



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

11/14	Captain Robert Viera/Christopher Gergen Salvation Army/Rotary Innovation Fellows Introduction: Steed Rollins
11/21	NO MEETING!! IN OBSERVANCE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
11/28	Dallas Stallings, Rotary Foundation Introduction: TBA
12/05	OFFSITE MEETING; DETAILS TBA
12/12	Blake Hill-Saya Aaron McDuffie Moore -- Biographer Introduction: Lois DeLoatch
12/19	HOLIDAY PROGRAM DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS Introduction: Steed Rollins
12/26	NO MEETING!! IN OBSERVANCE OF THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
01/02	NO MEETING!! IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2016

Lead Vocalist: TBD

Pianist: Andy Esser

Song: TBD

Invocation & Rotary Minute:
TOM KRAKAUER

DRC Raffle: RI Foundation Programs
Contribution: \$1/Ticket; \$5/6 Tickets
Proceeds: ½ RI Foundation; ½ Winner
Rotary International: \$65.00
Raffle Winner: \$65.00
Total: \$130.00

RAFFLE WINNER: BARKER FRENCH
CART Fund (Coins For Alzheimer's Research Trust)
11/7 \$TBD

LT. COLONEL BERNADINE ("BERNIE") DONATO USN/USAF (RET.)



An energetic U.S. Navy Nurse who retired from the military with the rank of Lt. Colonel treated Club Members on Monday to a whirlwind look back at a whirlwind military career. By any standard, it was high-energy --- and at moments, a tad more.

Lt. Col. Bernadine ("Bernie") Donato, USN/USAF (Ret.), shared anecdotes and great photos in an album – of sorts – at our Veterans Day lunch.

She illustrated why service in the nation's armed service brings the full human menu of experience and emotion – swift action, danger, long bouts of waiting and boredom, friendship, service in distant regions, grief, joy, and fun. In short, it has been quite a life journey by a self-described "farm girl" from upstate New York. The journey landed her in Durham in 2013, following service in the LAPD – another story.

And the journey continues.



Here, in Durham, she is Vice-Commander of VFW Post 2740. She also serves as the Veteran Outreach Director for Team Red, White & Blue, Raleigh-Durham. She and two other Veterans founded The North Carolina Veterans Oral History Project to interview Veterans --- at no cost to them --- to record their life experiences. "You have to keep people busy; you have to have purpose," she said, recalling that, for many Veterans, the transition from military service to civilian life is "a big adjustment."

Over her career, she deployed to multiple joint exercises in the United States, Panama, and Korea. She was activated and deployed for Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm, where she was Officer in Charge of 15 flight crew members 30 miles south of the Iraqi border. She retired from the military with the rank of Lt. Colonel in 1999 with a raft of medals, including The Meritorious Service Medal, The Air Force Commendation, and The Humanitarian Service Medal.



Among postings at the beginning of her career as a United States Navy Nurse in 1975 were Camp Pendleton and Long Beach, California, and in Japan at Okinawa. She transferred to The Air National Guard from the Navy in 1984. She spent the last 14 years of her career as a Tactical Flight Nurse on the legendary C-130 Aircraft, a Lockheed Martin workhouse with contemporary variants still in service globally.

Lunch began with rousing renditions of the signature songs for each Branch of the Armed Services brought to all by our well-known Rotary Chorus, featuring Members Shelly Green, Andy Esser, Vince Simonetti, Sherry DeVries, Kay Gresham, and George Deaton.

Submitted By: Mark Lazenby

Club Statistics as of November 14, 2016:

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



**NOVEMBER 2016
BIRTHDAYS!**

LLOYD GURLEY	NOVEMBER 03
MICHEL THARP	NOVEMBER 03
DAVE WALTERS	NOVEMBER 04
LUCIEN ROUGHTON	NOVEMBER 05
NANCY GORDON	NOVEMBER 06
STAN MORRIS	NOVEMBER 07
CHRISA EVANS	NOVEMBER 07
DANIELLE KASPAR	NOVEMBER 08
BERT COLLINS	NOVEMBER 09
ARTHUR WHITE HURST	NOVEMBER 10
ROBERT BRATCHER	NOVEMBER 11
JULIE WELLS	NOVEMBER 12
TREAT HARVEY	NOVEMBER 13
EARL TYE	NOVEMBER 14
KIM CAMERON	NOVEMBER 15
ELLEN CASSILLY	NOVEMBER 15
SCOTT HARMON	NOVEMBER 16
WOLFFFGANG JOKLIK	NOVEMBER 16
EARL DOWELL	NOVEMBER 16
ERNE MILLS, SR.	NOVEMBER 18
ANDY ESSER	NOVEMBER 22
MAURA SULLIVAN	NOVEMBER 22
LYNN RICHARDSON	NOVEMBER 24
JACK HUGHES	NOVEMBER 24
DOUG KOENIG	NOVEMBER 28
SHERIDAN VAN WAGENBERG	NOVEMBER 29

**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

2016-2017 Board of Directors

Andy Esser
Blake Strayhorn
Meg Solera
Marge Nordstrom
Ari Medoff
Danielle Kaspar
Desmond Miller
Dave Ross
Arles Taylor

Club Website Master
Jay Zenner, Designer; Updates

A WONDERFUL & BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE TO OUR
CLUB MEMBER VETERANS BY OUR ROTARY CHOIR
AT OUR NOVEMBER 14TH MONDAY MEETING
TO ALL OUR CLUB MEMBER VETERANS:
WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY!

Rotary Club of Durham Choir



From Left To Right:
George Deaton, Sherry DeVries,
Kay Gresham, Vince Simonetti,
Andy Esser & Shelly Green

Rotary Club of Durham Veterans



From Left To Right:
Charlie Steel, Seth Warner, Larry Crane,
Bob Yowell, Bill Stokes,
Bill LeFevre & Jim Leak

IT'S POINSETTIA TIME!
LAST DAY TO ORDER IS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH!!



ROTARY AFTER-HOURS

NOVEMBER 17 5:30PM-7:30PM
HOPE VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB -- DURHAM



COMING EVENTS:

October 10 – November 14, 2016: Poinsettia Sales
December 3, 2016: DPAC "Grinch" For Scholarships
December 13-17, 2016: Salvation Army Bell Ringing

PENDING NEW MEMBER:

Rachel Galanter (Induction: 11/14/16)
(Sponsor: Nancy Gordon)



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