



# 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

- 10/23 **Dave Kirkpatrick: Impact Investing**  
The SJF Ventures Journey  
**Introduction:** Michael Palmer
- 10/30 **Dr. Bartley Danielsen**  
Family Migration Schools & CPR  
**Introduction:** Mike Kriston
- 11/06 **President Vincent Price, Duke University**  
**Introduction:** Dr. Phail Wynn
- 11/13 **Tom Bonfield, City Manager's**  
Durham Update  
**Introduction:** President Seth Jernigan
- 11/20 **NO MEETING!!**  
In Observance of The Thanksgiving Holiday
- 11/27 **John Slayton, Trust Company of NC**  
Tax Reform & Year End Tax Planning  
**Introduction:** Dave Ross

### SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 23, 2017

Song: "AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL"

Lead Vocal: **SHELLY GREEN**

Pianist: **SHARON LASSITER**

Invocation & Rotary Minute: **SAM MIGLARESE**

### **DRC RAFFLE:**

**RI FOUNDATION PROGRAMS**

Contribution: \$1 Ticket; \$5 – 6 Tickets

Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Raffle Winner

**Raffle Total On 10/16/2017: \$100.00**

Rotary International: **\$50.00**; Raffle Winner: **\$50.00**

**RAFFLE WINNER: ALMASA BASS**

**CART FUND**

(Coins For Alzheimer's Research Trust)

**10/16/2017: \$61.00**



## ROTARY: PEOPLE OF ACTION SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS



### **OPPORTUNITIES TO JOIN THE DURHAM UK ROTARIANS**

October 24-31, 2017

Please Contact Brady Surles: [brady\\_surles@hotmail.com](mailto:brady_surles@hotmail.com)

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24**

BE PART OF THE WELCOME GROUP AT RDU OR TRAIN STATION

BE PART OF THE WELCOME SUPPER AT 7:00 P.M.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26**

BE A "HOST" AT ROTARY AFTER-HOURS AT CLOUDS BREWING

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28**

BE PART OF DINNER WITH ALL THE GUESTS

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29**

JOIN US FOR DUKE CHAPEL SERVICE

TAKE SOMEONE FOR A LIGHT LUNCH

BE PART OF DINNER AT VANDANA DAKE'S HOME (5 Spaces Are Available)

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 30**

BE PART OF MORNING RIVER WALK IN HILLSBOROUGH

BE A "HOST" AT OUR ROTARY MEETING

BE PART OF THE SOCIAL HOUR AT 1:30 P.M. – TYLER'S

BE PART OF DINNER AT SUSAN ROSS' HOME (8 Spaces Are Available)

## EVAN WALKER-WELLS



I went to handy-for-everything Google for a definition of "scalawag". Two interesting definitions came up. First was "a person who behaves badly, but in an amusingly mischievous rather than harmful way; a rascal." The second definition was an eyebrow raiser, "a white Southerner who collaborated with Northern Republicans during Reconstruction, often for personal profit. The term was used derisively by white Southern Democrats who opposed Reconstruction Legislation."



Hmm ... interesting name for a magazine devoted to telling stories about the South that illustrate and maybe suggest some solutions for its problems without dealing directly with policy. Our Speaker was Evan Walker-Wells, one of the Founders of the Magazine, who was introduced by Rotarian Ari Medoff.

Here, in the South, yesterday's Democrats are today's Republicans --- so the title itself carries its own ironic weight. With the baseball field behind him, Mr. Walker-Wells could be forgiven for the hopelessly mixed metaphor when he described the Magazine as "batting way above its weight" -- which he quickly realized and corrected.

Even a quick scan of the Magazine does show that they are punching down their weight but with some great corner-men, including Historians, William Chafe and Taylor Branch, Essayist, Anne Fadiman, who is also the daughter of Critic, Clifton Fadiman, and Alec MacGillis, a Journalist and Political Writer now with ProPublica. Their backgrounds in politics and civil rights provide a clue to the thrust of the Magazine.

**CLUB STATISTICS AS OF  
OCTOBER 23, 2017:**

**Club Members: 245 Active: 209  
Active-LOA: 7; Honorary: 29  
Staff Positions: 1**



**October Birthdays – 2017**

MARY ANN BLACK	OCTOBER 03
KEVIN SPEARS	OCTOBER 03
CORA COLE McFADDEN	OCTOBER 03
JOHN LOONEY	OCTOBER 04
KATE ELIA	OCTOBER 04
AUBREY ZINAICH-HOWELL	OCTOBER 06
BARRY CURTIS	OCTOBER 07
KIMBERLY SUAREZ	OCTOBER 08
COLIN CROSSMAN	OCTOBER 12
PARKS ALEXANDER	OCTOBER 13
EMILY EGGE	OCTOBER 15
KENAN RAND	OCTOBER 18
JODEE NIMERICHTER	OCTOBER 18
LEAH BERGMAN	OCTOBER 19
SUSAN SCOTT	OCTOBER 19
ALLIE BALLING	OCTOBER 20
BECCA JOHNSON	OCTOBER 22
SHELDON MITCHELL	OCTOBER 22
MIMI O'BRIEN	OCTOBER 22
JIM LEAK	OCTOBER 22
HUTCH JOHNSON	OCTOBER 25
BARKER FRENCH	OCTOBER 25
JOHN LINDSEY	OCTOBER 26
KAT GILL	OCTOBER 29

**PENDING NEW MEMBERS:**

**STEPHEN HANCOCK**  
(Sponsored By Kay Gresham)  
INDUCTION DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2017

**SAVANNAH LENNERTZ**  
(Sponsored By Guy Solie)  
INDUCTION DATE: TBD

**2017-2018 ROTARY LEADERSHIP**

RI President: Ian H. S. Riseley  
District Governor: Shafi Parekh  
ADG-Area 7: Susan Ross

**2017-2018 Club Officers**

President: Seth Jernigan  
Immediate Past-President: B. C. Dash  
President-Elect: Brady Surles  
Vice-President: Shelly Green  
Secretary: Emilee Collins  
Treasurer: Geri Lail  
Sergeant-at-Arms: Stan Morris  
Finance Advisor: Barry Curtis  
Legal Advisor: Deana Labriola

**2017-2018 Board of Directors**

Marge Nordstrom (2015-2018)  
Danielle Kaspar (2015-2018)  
John Cross (2015-2018)  
Desmond Miller (2016-2019)  
Dave Ross (2016-2019)  
Arles Taylor (2016-2019)  
Steed Rollins (2017-2020)  
Keith Artin (2017-2020)  
Kim Shaw (2017-2020)

**Club Website Master**

Jay Zenner, Designer; Updates

The objective is to give people affected by policy a voice to be part of the conversation. Mr. Walker-Wells related how his insight to this need came while he was going through chemo and then radiation therapy for leukemia. Policy needs to be infused with more understanding of the real impact it has on people.

My own question to Mr. Walker-Wells was whether trying to influence a South without borders wasn't a bit of an overreach and whether they had considered limiting the scope to just North Carolina. Frankly, I was thinking about things like distribution and revenue, but not his purpose. It became clearer to me when I scurried across the room and grabbed a copy of the Magazine from the pile that he brought with him and started reading it later that afternoon. The first story that I read was called *The Massacre Men --- The Confederate Counter-Insurgency*. It did happen to chronicle some events that happened in North Carolina, but it was easy to see the more universal lesson.

I grew up in Richmond, the Capital of the Confederacy, lived for several years there directly behind the Museum of the Confederacy, passed all the Confederate monuments on Monument Avenue thousands of times, read a biography of Robert E. Lee as a kid and one of the first adult novels I read was *The Red Badge of Courage*. Nevertheless, I think I learned more about the Civil War reading that one article Monday afternoon than I did in all those years. The writing was that good and makes me envious.

A question from Rotarian, Mark Lazenby, himself a Journalist, was about the feasibility of launching a paper publication when so much of journalism is moving to the internet. Mr. Walker-Wells felt the tactile nature and the ease of sharing was still providing a valid direction. The immediate reaction in the audience was whole-hearted agreement. I'm not sure I'm with them, but Scalawag hasn't ignored its website, which is very good and all content on it is available without a paywall, at least for now. You can get there at Scalawagmagazine.ORG. DON'T go to ScalaWAGmagazine.COM, which is a website about living with your dogo that doesn't have much content yet and will just confuse you, like it did me.

Scalawag is a non-profit whose revenues are derived solely from subscriptions and donations. It's refreshing to read through a magazine without navigating through any advertising. Its contributors are all paid and the staff takes all your fingers and toes to count now after a long time when one hand would do. Scalawag is available four times a year by subscription, for \$29.00 per year and you can sign up on the website.

*Submitted By: Jay Zenner*

**A ROTARY MINUTE WITH  
CORA COLE-McFADDEN**



**WELCOME TO NEW CLUB MEMBER, AUSTIN HILLS  
(SPONSORED BY: ARTHUR ROGERS)**



**REMEMBERING CHRIS ROSSATI**



Chris Rosati, who was honored with our Durham Rotary Club's 2016 Community Service Award, has passed away.

Chris, who had also been awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship and spoke to our Club twice, was a victim of ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease.

Our sincerest thoughts & prayers are with Chris' family.



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