



# Rotary Club of Durham



## Club Meeting

Durham  
Meets at Zoom Virtual  
Meeting See Weekly  
Email for Zoom  
Meeting Login  
Information Link

Durham, NC 27701  
Time: Monday at  
12:30 PM

## Events

No Events found

## Speakers

### February 08, 2021

Dr. Tony Moody  
Presentation Topic:  
Vaccine 101 --- Light  
At The End Of The  
Tunnel

### February 15, 2021

Reminder: No  
Meeting  
No Meeting Today --  
In Observance of  
The President's Day  
Holiday

### February 22, 2021

Nicole Thompson,  
Downtown Durham,  
Inc. CEO  
Presentation Topic:  
Downtown Durham  
Update and Future  
Plans

### March 01, 2021

Rodney Jenkins,  
Director -- Durham  
County Health  
Department  
Presentation Topic:  
COVID-19 Update  
and Other Local  
Health Issues

## Club Leaders



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Friday, February 5, 2021

## Rotary Meeting 2.8.2020 Guest Speaker: Dr. Tony Moody

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, December 4, 2020

### PLEASE JOIN US!

### Rotary Club of Durham Weekly Meeting

**Monday, February 8, 2021 --- 12:30 p.m. --- 1:30 p.m.**

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Tony Moody, Duke Human Vaccine Institute**

### Presentation Topic:

**Vaccine 101 --- LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL**

**[Zoom Link Will Be Provided]**



Tony Moody, MD is an Associate Professor in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Infectious Diseases and the Department of Immunology at Duke University Medical Center. Dr. Moody is the Director of the Laboratory of B cell Immunotechnology at the Duke Human Vaccine Institute (DHVI). Research in the Moody lab is focused on understanding the B cell responses during the earliest stages of HIV infection. The lab has become a resource for human phenotyping, flow characterization, staining and analysis at DHVI. Dr. Moody is also the Director of the CHAVI DHVI Repository that provides support for the collaborative work occurring at DHVI and with its many collaborators around the world by providing processing, shipping, and inventory support for a wide array of projects. Additionally, Dr. Moody serves as one of the Principal Investigators of the new Duke Collaborative Influenza Vaccine Innovation Centers (CIVICs) where he will conduct basic immunology and virology research to identify potential influenza vaccine candidates.

In addition, the Moody lab has active projects looking at the response to HIV-1, syphilis, and autoimmunity.

[Read More](#)

## It's Grant Season! Download the form and apply today!

By Aalayah C. Sanders on Wednesday, February 3, 2021



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**It's Grant Season! Do you have a project that you're passionate about?**

**District Grant Project form: [DOWNLOAD THE FORM!](#)**

**[RCD District Grant Concept Form](#)**

**Global Grant Project form: [DOWNLOAD THE FORM!](#)**

**[RCD Global Grant Concept Form](#)**

**Rotaract Service Above Self Event -- 2.24.2021!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, February 5, 2021

**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN!**  
**ROTARACT SERVICE ABOVE SELF EVENT**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021**  
**7:30PM EST**

JOIN US FOR

# SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Hear the inspiring stories of two local Rotarians and one Rotary Peace Fellow as they share their careers, service, and experiences with Rotary International!

**FEBRUARY 24, 2021**  
**7:30-9:00PM**

SIGN UP AT:  
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/3IQOZIU](https://bit.ly/3IQOZIU)

**Invitation From Jessica Voss,  
Director of Professional Development  
For The Rotaract Club of Duke University**

My name is Jessica Voss and I am the Director of Professional Development for the Rotaract Club of Duke University. Our Rotaract club is planning an event for Wednesday, February 24 at 7:30pm EST called Service Above Self. At the event we have two Rotarians and a Rotary Peace Fellow from the Duke-UNC location to join us over Zoom to speak



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Governor

about their amazing experiences in Rotary International. You do not want to miss out! You may have heard of or attended this event before, but this year it will be over Zoom. This new platform for Service Above Self allows us to open it up to anyone that it interested. Feel free to invite anyone in the world and they do not have to be a Rotary/Rotaract/Interact member. We would love to have you all attend!

Sign up Here: <https://bit.ly/3iQOZiu>

Jessica Voss

Duke University, Class of 2024

Trinity College of Arts & Sciences

Director of Professional Development For The Rotaract Club of Duke University

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## COVID VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, February 2, 2021



## Rotary District 7711 COVID Volunteer Opportunities and Challenges February 2021

### Situation

The Covid virus health crisis continues with over 128,500 cases confirmed in the ten North Carolina counties served by Rotary 7710's forty-seven clubs. Unfortunately, this number will increase in the months ahead. Now that there is a vaccine available, there is an opportunity for our membership to offer volunteer services to organizations providing vaccination clinics.

### Background

Inspired by the medical responders after the 9/11 attacks and at the direction of President Bush the concept of a Medical Reserve Corps was created. Each state now has an organized cadre of medical and non-medical personnel that can be deployed in disaster situations, such as the need to support mass immunization clinics. In North Carolina, the Office of Emergency Medical Services (NC OEMS) was formed. That office divided the state into various regions. Rotary 7710 is served by three Regional Advisory Committees which are:

CapRAC (Capital Area Regional Advisory Committee) serving Wake, Harnett, Johnston, and Franklin Counties

Duke Coalition Office serving Cashwell, Person, Vance and Durham Counties

Mid Carolina Coalition Office serving Orange, Chatham Counties

The staff in these Offices organize and provide disaster relief in the form of equipment, personnel and other resources necessary to support the local agency primarily responding to the event.

At present, hospital systems and county health departments have limited supplies of vaccines and are sharing them judiciously according to CDC guidelines. There are only a few mass inoculations events taking place. Most are limited and require an appointment. As vaccine supply increases and becomes more predictable, we can expect many more mass inoculations events to be held. As a result, all volunteers medical and non-medical will be needed and welcomed to support existing staff.

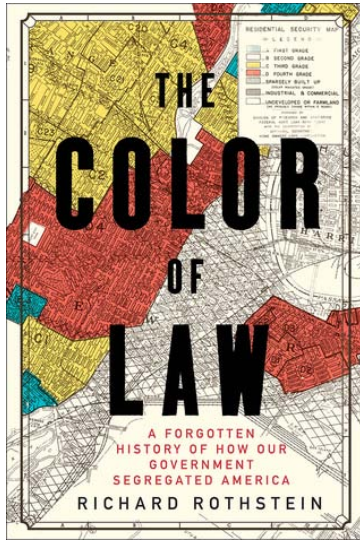
[Read More](#)

## Book Club News!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, January 15, 2021

Our next book club read will be [The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America](#) by Richard Rothstein. For those of you who are Kindle Unlimited subscribers, the Kindle version has been free to download for several months now.

**Wednesday, March 17, 2021 --- 5pm -- 7:30pm**



**The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America**

By: [Richard Rothstein](#)

**Questions: Contact Book Club Host, Kim Rehberg,  
at: [kimberly.rehberg@durhamnc.gov](mailto:kimberly.rehberg@durhamnc.gov)**

## Rotary Zones 33-34 -- Rotary Works

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Monday, February 1, 2021



### Mission

Rotary Works is an initiative provided for Rotarians and Rotaractors within Zones 33 & 34 experiencing career transition. This initiative is comprised of three distinct programs, providing education, networking, and/or financial resources for participants, providing mentorship opportunities for personal and professional development.

### The Project

The first Rotary Works program to launch will be our Career Development Professional Series, which will be offered via Zoom. Each month, beginning December 9<sup>th</sup> at Noon, with an overview of our Series, we will collaborate with business professionals in career development, exchanging ideas and having conversations with experts in their field. These ♦mentors♦ will provide information and inspiration for those in attendance seeking opportunities of self-exploration, self-improvement and ultimately seeking employment or entrepreneurial prospects.

Coming this spring, Zones 33 and 34 will provide a ♦Job Board♦, where you will be able to search for employment opportunities, post open positions, request a mentor, become a mentor, and find valuable and relevant career transition resources.

Finally, we are establishing an Impact Fund designed to assist Rotarians and Rotaractors in Zones 33 and 34, who may have experienced financial stress an opportunity to apply for a one-time grant of \$500.

The potential to help those in need is a top priority for us. More information on these programs will be available after the first of the year.



## Support the Impact Fund

If you're able, please contribute to the Impact Fund, which will provide grants to Rotarians in need due to unanticipated career transition. To contribute to the Impact Fund, make your check out to **Rotary Zones 33-34 Foundation** (Impact Fund in the memo field) and mail to P.O. Box 785, Troy, NC 27371.

[Contribute by Credit Card](#) (a convenience fee is charged)

For More Information: <https://www.rizones33-34.org/rotary-works/>

## Upcoming Events

### Career Development Webinar Series 1 pm -2 pm, 2nd Wednesdays

Click on event links to register:

[Feb. 10, 2021](#) [Building Your Personal Brand](#)

[Mar 10, 2021](#) [Essential Tech Tools for Marketability](#)

[Apr. 14, 2021](#) [So You Want to be Your Own Boss?](#)

[Request a Coach](#)

Engagement opportunities are based on Coaches' availability and you may be placed on a waiting list. You must be an active Rotarian or Rotaractor in Zones 33 or 34 to apply for the Rotary Works Coaching Program.

[Volunteer as a Coach](#)

[Link to Rotary Works Newsletter](#)

[Interested in Joining Rotary?](#)

[Link to Career Transition Resources](#)

[Contacts for Rotary Works](#)

Click on names for email link

Coordinator	<a href="#">Stephanie Urchick</a>
Prof. Dev. Series	<a href="#">Marcy Ullom</a>
Coaching	<a href="#">Steve Agius</a>
Resources	<a href="#">Kim Walden</a>
Job Board	<a href="#">Darryl Keys</a>
Impact Fund	<a href="#">Clenise Platt</a>

## Pending New Member -- John Bruce Buxton (J.B.)

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, January 28, 2021

### PENDING NEW MEMBER

**JOHN BRUCE BUXTON ("J.B.") President**

**Sponsored By: Willis Whichard**

**Induction Date: Monday, 2.8.2021**



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## About John (J.B.) Buxton

J.B. Buxton is the fifth president of Durham Technical Community College.

Buxton is a member of the N.C. State Board of Education, appointed by Gov. Roy Cooper, where he works directly with the community college system on a range of education and workforce-related issues. He has also served as an instructor in the Public Policy Department at UNC-Chapel Hill.

He is the founder and principal of the Education Innovations Group, a consulting practice focused on PreK-12 and postsecondary public education. In that capacity, Buxton has worked with states, foundations, nonprofit organizations and companies focused on improving public K-12 and postsecondary education. Buxton has worked closely with the state's community colleges as far back as 2001 when, as senior education advisor to Gov. Mike Easley, and then as deputy state superintendent of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, he successfully led the state's effort to implement early college high schools across the state. He has also served as a White House Fellow working with the Domestic Policy Council under President Clinton; director of policy and research for the Public School Forum of N.C., and coordinator of special programs for the NC Teaching Fellows Program. He began his career as a high school English teacher and coach in Massachusetts.

Buxton is also active in local and state issues, including service from 2011-15 on the Raleigh Planning Commission and on the board of North Carolina FC Youth, one of the nation's largest youth soccer clubs. Buxton, whose father was a high school teacher, coach and administrator, said he first saw the power of education while spending the summer before his senior year of college in South Africa. Working as a teaching assistant, Buxton encountered students who had left school to fight apartheid and were returning to obtain a degree that they saw as a passport to opportunity. The experience left him convinced of education's ability to support personal growth, individual opportunity and economic mobility. Buxton attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on a Morehead Scholarship, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in English. He received his master's degree in public affairs from the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University.

Buxton and his wife, Hunter, live in Raleigh. They have three children: Drake, a UNC-Chapel Hill graduate; Luke, a current UNC-Chapel Hill student; and Sadie, a student at N.C. State University.

## Get Your Big Fan Signs Today--Croasdaile Satellite Club Fundraiser

By Emilee J Collins on Friday, February 5, 2021

Big Fan Signs Available -- \$15





Show your team pride with a custom made sign made by our Croasdaile Satellite Club in their woodworking shop. They are raising funds for special Rotary projects. Contact Rotarian Richard McCleery to order yours today before the big games! [mccleeryrichard212@gmail.com](mailto:mccleeryrichard212@gmail.com)

### Thank You For Paying Your Dues

By Emilee J Collins on Friday, January 8, 2021



Thank you for paying your **Rotary Dues Invoice**. Treasurer Susan Miller and Secretary Sharon Lassiter have made it possible for us to pay our invoices by credit card which is sure to be a huge convenience for many of us.

This is a first for our club, so **read the email along with the invoice** before moving to the electronic portion of the payment as it offers important details and clarifications about the invoices. It may answer some questions you have.

You may continue to pay your invoice by check and send it to the PO Box that is listed on the invoice.

As a reminder, the Community Chest program is available for members who are unable to meet the obligation for this billing cycle due to hardship. Send your request to Sharon Lassiter.

Thank you for paying as soon as possible, contributing extra to the Solidarity Fund if you are able and for also making the Rotary Foundation a priority in your financial giving.

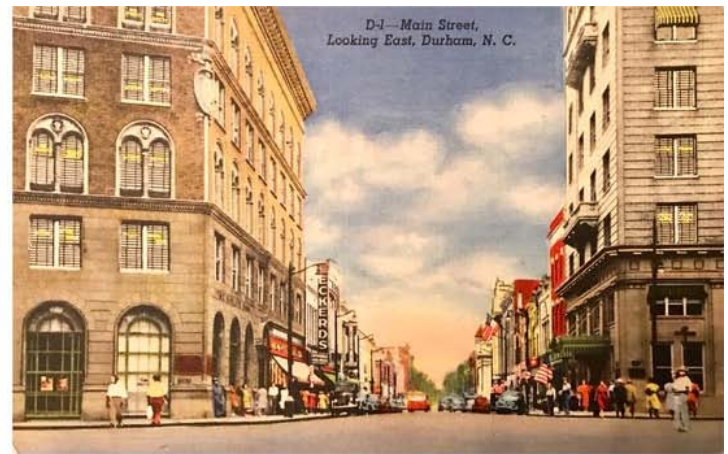
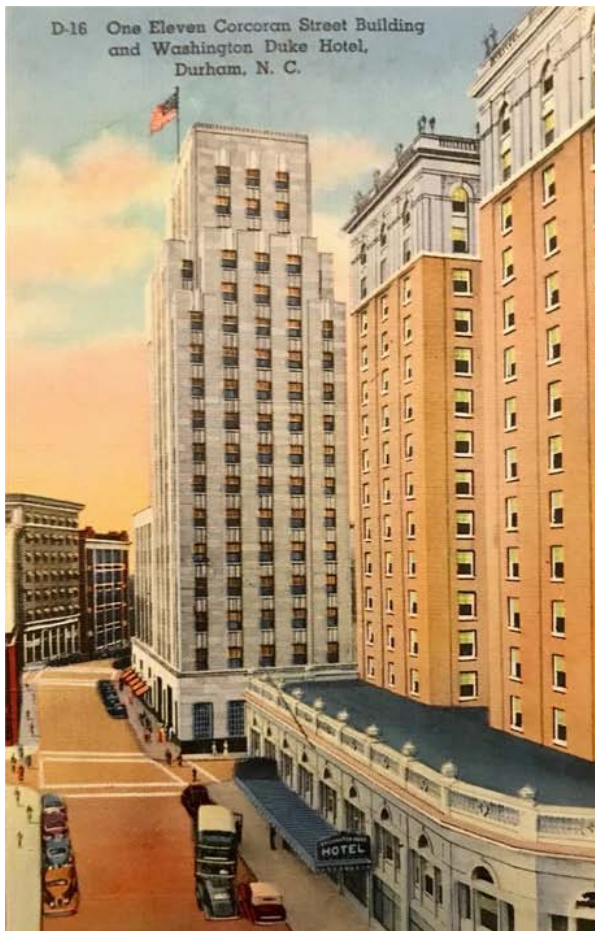
### Rotary Meeting 2.1.2021 Guest Speaker: John Schelp

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, December 4, 2020

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR  
GUEST SPEAKER, JOHN SCHELP  
FOR A WONDERFUL PRESENTATION AT  
OUR FEBRUARY 1, 2021 ROTARY MEETING!**

**Rotary Club of Durham Weekly Meeting  
Monday, February 1, 2020 -- 12:30 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m.  
Guest Speaker: John Schelp  
Presentation Topic: Historic Durham Postcard Collection  
See the Recording of the Meeting on YouTube  
<https://youtu.be/exnKe73Biv0>**







# John Schelp

John served for fifteen years as president of the Old West Durham Neighborhood Association. He was vice-president of the NAACP-Durham branch and the People's Alliance, as well as an early member of the Pauli Murray steering committee. He is a member of the Museum of Durham History's advisory board, the People's Alliance Fund, and the Mayor's Sesquicentennial Commission. He was president of the North Carolina Peace Corps Association, and he served in the Peace Corps and USAID in Congo for seven years. He was an elections observer with President Jimmy Carter in Liberia. John has worked at the National Institutes of Health for more than thirty years. He has a undergraduate degree from St. Lawrence University with a double major in Government and French and a master's degree in Public Administration from UNC-Chapel Hill.

## Reminder: No Weekly Meeting 2.15.2020

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, December 4, 2020

**REMINDER: NO MEETING TODAY**  
**In Observance of The President's Day Holiday**



## Birthdays



[Mark T. Higgins](#)  
February 5th



[Martin W. Morris](#)  
February 10th



[Jason C. Hall](#)  
February 11th



[Joe Webster](#)  
February 12th



[Kim Shaw](#)  
February 12th



[Peter T. Denton Jr.](#)  
February 14th



[Liz McFarlane](#)  
February 16th



[Emilee J. Collins](#)  
February 17th



[John Blanton](#)  
February 19th



[Ellen Reckhow](#)  
February 19th



[James M. Woodard](#)  
February 20th



[Carlton Koonce](#)  
February 23rd



[Robert J. Stevens](#)  
February 25th



[Anthony S. Brown](#)  
February 28th



[Kenneth W. Lundstrom](#)  
March 1st



[Stephanie Terry](#)  
March 2nd



[Kay P. Gresham](#)  
March 2nd



[Marlon Torres](#)  
March 3rd



[Allen T. Cronenberg](#)  
March 4th



[Matthew Kopac](#)  
March 5th



[Susan Cranford Ross](#)  
March 5th



[John T. Kerr](#)  
March 5th



[Steed Rollins Jr.](#)  
March 6th