



Rotary Club of Durham

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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

- 08/24 **David Ferrero, Archivist of The United States**
 “Archiving In An Electronic Age: Favorites From The National Archives”
 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**
- 09/14 **Centennial Program: ARTS – Centerfest**
 Introduction: Brady Surles
- 09/21 **Nasher 10 Celebration**
 Sarah Schroth, Executive Director
 Introduction: Arthur Rogers, III

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 24, 2015

Music

Pianist: **VINCE SIMONETTI**

Vocalist: **SHELLY GREEN**

“STAR SPANGLED BANNER”

Invocation & Rotary Minute: **BRADY SURLES**

DRC Raffle: RI Foundation Programs

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

Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Winner

Rotary International: \$52 Raffle Winner: \$52

Total: \$104.00

Raffle Winner: BRADY SURLES

CART Fund (Coins For Alzheimer’s Research Trust)

8/17 \$TBA

CENTENNIAL PROGRAM – READING RANGERS KICK-OFF -- TODD TAYLOR



Rotary President Lois Deloatch probably would have gotten the “time’s up!” buzzer from Immediate Past-President, Vandana Dake at Monday’s Meeting – and all she did was recite the activities our Club Members have undertaken in the past week – fill the bus school supplies drive; end-of-the-summer lunch and activities at East Durham Children’s Initiative; Rotary information booth at last Saturday’s Farmer’s Market; welcoming and saying farewell to our International Exchange Students – incoming, Fern Piromsantikorn, from Thailand; outgoing, Adair Tompkins, heading to Bolivia; and Jack Saint Clair, returning from spending one year in Germany. Shout-outs to the families of Janene Tompkins and Shannon Leskin for hosting our global guests!

When rootin’ tootin’ Todd Taylor stood at the lectern to deliver an update and a call to action for all Members to “kick off the school year in Rotary style” we knew more acts of service were in the future for our Centennial Year. Donning his cowboy hat, his raucous YEE-HAW got everyone sitting up and responding with a hearty HOWDY of our own. Representing 13 programs, the Education Committee is one of our most robust groups. Throughout the school year, hundreds of school children are served, thousands of dollars are raised, and thousands of hours are donated by Rotarians in Durham. While some programs are supporting by other clubs in Area 7, the bulk of the activities are designed, developed, and implemented by Members of the Downtown Durham Club.

The RYLA Program (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) provides a three-day leadership course to local high school students. Under Chris Hyland’s guidance, the interest has grown and we now get far more applications than there are positions. If you were not able to attend the meeting on Monday, get Todd to do his “Valley-Girl” impression of the comments we heard from the teens that participated: “It was soooo much fun!”

While we don’t have numbers yet from this year’s Fill The Bus School Supplies Drive, we do know this event has enjoyed widespread support from the community. We have grown from filling just one bus eight years ago to filling eight buses last year. There were numerous more collection sites this year, and our hope is, that when the numbers are all in, we will surpass our goal of \$120,000.00 in funds and supplies for the Crayons To Calculators warehouse.

The Scholarship Committee manages funds for scholarship funds awarded to six local high school seniors each year. The great part is that the fundraising for this committee is lots of fun, so keep supporting events at The Nasher Art Museum, Progressive/Regressive Dinners, Poinsettia sales, and theatre nights at the DPAC. Here’s a hint: we are planning another DPAC theatre event this season and we are hoping to make it a family-friendly party!

The Four-Way Test Essay Contest challenges eighth graders to write a 300-word composition on “What The Four-Way Test Means To Me.” Rotarians can help recruit students, engage teachers, and help in judging the essays. Another initiative --- The Rotarians Against Drugs Speech Contest needs our help. In recent years, the interest in participation from high school students has waned, and we would like to revitalize the programs. Your thoughts are much appreciated --- perhaps high schoolers prefer to communicate through some other media --- Video? Social? Skits or Short Plays?

**Club Statistics as of
August 24, 2015:
Club Members: 240;
Active: 208
Active-LOA: 3; Honorary: 28
Staff Positions: 1**



Member	Birthday
VINCE SIMONETTI	AUGUST 03
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
TOM BAGBY	AUGUST 26
SUSAN MILLER	AUGUST 29
ROZ GRACE	AUGUST 29
PHYLLIS COLEY	AUGUST 31
SETH JERNIGAN	AUGUST 31
CARVER WEAVER	AUGUST 31

PENDING NEW MEMBERS

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

Little Free Libraries is one of the coolest projects of late. Book sharing boxes are built, painted (thank you Carolyn Aaronson for your artistic talents!) and installed in neighborhoods. We are starting with EDCI and East Durham neighborhoods. Another fun volunteering opportunity for Rotarians is Books on Break, where 10 free books are provided to Pre-K through Fifth Grade Students to read during the summer break and keep for their very own. While it helps stave off summer reading loss, it also gives the kids a sense of pride in ownership. I worked with two little girls who were best friends. They were making sure to choose different books from each other so they could share. Pretty smart strategy for 10 year olds! Todd pointed out that Book Harvest, the local non-profit that collects the books for this event have used it as a model for 4 other schools. Mimi O'Brien, thanks for your work in organizing and implementing Books on Break!

Last, but certainly not least, is The Rotary Reading Rangers, providing literacy tutoring and support for K-5 and Middle School Students at Y. E. Smith Elementary and Neal Middle School. There are numerous opportunities associated with The Rangers. Some require as little as 1 hour per week of volunteer time. Now, entering its 4th year, teachers and students appreciate the consistency the Program represents in their schools.

Interact = service club for high school students. Rotaract = service club for college students. We are the only club in Durham not sponsoring an Interact Club. While our Rotaract Chapter is viable, it needs your support to grow. Contact Melissa Mills for details on how you can help.

I'm way over my word count for this week's report, and there's still a lot more to share. If I have left someone's name off, please forgive my omission and accept my thanks for your dedication. Visit our website at www.durhamrotaryclub.org for information on our new Science Olympiad Project, and visions for future projects such as Ethics Facilitation in schools, and Peaceful Climates in schools (save the date for October 24 at Duke: The School To Peace Pipeline sponsored by www.peacefulschoolsnc.com). And, we're always looking for new ideas that meet the standards of our Four-Way Test! So, be a Gift To The World! For our children with the Education Committee, and for our community in support of our 100 Acts of Service Centennial Year.

Submitted By: Carver Weaver

Rotary Minute: Keith Artin



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Welcome To Our Newest Members!



Bob Stevens (Sponsor: Barry Curtis)

Leigh Ann Hamby (Sponsored By: Lois Cranford & Doug Koenig)



Banner Exchange
President Lois Exchanges Club Banners
At Our August 17, 2015 Rotary Meeting
With Visiting Rotarian & Immediate
Past-President, Lina Fakhoury,
of Rotary Club Beirut Metropolitan
From District 2452



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Executive Secretary: Sharon Lassiter

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