

# Rotary Club of Durham

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The mission of Rotary International is to support its member clubs in fulfilling the Object of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration

#### THE 4-WAY TEST

Of The Things We Think, Say or Do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

#### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

03/16 CYNTHIA HILL

A CHEF'S LIFE: Cooking and Filming Introduction: President Vandana Dake

03/23 ABDULLAH T. ANTEPLI, CHIEF

REPRESENTATIVE OF MUSLIM AFFAIRS,

DUKE UNIVERSITY
"WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN

AMERICAN MUSLIM"

Introduction: President Vandana Dake

03/30 JAMES SILLS, PRESIDENT

M&F BANK: A HISTORY OF A

HISTORICAL BANK Introduction: Adrian Brown

04/06 NO MEETING! IN OBSERVANCE OF

THE EASTER HOLIDAY

### SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 16, 2015

<u>Music</u>

Pianist: SHARON LASSITER
Vocalist: MARK HIGGINS
"AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL"
Invocation & Rotary Minute
ERIK BENSON

**DRC Raffle: RI Foundation Programs** 

Contribution: \$1/Ticket; \$5/6 Tickets Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Winner Rotary International: \$61.00/Raffle Winner: \$60.00

Total: \$121.00

Raffle Winner: EMILEE-JEAN COLLINS

**CART Fund** (Coins For Alzheimer's Research Trust)

3/9 \$36.76

#### DR. IRA HEFLAND -- PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



A global physicians group working to build support for its campaign to eliminate nuclear weapons is turning to Rotary International to improve public awareness and seek grassroots help by speaking at clubs around the world.

Dr. Ira Hefland, Past-President of Physicians For Social Responsibility and current Co-President of the Group's global federation, spoke to our Club Monday as part of a broader Triangle-area speaking campaign last week.

The Physicians Group is engaging Rotary International as a prospective ally because of Rotary International's successful global mobilization of people and resources to help eradicate polio globally, an "extraordinary" accomplishment, he said.

The Durham Rotary Club is one of several clubs and other Triangle-area organizations where the physicians group is sharing studies and scientific modeling that illustrate dire global consequences should even a limited nuclear exchange occur in a regional conflict.

In a local zone, minute-by-minute threats include catastrophic loss of human life, as well as destruction of homes, buildings, and local food supply within dozens of miles of a blast, Hefland said. An exchange between India and Pakistan using less than one (1%) per cent of the world's arsenal would kill an estimated 1.2 million people, he said.

But nuclear famine caused by radical change in temperatures caused by clouds of soot would pose even more severe human damage. Rice production would decline sharply in China. Fruit production could be destroyed for years.

"... the ensuing climate disruption and disruption of food production would lead to global famine that could kill up to 2 billion people over 10 years," Hefland said. "I would argue that it would be the end of human civilization as we know it."

Hefland said the greatest threats still reside in the size and presence of large post-Cold War nuclear arsenals in Russian and the United States. He noted five (5) historically documented examples of near-accidental use between Russia and the United States that have been recorded since the end of the Cold War. Of 15,000 warheads in custody of the two powers, 2,000 remain on what Hefland described as "hair-trigger" alert. "The situation has not changed since the Cold War," he said. "It is one that is profoundly dangerous and one that we ignore at our great peril."

In a larger exchange between the United States and Russia involving major cities, even accidental, Hefland described studies that model the instant creation of gigantic fireballs that would vaporize people, cities, underground shelters, even oxygen.

Club Members: 235; Active: 202 Active-LOA: 4; Honorary: 28 Staff Positions: 1



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OUR MARCH 2015 BIRTHDAYS	
Member	Birthday
KEN LUNDSTROM	MARCH 01
KAY GRESHAM	MARCH 02
MARION JOHNSON, JR.	MARCH 02
ROBERT HUNT	MARCH 03
SUSAN ROSS	MARCH 05
JOHN KERR	MARCH 05
MATT KOPAC	MARCH 05
STEED ROLLINS, JR.	MARCH 06
ALLEN CRONENBERG	MARCH 08
JAMES HEDRICK	MARCH 08
CRAIG BROWN	MARCH 09
HOWARD CLEMENT, III	MARCH 12
ERNIE MILLS, JR.	MARCH 13
RALPH SNYDERMAN	MARCH 13
PAMELA GREEN	MARCH 16
DENNIS MCLAIN	MARCH 16
GUY SOLIE	MARCH 17
JOHN STADDON	MARCH 19
ISAAC GREEN	MARCH 20
ERIN WILLIS	MARCH 23
WALT SHACKELFORD	MARCH 24
TOM KERNS, III	MARCH 26
INGRID WICKER-MCCREE	MARCH 29
LARRY CRANE	MARCH 31
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Pending New Members CHAD QUINN (Sponsor: Rob Everett) JOE WEBSTER (Sponsor: Willis Whichard) CATHY STALLCUP (Sponsor: Brady Surle)

#### 2014-2015 ROTARY LEADERSHIP

RI President: Gary Huang **District Governor: Matthew Kane** ADG-Area 7: Joyce McKinney

#### 2014-2015 Club Officers

President: Vandana Dake Immediate Past-President: Bill Ingram President-Elect: Lois Deloatch Vice-President: Todd Taylor Secretary: Phyllis Coley Treasurer: Susan Miller Sergeant-at-Arms: Reginald Hodges Finance Advisor: Barry Curtis

#### 2014-2016 Board of Directors

Shelly Green Deirdre Hai Deana Labriola Eric Miller **David Reese** B. C. Dash Andy Esser Blake Strayhorn Meg Solera

#### **Club Website Master**

Jay Zenner, Designer; Updates

Wind gusts of up to 200 miles per hour would sweep a wind-blown outward path of devastation more than 10 miles from a blast, he said.

The Physicians Group is working with Rotary to enable Rotarians who would like to assist the campaign to make sign-up available. "As long as these weapons exist, there are many ways they can be used," he said. "We can prevent this from happening."

Hefland has worked for years as an emergency room physician and now practices internal medicine at an urgent care center in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Submitted By: Mark Lazenby

#### **ROTARY MINUTE: CHARLIE STEEL**



To Read Article, Go To: http://durhamrotaryclub.org/2015/03/rotary-minute-charlie-steel/

WELCOME NEW MEMBER ERIK BENSON





Foundation Chair, Dallas Stallings Presents Paul Harris Fellow Awards Congratulations To Gerry Musante, Kay Gresham, Newman Aguiar, Brantley Deloatche







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