

Member Meeting 09/04/24 @Seabrook Island Club

Thad Peterson, President, called the meeting to order at 6:25PM and opened with prayer.

Chris Stephenson honored South Carolina fallen hero Sergeant Edward Otis Philpot and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. See Bio attached

Thad recognized guests such as Jermaine Husser from Our Lady of Mercy, who was here with John Reock.

Roger Steele gave a reminder about the upcoming CSO dinner/ticket events Margjorie Stephenson announced the Golf Outing scheduled for 10/2/24. An email invitation with details including registration will be send out soon.

Thad made the following announcements:

- ECKS needs a volunteer Secretary to the Board and Chairperson of the Speakers Committee
- The club newsletter has been published in for July, August and September. If you are not receiving it via email, please update your address.

After dinner (7:30PM) John Reock introduced the evening's speaker, D.J. Hampton, CEO of Trident United Way. Mr. Hampton presented facts and figures about the socioeconomic status of the greater Charleston area and described how United Way is try to solve many issues children and families today.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:52PM

Next Meeting:

9/18/24 @Salty Dog Cafe Speaker: Gerry Gordon – autograph collection focusing on presidents

Addendums:

Attendance Fallen Hero Speaker Bio

Minutes submitted 9/16/24 by Lisa McDonald, Club Secretary

Attended?		Attended?	Guests
No	Michelle		
	Almeyda-Wiedemuth		
Yes	Bill Bane		
Yes	Phyllis Barber		
Yes	Tom Berghausen		
Yes	Wayne Billian		
Yes	Herb Boehm		
Yes	Rich Boss		
Yes	Lon Boughknight		
Yes	Kevin Boyle		
Yes	Ed Brett		
Yes	David Cruse		
Yes	Carmine Degenarro		
Yes	Fred Demler		
Yes	Bob Driscoll		
Yes	Bruce Edwards		
Yes	George Fink		
Yes	Joe Foti		
Yes	Derek Fyfe		
Yes	Dennis Giannos		
Yes	Bill Good		
No	Richard Gwyn		
Yes	Andy Hamilton		
Yes	Edward Heskamp		
Yes	Ray Hoover		
Yes	Bill Huff		
Yes	Maurice Isaac		
Yes	Tom Kroll		
Yes	Lars Lueders		
Yes	Bruce Ludwin		
Yes	Alan Madison		
Yes	Lisa McDonald		
Yes	Rick McDonald		
No	Michael Morris		
Yes	Bill Nelson		
No	Sally Nicoli		
Yes	Thad Peterson		
Yes	Dustin Plunkett	Yes (payment due)	Victoria Pullium
Yes	Joel Pondelik	, ,	
Yes	Russ Preston		
Yes	Robert Quagliato		
Yes	Sam Reed		
Yes	John Reock	Yes - No Charge Yes	Jermaine Husser DJ Hampton - Speaker
Yes	Charles Riehl		
No	Ed Rigtrup		
Yes	Shirley Salvo		

Attended?		Attended?	Guests
Yes	Bob Schick	Yes (Check)	Shelly Schick
Yes	John Sesody		
Yes	Walter Sewell	Yes (Check)	Karen Sewell
Yes	Roger Steel	Yes (Check)	Vivian Steel
Yes	Chris Stephenson		
Yes	Marj Stephenson		
Yes	Joe Thompson		
Yes	Dick Trent		
Yes	Stan Ullner		
Yes	Bruce Van Voorhis		
Yes	Tom Webster		
Yes	Pat Welch		
Yes	Bill Wick		
Yes	Jack Wilson		
Yes	Mela Wyeth		

Members - 61 Registered 5 No Shows = 56 Attending Guests. - 4 + 1 Speaker = 5 Total Total Attendance - 61 That is significantly over the 46 total in August

TRIBUTE TO SC FALLEN HERO

Good evening fellow Exchange Club members and guests.

Tonight, we're paying tribute to *Sergeant Edward Otis Philpot.

Born on May 16, 1969, in Detroit, Michigan, Sergeant Philpot later moved to Latta, South Carolina, and graduated from Coastal Carolina University, in Conway. He joined the South Carolina National Guard in 1996 where he served as a tank commander with the 1st Battalion, 263rd Armor Regiment in Mullins, South Carolina. He was responsible for the training and welfare of his crew, as well as the maintenance and operation of the tank in various environments.

His leadership was characterized by his dedication to his team and his ability to remain calm under pressure. Fellow soldiers and community members often spoke of his commitment to his crew's training and welfare, highlighting his ability to inspire and motivate those around him.

*In his personal life, Sergeant Philpot was married and had 3 children. He was known for his dedication to his family and friends. He was passionate about outdoor activities and enjoyed spending time in nature. Fishing and hunting were among his favorite pastimes. He also had a keen interest in sports and he often participated in local events and supported youth sports programs.

*Tragically, Sergeant Edward Otis Philpot passed away on October 23, 2007, in Kandahar, Afghanistan, due to a non-combat-related Humvee rollover accident while serving during Operation Enduring Freedom. He was 38 years old.

After his passing, the community came together to honor his memory and service in several heartfelt ways. His funeral was attended by many, including family, friends, fellow soldiers, and community members, reflecting the deep impact he had on those around him.

As an indication of our respect for Sergeant Edward Otis Philpot and others who gave their lives for our country, this Exchange 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.

Sergeant Edward Otis Philpot, we salute you and your sacrifice on our behalf. Please stand as you are able and join me in reciting the pledge of allegiance.



Army Sergeant Edward Otis Philpot







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David "D.J." Hampton II joined Trident United Way as president and chief executive officer in April 2023.

Hampton has held critical leadership roles at some of the largest nonprofits in the U.S., including over two decades within the United Way Network, having personally developed over \$50 Million in planned gifts, led teams supporting over \$1.2 Billion in annual individual giving and helped launch over \$1 Billion in initiative and endowment campaigns.

After United Way, Hampton led development for The ALS Association and worked to increase system-wide revenue 40% over three years following the Ice Bucket Challenge. He also served as the senior vice president of market leadership and chief development officer for March of Dimes where he drove transformation, grew \$130 million in annual revenue and led over 300 staff.

Most recently, Hampton founded and led ALoDay Consulting, where he advised and supported a variety of nonprofits globally.

Hampton earned a Master's in nonprofit management from Alfred University, a J.D. from the David A. Clarke School of Law and is a member of the D.C. Bar.

Hampton met his wife Allison while both were working at a United Way in Birmingham, Alabama. They share a passion for philanthropy and extensive United Way experience. In fact, they consider themselves a United Way family and often say that the United Way tagline, "LIVE UNITED", was the unofficial theme at their wedding, as their nuptials made the slogan a reality.

Hampton, his wife and their two daughters relocated to the Tri-County area from Virginia. Look for him around town riding his Vespa or hosting movie night with his kids.