



# 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

### March 01, 2021

Rodney Jenkins, Director --  
Durham County Health  
Department

Presentation Topic: COVID-19  
Update and Other Local Health  
Issues

### March 08, 2021

Tim Scales, Director of Growth,  
American Underground

Presentation Topic: American  
Underground History, Covid  
Adaptions, Exciting Things In The  
Pipeline; and Black Founder's  
Exchange.

### March 15, 2021

Amanda Hoyle, Regional Director  
Zonda Advisory  
Triangle/Durham Economic Update

### March 17, 2021

Book Club Host: Kimberly Rehberg  
The Color of Law: A Forgotten  
History of How Our Government  
Segregated America By: Richard  
Rothstein

### March 22, 2021

Caroline Sullivan, Executive  
Director NC Business For Education  
Presentation Topic: Education On  
Work-Based Learning

## Club Leaders



Emilee J. Collins  
President



Indira M. Everett  
President-Elect

Shannon Leskin

Friday, February 26, 2021

## Rotary Meeting 3.1.2021 Guest Speaker: Rod Jenkins, MHA, Public Health Director

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Sunday, January 17, 2021

**Rotary Club of Durham Weekly Meeting**  
**Monday, March 1, 2021 -- 12:30 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m.**

**Guest Speaker: Rod Jenkins, MHA**  
**Public Health Director**

**Durham County Department of Health**

**Presentation Topic: COVID-19 and Other Local Health Issues**



Public Health



## Congratulations To Fellow Rotarian, Arles Taylor, On The Birth Of His New Granddaughter!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, February 23, 2021



Secretary



Elisabeth Harper Wiener  
Vice President



Susan R. Miller  
Treasurer



Marie Baker  
Club Director



Erik Benson  
Club Director



Craig Brown  
Club Director



Robinson O. Everett Jr.  
Club Director



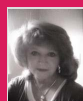
Ralph L. Haynes  
Club Director



Emily K. Hill  
Club Director



Jennifer Levine  
Club Director



Kim Shaw  
Club Director



Geraud Staton  
President-Nominee



Robert L. Wiley III  
Club Director

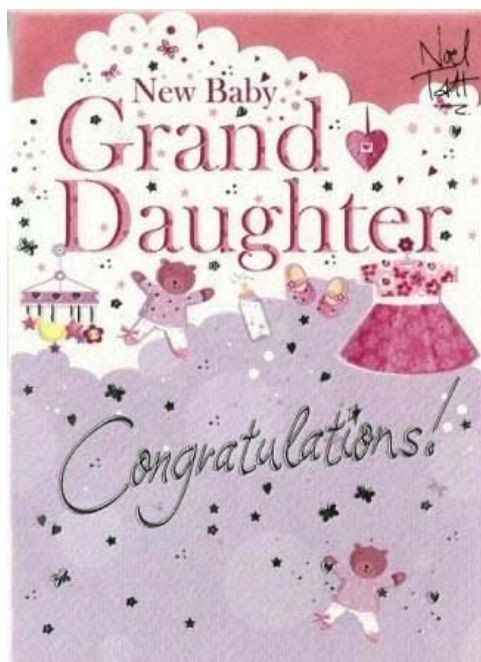


Robert T. Cadwallader Jr.  
Membership Chair



Hugh Wade Gresham Jr.  
Rotary Foundation Chair

Kay P. Gresham



**CONGRATULATIONS TO FELLOW ROTARIAN,  
ARLES TAYLOR,  
ON THE BIRTH OF HIS NEW GRANDDAUGHTER,  
CHLOE TAYLOR!!**

**CHLOE TAYLOR, BORN TO ARLES' SON AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW,  
AARON AND SARAH, ON FEBRUARY 6, 2021.**

**GRANDPARENTS, ARLES AND WIFE, DOTTIE, COULD NOT BE  
HAPPIER TO WELCOME THEIR NEW GRANDDAUGHTER  
TO THEIR FAMILY!!**

**AARON, SARAH AND CHLOE RESIDE IN TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA.  
CONGRATULATIONS TO ARLES AND DOTTIE AND THEIR FAMILY!**



Rotary Foundation Chair



Lauren Phillips  
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Club Fellowship Chair



John J. Zenner III  
Club Photographer



Todd E. Taylor  
iPast President



Sharon Kay Lassiter  
Club Executive Secretary



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Past District Governor

Jeff Blass



## Real Stories - Real People In The Spotlight -- Fellow Rotarian, Honorary Member John Kerr

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, February 23, 2021

**HONORARY ROTARIAN, JOHN THOMAS KERR, III**  
**MEMBER OF**  
**THE ROTARY CLUB OF DURHAM SINCE JULY 1, 1969**





Asst Governor



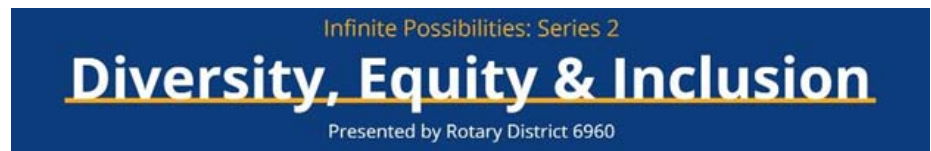
## JOHN THOMAS KERR, III March 5, 1925 -- February 18, 2021



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## Infinite Possibilities: Series 2 -- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Presented By Rotary District 6960

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, February 17, 2021



**FABULOUS** and **ENDEARING** are the best descriptions we can offer for our upcoming February 26th Infinite Possibilities Series: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, featuring Past Rotary International President and World Leader Barry Rassin, along with International Speaker Brian Rusch. ♦Embracing Our Differences♦ is the focus of our conversation, as we listen to stories of their personal journeys and life experiences. This conversation will touch your hearts and inspire your spirit to greater service.

This multi-part webinar series offers you the opportunity to hear from very dynamic speakers who will offer vision, encouragement, enthusiasm and motivation to grow your membership. We encourage you to invite not only your fellow Rotarians, but prospective members as well. You can register below for this session, as well as the March and April

events. **Non-Rotarians can register at:** [rizoness33-34.org/infinite-possibilities/](https://rizoness33-34.org/infinite-possibilities/)

**[Register NOW](#) for Infinite Possibilities ♦ Investing in Equity, 1:00 pm EDT March 26, 2021**

- April 30, 2021 ♦ **Celebrate Diversity**, with special guest speakers Rotary International President Holger Knack, Rotary International Director Peter Kyle and Anna Ekbäck.

**[Register NOW](#) for Infinite Possibilities ♦ Celebrate Diversity, 1:00 pm EDT April 30, 2021**

We look forward to seeing you there!

**Darryl Keys**  
Governor, District 6960

**Cyndi Doragh**  
Chair, Infinite Possibilities



## 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:

[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](#)

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

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



**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](#)

## **LET'S GET OUR CELL PHONE NUMBERS UPDATED IN DACDB!!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Monday, February 8, 2021

### **LET'S GET OUR CELL PHONE NUMBERS UPDATED IN DACDB!!**



Please log in to: [www.rotary7710.org](http://www.rotary7710.org) to confirm we have your most up-to-date cellular telephone number on record.

If you are unsure on how to log into the database or need assistance, please reach out to Sharon, at [slassiter38@nc.rr.com](mailto:slassiter38@nc.rr.com).

Or email your cell # to Sharon and she will update your DacDB Profile with your current #. Thank you!

**AND STAY TUNED FOR AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM PRESIDENT EMILEE REGARDING A NEW AND IMPROVED TEXTING FUNCTION THROUGH DACDB! This function will allow us to contact you in cases of emergencies, a weather event, or some other meeting conflict.**

## **Rotary Meeting 2.22.2021 Guest Speaker: Nicole Thompson**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Sunday, January 17, 2021

**We Would Like To Say Thank You To Our  
Guest Speaker on Monday, 2.22.2021,  
Nicole Thompson, Downtown Durham, Inc. CEO  
For Her Presentation On Downtown Durham Update  
And Future Plans**

**[See The Recording of the Meeting on YouTube](#)**





# *Downtown* **DURHAM** Inc. ★ *Find Your Cool* ★

Nicole began her career in economic development while working for the Institute of Minority Economic Development in downtown Durham in the early 90s. Since then, she has worked in economic and community development on the state government, local government and nonprofit/community levels in North Carolina, Virginia and Colorado. She has experience in leading economic development efforts and growth in both rural and urban areas. Nicole joined DDI as its President & CEO in February 2017 and has spent the last four years advocating for responsible and strategic economic growth and development in downtown Durham while also supporting the small, vibrant locally-owned business climate that makes downtown Durham such a unique, attractive asset for the Triangle. Nicole graduated from the University of Richmond with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Urban Studies and received a Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

## Birthdays



[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



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



[Craig Brown](#)  
March 9th



[Ernie C. Mills Jr.](#)  
March 13th



[Ralph Snyderman](#)  
March 13th



[Guy T. Solie](#)  
March 17th



[John Staddon](#)  
March 19th



[Douglas Butler](#)  
March 22nd



[James G. Moseley](#)  
March 24th



[Marie Baker](#)  
March 25th



[Aleksandra Zarzour](#)  
March 26th



[Emily A. Page](#)  
March 27th