennial Coin** sold supports the **Restoration Fund** to restore **Civitan World Headquarters**.

**Phone** Call Bobby Farley at 800-CIVITAN (800-248-4826) extension 103 and order your Centennial Coins **today**.

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# Gov. Elect: Belita Broadus



## **SOUTH CAROLINA PROUD**

The Centennial Civitan International Convention was an appropriate tribute to 100 years of service. The Workshops, Assemblies, and entertainment were all well planned and pertinent to the mission and principles of service, knowledge and fellowship. Needless to say the best part of the convention was the fellowship with Civitan friends.

### **THE PARTIAL SOUTH CAROLINA DELEGATION CIVITAN CENTENNIAL CONVENTION**

South Carolina clubs were recognized in several Competitive Award areas of all of which reflect favorably on the District. Past Governor Bill Tolleson received the **QUALITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**, Webmaster, Steve Doudoukjian was recognized for first place **OUTSTANDING DISTRICT WEBSITE**, The Charleston club received third place **OUTSTANDING AWARENESS PROJECT**, Hilton Head was awarded **OUTSTANDING NEW CLUB** and the Greenville club won Honorable Mention for **DR. COURTNEY W. SHROPSHIRE OUTSTANDING CIVITAN CLUB**. Other areas of performance recognized during the convention were: Outstanding service to People with Disabilities, Outstanding Community Service Project, Outstanding Youth Project, Outstanding Social Media Campaign, Outstanding Club Website, Outstanding District Newsletter. **HONOR CLUB** Status was awarded to Chester, Sunrise, Hilton Head, Columbia, and Dutch Fork, **HONOR CLUB OF EXCELLENCE** was claimed by Walterboro and Greenville and Myrtle Beach won **HONOR CLUB OF DISTINCTION**. Junior Civitan Cody Catoe was a recipient of the **SHROPSHIRE SCHOLARSHIP**.

The South Carolina Civitan District and all South Carolina are better because of the diligence, dedication, and commitment of Civitan Volunteers. I am Civitan Proud.

This is the first time the Juniors were included as part of the National Convention. They represented us well and showed us hope for the future. They held meetings, performed on stage and



**Row 1-Ann Lavelly, Janet Lyons, Ken Norton. Nancy Ball, Lura Boggs, Kathy McKenzie, Doug McKenzie, Belita Broadus, Bill Tolleson, Anna Smith, Patsy Finley, Gary Finley, Ruth Richburg, LaBarbara Sampson**  
**Row 2- Nina Tolleson, Wanda Flathers, Sharon Thomas, Bryan Bobo, Steve Doudoukjian, Beth Doudoukjian, Mike Taylor, Peg Taylor, Misty Konow, Jude Konow, Frank Konow, Jimmy Durante**

showed us how to relax with an afternoon in the park featuring games, and food trucks. We can be proud of our Juniors, South Carolina was well represented, I apologize for not having a picture of the South Carolina Junior Delegation to publish. A special thanks to Richard Gay and Betsy Nunnery for caring for our youth. A special Congratulations to the club builders and members of the newly chartered, Palmetto Civitan Club. They held an impressive Charter ceremony featuring our new International Executive Vice President Scarlet Thompson as speaker, she also inducted the club officers. Lura Boggs, Past Region Director, installed the new members. Belita Broadus Governor-Elect presented the charter. The Club's President Emily Wright eloquently outlined the club's ambitious strategic plan of action for the first year. I am expecting great life changing results from this club. Our new International theme for 2017-2018 will be unveiled at the District Convention, I am looking forward to seeing everyone there.



# SC District Convention Registration



**SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT CONVENTION  
SEPTEMBER 8 – 10, 2017  
BEACH HOUSE, HILTON HEAD ISLAND**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CIVITAN CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$75.00**

MAIL WITH CHECK TO:     SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT CIVITAN  
   P. O. BOX 27319  
   GREENVILLE, SC 29616

\_\_\_\_\_ ENCLOSED IS MY PERSONAL CHECK

\_\_\_\_\_ MY CLUB WILL PAY MY REGISTRATION FEE

For room reservations at Beach House (Holiday Inn) call  
855-433-0341 and use code **SCD** to receive the \$159 rate.

**The cutoff date for this rate is August 8, 2017.**

# SC District Convention

## Agenda



**SEPTEMBER 8 – 10, 2017**  
**BEACH HOUSE**  
**HILTON HEAD ISLAND**  
**South Carolina**

### **Friday, September 8, 2017**

1:00 pm	2016-2017 Board Meeting
3:30 pm	First General Session

### **Saturday, September 9, 2017**

8:00 am	Breakfast Buffet
9:00am - 1:00 pm	Second General Session

### **Free Afternoon**

6:00 pm	Governor's Reception
7:00 pm	Installation Banquet

### **Sunday, September 10, 2017**

8:30 am	PIG's Breakfast
9:30 am	Devotion Time
10:00 am	2017 – 2018 Board Meeting

# SC District Meeting on 5/13



Jim Seeley leads the meeting in an opening prayer

The SC District meeting was held on May 13 and was a great chance to meet, greet, & share some good stories! The meeting was opened by Gov. Doug McKenzie and invocation by Jim Seeley, chaplain. Richard Gay and the Jr. Civitan District officers were on hand to provide some news on their progress and to set the stage for their convention in Bir-

mingham [along with the Civitan International Con-

The meeting was high-club building. The Civitan year to match the 100th anni-CI is well on its way to suc-world to spread the communi-and the true meaning of citi-of cultures.

As for us here in SC, received by SC District clubs vention!



Above Gov. Doug McKenzie [L] distributes Presidents' Council pins to SC District recipients

vention].

lighted by workshops on membership and International goal is 100 new clubs this versary of Civitan. From what we can tell, ceeding in opening new clubs around the ty service spirit and dedication of Civitan zenship in many languages and a myriad

Gov. McKenzie brought out the awards and reminded all to get to the District con-



At left Lana Suggs [Region 2 Director] led the group in some team building activities and presented club building jackets. Above Nancy Ball was one of the many to pose with an "I am Civitan" sign to remind all of us that each and every Civitan member adds to the totality of the organization and plays a central role in our successes!

Below Richard, Cody, & Amy [L to R] getting all up to speed on SC District Jr Civitan achievements





# CI Convention: 100th Anniversary



**Misty & Frank brought their own Munchkin to the Wizard of Oz theme welcome party!**

Hi Fellow Civitans! The Civitan International convention in Birmingham, AL was wonderful! As fitting the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Civitan in the city of its birth, it was the largest attended convention that we've had in years!!! The Civitans Rock the Party was quite the hit. It was set up carnival style with food trucks set up as well. The "seniors", juniors, and kids were all interact-



**Past Gov. Bill [r] accepts award from Debbie Juhlke, Past CI Pres.**

ing together and playing games. The games were all free and so were the prizes you could win:) It was set up one block from the hotel in a park.

The Welcome Party was wonderful as well. Many people dressed up for the event and they had a photo booth set up that was free as well...they would immediately print the pictures for you:)

It took four hours before our room was ready so we missed the opening ceremonies:(



**Belita, Doug, Bill, & Misty [L to R] form SC Leadership bundle!**

The President's Social was held at Old Car Heaven, it was well attended and the venue was fantastic!

The tours of the research center and the neurology lab at Highlands Hospital were great! The new lab is phenomenal and of course we loved seeing the FMRI...you don't see one of those every day!!!

I truly believe that Kendyl Massey will be a good CI president. Her emphasis is going to be on spreading the word about Civitan...mainly through the use of social mediums....we just got back but can't wait for Reno next year!

- Misty



**Lura [Center] and her clan at the President's Social dinner!**





## *Chester Celebrates 60!*

The Chester Civitan Club celebrated a milestone on May 9th: a 60 Year Anniversary serving the community! At the Cyclone Restaurant, 29 members toasted the event with Past District Gov. Bill Tolleson, past CI Representative Lura Boggs, and Gov. Elect Belita Broadus. The Chester Club was chartered on September 17, 1957.

Lura [pictured at left] was the guest speaker and kept the audience's attention with a perspective of the historical role of Chester Civitan in the community and



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state. Bill [picture on right at right] presented a Club President Award to Chester President, Alex Houston [right, at left]. And of course there was a huge cake to help with the festivities and keep people smiling.



The SC District looks forward to seeing Chester celebrate its 100th anniversary as an active SC District Civitan

Club!

### WHAT IS CIVITAN?

Civitan is a worldwide, all volunteer service organization where men and women have an organized way of approaching local community problems through service and fund raising.

We emphasize serving people with developmental disabilities. Local clubs are supported by Civitan International, which was organized in 1917 and spans over 24 countries. The word CIVITAN is a coined word that comes from the Latin word "CIVITAS", which means **CITIZENSHIP**.

