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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

- 06/06 **Ele Ross, St. Augustine Literacy Project**
Introduction: Steed Rollins
- 06/13 **Marsha Morey**
Durham Judicial Courts
Introduction: Nancy Gordon
- 06/20 **Lynn Richardson: African American Archives at Durham County Library & Geer Street Cemetery; A Historical Tour**
Introduction: Lois Deloatch
- 06/27 **NO MEETING!**
- 06/29 **END OF YEAR CELEBRATION!**
Blue Note Grill (5:30pm-7:30pm)
709 Washington Street, Durham
\$15.00 Per Person
(See Sharon To Sign-Up To Attend)
DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS JUNE 15!
- 07/04 **NO MEETING! IN OBSERVANCE OF THE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY**

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 6, 2016

Music

Vocalist: SHERRY DEVRIES

Pianist: SHARON LASSITER

Song: AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

ROTARY MINUTE & INVOCATION: SAM MIGLARESE
SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO HOWARD CLEMENT & WALT SHACKLEFORD

DRC Raffle: RI Foundation Programs

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

Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Winner

Rotary International: \$20 Raffle Winner: \$19

Total: \$39.00

CART Fund (Coins For Alzheimer's Research Trust)

5/23 \$21.00

DR. EDWARD BUCKLEY THE EYE CENTER AT DUKE

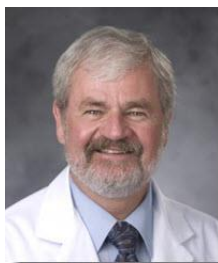


Our Club has a regular rotation to do these write-ups, but I cut in line to do this one because of my recent experience with The Eye Center at Duke. Since I have written about my experience having two cataracts removed earlier in the year on my own [blog](#), I figured I already had half the material that I needed and it was all positive stuff that, our speaker, Dr. Edward Buckley, who runs the place, would be glad to hear.

While that may have been true, what Judge Craig Brown said in his introduction made my surgeries seem pretty mundane. Judge Brown admitted that it might seem strange that someone who is blind would be so anxious to praise Duke Eye Center, but then told the story of how they had been able to extend the sight in his right eye for many years when other notable institutions said it couldn't have been done.

Past-President, Don Stanger, also helped present Dr. Buckley to the group. Officially, Dr. Buckley is the Chair of The Department of Ophthalmology, Vice-Dean of Medical Education for the entire School of Medicine, and a Professor of Ophthalmology with Fellowships in both Pediatric Ophthalmology and Neuro-Ophthalmology. If this sounds like he spends his time in an office or a classroom, the fact that he joined us in scrubs straight from a surgery and was headed back to the operating room after he spoke to us, clearly indicated that he practices what he teaches. What he shared reaffirmed what Judge Brown and I had experienced – that is, The Eye Center is a terrific local health resource for Durham and the area. In fact, there are ten separate locations, including four here in Durham. It is the third largest eye center in the country with a primary faculty of 72. There are over 160,000 patient visits a year and over 18,000 surgical procedures.

What is not so apparent to the general public or the patients that visit one of the facilities is the scope of the research being done. Dr. Buckley shared that there were hundreds of clinical trials going on in The Eye Center and results appear in over 280 publications.



In the discussions subsequent to the presentation, Dr. Buckley shared some of the really remarkable things that are happening around the world in this kind of research. In an example of "out of the box" approaches, he described using other organs or senses to compensate for lost sight. The most intriguing was implanting sensing chips on the tongue to give sightless people some additional sense of their surroundings.

The final dimension of The Eye Center that Dr. Buckley discussed was its role in educating the next generations of practitioners, especially through residencies and fellowships. I know in my own surgeries, my surgeon had performed over 56,000 surgeries; but a lot of the pre-op and post-op care was administered by doctors there for residencies or fellowships.

**Club Statistics as of
June 6, 2016:**

**Club Members: 250; Active: 215
Active-LOA: 6; Honorary: 29
Staff Positions: 1**

JUNE 2016 BIRTHDAYS!

BILL LEFEVRE	JUNE 01
DON DRAUGHON	JUNE 06
CHARLIE STEEL	JUNE 06
DON STANGER	JUNE 07
JACKIE PIERCE	JUNE 08
TRACY MANCINI	JUNE 09
SAM NICHOLS	JUNE 12
RICK JORGENSEN	JUNE 12
BRENDA HOWERTON	JUNE 13
CHAD QUINN	JUNE 14
BRETT ROBERTS	JUNE 17
LIZZIE ELLIS-FURLONG	JUNE 18
IAN NIEDEL	JUNE 18
SHANNON LESKIN	JUNE 21
BRANTLEY DELOATCH	JUNE 21
MELISSA MILLS	JUNE 24
KIMBERLY PHILLIPS	JUNE 29
JOSE LOPEZ	JUNE 30

PENDING NEW MEMBERS:

RORY KELLY (Sponsor: Lois Deloatch)
JAMES MOSELEY (Sponsor: Don Stanger)
MICHAEL KRISTON (Sponsor: Rob Everett)

GOVERNOR'S INSTALLATION BANQUET

Installation of 2016-17 DG Rusine Mitchell Sinclair
& Salute To 2015-16 DG Newman Aguiar
Wednesday, June 22, 2016
North Ridge Country Club – Raleigh
6:00pm – 9:00pm
Register Now On DacDB (Or See Sharon)

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
Mimi O'Brien
Dave Ross
Desmond Miller

Club Website Master

Jay Zenner, Designer; Updates

Because this Meeting was offsite at The Eye Center on campus, a small crew was recruited to help our Executive Secretary, Sharon, set up the lunch outside the Center's auditorium. As we set up tables and the lunch provided by Q-Shack, we began speculating about how many of our Members would actually be there. We even had a little pool because the weather was so threatening and parking both expensive and not terribly convenient. We have been averaging about 150 people at our meetings at The Durham Convention Center. We didn't hit the 150 number but it was much higher than many in that pool had reckoned. This, I believe, is a testament to an already high appreciation of what the Medical Center, generally, and The Eye Center, in particular, mean to the community. The information shared with us in such an engaging fashion and the assistance from the staff at The Eye Center who helped and made us feel welcome only increased that appreciation for those who navigated the obstacles.

What I thought would be a quick write-up was confounded, as so often happens, when I went to The Duke Ophthalmology website and started scanning some of the little synopses of some of the research. If you are curious about this kind of thing, you can spend an hour or two pleasantly engaging yourself there, at: www.dukeeyecenter.duke.edu.

Submitted By: Jay Zenner

Welcome To Our
Newest Member, Carl Evans,
Sponsored By His Wife, Ann Evans



A Rotary Minute With
Lizzie Ellis-Furlong



END OF YEAR CELEBRATION AT BLUE NOTE GRILL!!
709 Washington Street - Durham



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2016

5:30PM – 7:30PM

\$15.00 PER PERSON
Checks Made Payable To:
Rotary Club of Durham
**CONTACT SHARON TO
SIGN-UP TO ATTEND**

Slassiter38@nc.rr.com or 919.868.0212

JUNE ROTARY AFTER-HOURS



We Will Be Joining Sister Cities of
Durham For Their Happy Hour
FULLSTEAM BREWERY
726 Rigsbee Avenue – Durham 27701
THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2016
5:30PM -- 7:00PM

For Additional Information:
<http://www.evite.com/event/012CP6YKOVPLYMZJ4EPGDFAUHBPBKQ>
Or Contact Emily Page at:
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