

**TODAY WE WELCOME:**

Sherry Newman SRHS Care (manager of sleep services) she is so funny and will tell us all about the sleep disorders. We have a few members that might want to really pay attention to this program, right Leonard Still and Jim Smith?

**OUR GREETER TODAY: BILL FERGUSON**

**Congratulations on your special day!**



**ANNIVERSARYS  
THIS WEEK!**

Bill & Margaret Hunsucker,  
August 29

**NO  
BIRTHDAYS  
THIS WEEK!**



**GREETER FOR NEXT MEETING- John Few (September 1)**

**PROGRAM NOTES FROM - August 18**



Jim Burnett, Spartanburg Coroner, Jim talked about what a coroner's job involves on death cases. The coroner decides if the death was an accident, suicide or homicide and what degree of homicide. Jim showed a slide presentation from ground zero and in the investigation of a 747 jet that crashed. I'm glad that Jim did not show us all the gory sights he must have seen in his years as a coroner.

**WE WELCOMED THE FOLLOWING GUESTS FROM OUR LAST MEETING.**

Libby Knutson.....Daughter of Horace Arthur  
Dana Lanford.....Daughter of Vickie Robinson

*“The critic has to educate the public; the artist has to educate the critic.”  
-Oscar Wilde quotes*

**CIVITAN NEWS:**

**Dr. N. Shastry Akella Named Director of the Civitan Functional Neuroimaging Laboratory**



N. Shastry Akella, Ph.D., will be the director of the Civitan functional neuroimaging laboratory (CFNL), which will house the head-only Siemens 3T magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and spectroscopy scanner for advanced research in neurosciences. Dr. Akella received a Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) in 2005.

Dr. Akella specializes in MRI-based neuro-imaging, with emphasis on technique development and clinical applications for brain cancer assessment and therapy. His research interests include design of fast and efficient algorithms for MR-based neuro-imaging applications, imaging and spectroscopy of brain cancer, clinical trials and therapy assessment, glioma angiogenesis and invasion, evaluation of cognition, and medical image registration algorithms.

Dr. Akella will oversee the installation, ramp-up, and technical operations of the head-only 3T scanner, to be commissioned in early 2007. He also participates in various collaborative research projects on UAB campus and teaches undergraduate and graduate level courses in the Biomedical Engineering department. He joined the Civitan International Research Center on August 1st 2006.

*The Junior Civitan Committee will be providing the speakers for September!*

**IMPORTANT CIVITAN DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

**USHERING EVENTS**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

*August 25th - 27th* - The SC Civitan District Convention  
*September 28* - Annual Installation Banquet at the Piedmont Club (Suit and Tie, Gents)

**NEXT MEETING -**