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- 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

- 08/17 **CENTENNIAL PROGRAM: EDUCATION**
Reading Rangers Kick-Off
Introduction: Todd Taylor
- 08/24 **David Ferriero, Archivist For The U.S.**
Archiving In An Electronic Age
Introduction: President Lois Deloatch
- 08/31 **Jane Brown, Senior Strategic Advisor,**
Business Development
BCBS/Mosaic: Accelerating Health
Innovation In The Triangle
Introduction: Rob Everett
- 09/07 **NO MEETING! IN OBSERVANCE OF**
THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 17, 2015

Music

Pianist: **SHARON LASSITER**

Vocalist: **SHERRY DEVRIES**

"GOD BLESS AMERICA"

Invocation & Rotary Minute: **KEITH ARTIN**

DRC Raffle: RI Foundation Programs

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

Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Winner

Rotary International: \$56.50 Raffle Winner: \$56.50

Total: \$113.00

Raffle Winner: JERRY O'KEEFFE

CART Fund (Coins For Alzheimer's Research Trust)

8/10 \$TBD

NCCU MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH, LAVELLE MOTON



Our own Anna Jones introduced NCCU Men's Basketball Coach, LaVelle Moton. As the picture shows, they are either campaigning to change the NCCU colors to pink, or it is breast cancer awareness time again.

If God had given me a choice of the best body for the sport I would really wanted to be good at, I would have looked less like the Pillsbury Dough Boy and more like Michael Jordan --- or maybe Coach Moton. Although he is going into his seventh season as Head Coach of the Eagles, and graduated himself in 1996, he

looks like he could shuck that pink blazer, pull on some Chuck Taylor All Stars and play with anybody. In fact, the Coach was a shooting guard for the Eagles and was the first Eagle to be named the CIAA Men's Basketball Player of The Year in his Senior season. At NCCU, he has a winning percentage of 66.9% and took the School to the NIT Tournament in 2014 and their first trip to the NCAA Tournament in 2013.

Although the program was advertised to be about what basketball means to Durham, the Coach ended up providing an entertaining account of his own rise from a project in the Roxbury section of Boston to a successful basketball coach and published author. This project in Roxbury must have been fertile ground for talent because it also produced [Donna Summer](#) and [New Edition](#) in the late 70's and early 80's according to the Coach.

The Coach didn't phrase it this way, but the biggest obstacle he had to overcome on his way to success may have been himself. He told several stories about what seems to be his habit of turning down opportunities before finally accepting them. He turned down his first college coaching opportunity to get a feel for coaching at a high school. Thinking he was too young, he, at first, turned down the opportunity to become one of the youngest head coaches in the NCAA and take over the Program at NCCU, something many of the Eagle Boosters, at the time, agreed with. He told how he rebuffed an invitation to join [USA Basketball as a court coach](#) when he thought it was a friend playing a practical joke.

According to the Coach, it was the dogged determination of his Co-Author that got him to tell his story in his book *The Worst Times Are The Best Times*. This followed a tragic event in his life when his young son was severely burned right before he was to take NCCU to its first trip to the NCAA Tournament. The book is a collection of heartfelt stories with take-a-way lessons, especially for young men navigating turbulent times, which means any young man. It's available in Bookstores and at Amazon.com.

If anyone doubted that Coach Moton is anything but an Eagle through and through, he did mention that the worst thing about coaching here was being on Tobacco Road in the shadow of powerhouses Duke, UNC, and NCSU. However, he also mentioned that it's the best thing. It's notable he has garnered enough respect on Tobacco Road that Coach K, Roy Williams, and Mike Gottfried all contributed forwords to his book.

**Club Statistics as of
August 17, 2015:**
Club Members: 235;
Active: 202
Active-LOA: 5; Honorary: 28
Staff Positions: 1



Member	Birthday
VINCE SIMONETTI	AUGUST 03
TAMMY BAGGETT	AUGUST 06
PATRICK BAKER	AUGUST 06
TIM NORDGREN	AUGUST 06
HARVEY SELLNER	AUGUST 08
GERAUD STATON	AUGUST 12
DALLAS STALLINGS	AUGUST 13
GEOFF DURHAM	AUGUST 15
WADE GRESHAM	AUGUST 16
ALEX QUIGLEY	AUGUST 20
SUSAN MILLER	AUGUST 29
ROZ GRACE	AUGUST 29
PHYLLIS COLEY	AUGUST 31
SETH JERNIGAN	AUGUST 31
CARVER WEAVER	AUGUST 31

PENDING NEW MEMBERS

LEIGH ANN HAMBY (SPONSORS: DOUG KOENIG & LOIS CRANFORD)
 BOB STEVENS (SPONSOR: BARRY CURTIS)
 WANDA LESTER (SPONSOR: CHRIS GERGEN)

2015-2016 ROTARY LEADERSHIP

RI President: K. R. Ravindran
 District Governor: Newman Aguiar
 ADG-Area 7: Joyce McKinney
2015-2017 Club Officers
 President: Lois Deloatch
 Immediate Past-President: Vandana Dake
 President-Elect: B. C. Dash
 Vice-President: Shelly Green
 Secretary: Phyllis Coley
 Treasurer: Susan Miller
 Sergeant-at-Arms: Janene Tompkins
 Finance Advisor: Barry Curtis
 Legal Advisor: Deana Labriola

2015-2017 Board of Directors

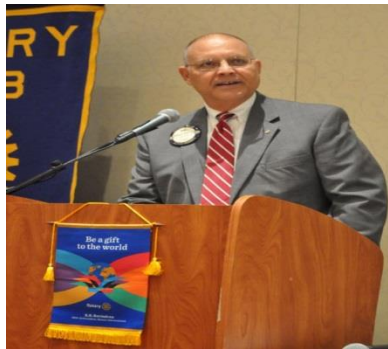
Eric Miller
 David Reese
 Andy Esser
 Blake Strayhorn
 Meg Solera
 Marge Nordstrom
 Jen Noble
 Ari Medoff
 Danielle Kaspar
Club Website Master
 Jay Zenner, Designer; Updates

At the beginning of his well-received talk, the Coach acknowledged Rotarian and NCCU Athletic Director, Ingrid Wicker-McCree, and Rotarian and NCCU Chancellor, Debra Saunders-White, for being great to work for. At the end, he also acknowledged the basketball coaches that had preceded him ending with John B. McLendon. McLendon is the central character in Scott Ellsworth's book *The Secret Game*, a fabulous read about what basketball means to Durham, what Durham means to basketball, what NCCU means to Durham, and how all were intertwined in the civil rights movement that began after World War II.

Submitted By: Jay Zenner

ROTARY MINUTE: BILL STOKES

CONGRATULATIONS DAVE ROSS & NANCY MARKS!

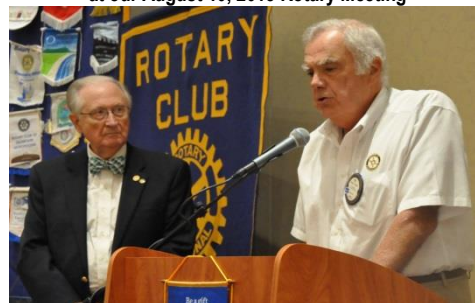


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Nancy - PHF+4; Dave - PHF +3

Bob Yowell Speaking About Foundation Gifts
 at our August 10, 2015 Rotary Meeting



WELCOME NEW CLUB MEMBERS!



Diane Bonner (Sponsor: Kevin Spears); Tracy Mancini (Sponsor: Bill Ingram)



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