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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

- 09/26 Dr. Richard Brodhead – Duke University
A Look Back & Forward
Introduction: Phail Wynn
- 10/03 Joanne F. Pierce, MA, MPH
Deputy Public Health Director
Introduction: Mary Ann Black
- 10/10 Durham Bond Issue
Introduction: Bill Ingram
- 10/17 Susan Carroll – Rotary Peace Fellows
Introduction: Vandana Dake
- 10/24 **NO MEETING!!**
ROTARY VOLUNTEER DAY!
- 10/31 **OFFSITE MEETING! HOLDEN CENTER**
Art Pappas
Introduction: Don Stanger

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

Vocalist: MARK HIGGINS

Pianist: SHARON LASSITER

Song: "GOD BLESS AMERICA"

Rotary Minute & Invocation: TBA

DRC Raffle: RI Foundation Programs

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

Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Winner

Rotary International: \$44 Raffle Winner: \$44

Total: \$88

RAFFLE WINNER: ANN EVANS

CART Fund (Coins For Alzheimer's Research Trust)

9/19 \$193.26!

LETISHA JUDD, PRINCIPAL Y.E. SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL READING RANGERS REPORT CARD



Swaggering and sporting his cowboy hat, Todd Taylor's familiar, "Yee Hah" hinted that our Program would probably have something to do with Reading Rangers. He introduced Letisha Judd, Principal of Y.E. Smith Elementary School since 2010, and a "vocal cheerleader" of Reading Rangers since the Program launched in 2012. A native Durham-mite, Judd attended local public schools, NCCU, and UNC. She has not completed our Annual Report Card for The Reading Rangers Program just yet. Instead, she had a kind of parent-teacher discussion with us about the impact the Program is having at Y.E. Smith.

She lauded the Program's "powerful, powerful impact." This praise, she noted, is supported by performance data. She pointed out that the model for Reading Rangers has evolved over the years. Because literacy skills are formed in the early years, the focus now is on kindergarten and first grade --- especially kindergarten. Some children enter kindergarten without even knowing their letters, yet they are expected to be reading by the end of the school year. These children need what she calls "catch up time." It is exactly this group --- 3 to 4 students per classroom --- that Reading Rangers now targets. Ideally, each of these children should get 2 or so hours of "catch up time" each week.

Parents or other caregivers are an important part of the equation. They are encouraged to work on letters, to read to, and with their children, and to talk with their child in order to develop oral language skills as well. Worksheets and stories are sent home with students to assist in developing reading skills.



Once again, as she has said every year that I remember hearing her, Judd repeated: "The kids love you!" They have great respect for their volunteers and look forward to their weekly sessions.

Several Club Members who have volunteered at Y.E. Smith described their experiences. Susan Ross commented on the powerful relationships she has developed with students. Veteran Ranger Don Stanger said he would often be greeted as he walked down the School's hallways with broad smiles and cries of "Mr. Don, Mr. Don" from present and past students. Volunteers not only work on reading skills, but, as Jay Zenner pointed out, help students with other important tasks, such as counting change or reading a clock.

Y.E. Smith is part of a broad initiative --- The East Durham Learning Collaborative -- to improve reading skills in the EDCI Zone. Working in partnership with The Hill Center, 5 schools in East Durham --- 2 public schools, and 3 charter schools --- incorporate The Hill Methodology to teach reading to students, and provide professional development for teachers.

Club Statistics as of September 26, 2016:

Club Members: 251; Active: 217
Active-LOA: 5; Honorary: 29
Staff Positions: 1



SEPTEMBER 2016 BIRTHDAYS!

VANDANA DAKE	SEPTEMBER 01
DAN HILL, III	SEPTEMBER 03
LOIS DELOATCH	SEPTEMBER 04
ARLES TAYLOR, JR.	SEPTEMBER 05
PATRICE NELSON	SEPTEMBER 06
TOM KRAKAUER	SEPTEMBER 06
EDWIN YARBROUGH, IV	SEPTEMBER 06
PHAIL WYNN, JR.	SEPTEMBER 08
JAMES CRUMPTON	SEPTEMBER 12
FRED FOSTER, JR.	SEPTEMBER 12
ERIC MILLER	SEPTEMBER 14
JOSE SOLERA	SEPTEMBER 14
SARAH SCHROTH	SEPTEMBER 16
DIANE BONNER	SEPTEMBER 16
DEANA LABRIOLA	SEPTEMBER 19
RANDALL MCLEOD	SEPTEMBER 19
MICHELLE YOUNG	SEPTEMBER 20
BUNMI FATOYE-MATORY	SEPTEMBER 20
EMILY OLIVER	SEPTEMBER 25
MONICA BARNES	SEPTEMBER 26
MALCOLM WHITE	SEPTEMBER 28
MARGARET MORRIS	SEPTEMBER 28
SHELLY GREEN	SEPTEMBER 29

PENDING NEW MEMBER:

CHARLES EDWIN REECE
 (Sponsor: MIKE WOODARD)
ELIZABETH LEE BARBER
 (Sponsor: DON STANGER)
 LEE BARNES

2016-2017 ROTARY LEADERSHIP

RI President: John Germ
 District Governor: Rusine Mitchell Sinclair
 ADG-Area 7: Joyce McKinney

2016-2017 Club Officers

President: B. C. Dash
 Immediate Past-President: Lois DeLoatch
 President-Elect: Seth Jernigan
 Vice-President: Shelly Green
 Secretary: Mimi O'Brien
 Treasurer: Susan Miller
 Sergeant-at-Arms: Stan Morris
 Sergeant-at-Arms Co-Chair: Eric Miller
 Finance Advisor: Barry Curtis
 Legal Advisor: Deana Labriola

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Andy Esser
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Club Website Master
 Jay Zenner, Designer; Updates

Judd emphasized that, if a volunteer would prefer working with older students, a place can be found for you in higher grades. Todd Taylor said a "sign-up genius" would soon be available on the Club's Website. So be on the lookout and be one of the 100 volunteers giving 100 minutes to Reading Rangers.

Submitted By: Allen Cronenberg

SEPTEMBER 19TH CART BUCKET CHALLENGE WINNER!
KIM SHAW PRESENTS MARY ANN BLACK AND
HER TABLE WITH WINNING GOODIE BAG

ROTARY MINUTE WITH
HARVEY SELLNER



WELCOME TO OUR
NEWEST CLUB MEMBER,
MIKE RYCHENER
SPONSORED BY:
MELISSA MILLS!

ANNOUNCEMENTS AT OUR SEPTEMBER 19TH MEETING
(From Left To Right: Doug Koenig, Brady Surles, Seth Jernigan)



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