



Rotary Club of Durham



Saturday, January 16, 2021

Reminder: No Regular Weekly Rotary Meeting Today, 1.18.2021

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, December 3, 2020

REMINDER: No Regular Weekly Rotary Meeting Monday, January 18, 2021 In Observance of The MLK Holiday



Club Leadership Nominations are Open!

By Emilee J Collins on Friday, January 15, 2021

Leadership Nominations Are Open!



Who?

If you know a Rotary member who is active and is in good standing with our club, and has a passion for seeing our club do more for Durham, our Rotary district, and the world of Rotary, ask if you can nominate them to serve the Downtown club as a board member or officer!

If a club member

- belongs to a club committee
- has been a leader or organizer of Club activities or initiatives
- has participated in RLI with District 7710
- or has otherwise shown a willingness to get involved with Rotary and our club's service
- and they would be an excellent addition to our club's leadership.

What?

- President Nominee (1 year term, become President Elect the next year)
- 3 members for the club Board of Directors (3 year terms)

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

January 25, 2021

Fred Treiber
Topic: Computer Clubhouse Rotary Global Grant Project

February 01, 2021

John Schelp
Presentation Topic: Historic Durham Postcard Collection

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

Club Leaders



Emilee J Collins
President



Indira M. Everett
President-Elect



Shannon Leskin
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
Rotary Foundation Chair



Lauren Phillips
Sergeant-at-Arms



Tom Bagby
Club Photographer



Barry C. Curtis
Club Finance Advisor



Steed Rollins Jr.
Club Programs Chair



Meg Solera
Club Fellowship Chair



John J. Zenner III
Club Photographer



Todd E. Taylor
iPast President

Sharon Kay Lassiter

Vice President (1 year term)

- Secretary (1 year term)
- Treasurer (1 year term)

How?

- Use the nomination form [2021 2022 Club Leadership Nomination Form](#) either on paper, or online to submit your nominee for one of these positions in our Club. Nominations are presented to the Club Secretary.

When?

- Nomination Forms are due 01/29/2021. Return completed forms to Sharon Lassiter at Slassiter38@nc.rr.com. Nominees will be reviewed by Executive Committee/Past Presidents Chair/Governance by 02/05/2021. Nominees will be presented to the Club 02/06/2021 - 02/20/2021. **The Club will Vote on the 2021-2022 officers Monday, 02/22/2021 at its Zoom Meeting.**

Volunteer Opportunities on MLK Day of Service!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, January 15, 2021



ROTARY CLUB OF DURHAM ROTARIANS NEEDED!! MLK DAY OF SERVICE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (Information Is Listed Below)

Volunteer Opportunity -- MLK Day of Service 1.18.2021!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, January 14, 2021

COME GET YOUR
FREE
SAFE & HEALTHY
HOME KIT*



*while supplies last. One kit per household.

Monday
January 18

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
(first come, first served)

Making Homes Safer in
Durham, NC



-  FIRST-AID KIT
-  WEATHER ALERT RADIO
-  SMOKE ALARM
-  MOISTURE ABSORBER
-  LED NIGHT LIGHT

Yates Baptist Church
2819 Chapel Hill Road
Durham, NC 27707

Spectrum

The Triangle
Nonprofit &
Volunteer
Leadership Center

This Safe & Healthy Home Kit distribution is brought to you by Spectrum, in partnership with Rebuilding Together. Rebuilding Together, a national nonprofit that provides critical home repairs to its neighbors in need and revitalizes communities, developed the kits to help make your home safer and healthier.

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT: corporate.charter.com/community-impact | rebuildingtogether.org



Club Executive Secretary



Newman C. Aguiar
Past District Governor



Jeff Blass
Asst Governor

**4 VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
FROM 11:30 A.M. --- 1:00 P.M. TO SET UP**

**AN ADDITIONAL 4-6 VOLUNTEERS
ARE NEEDED TO HELP DIRECT TRAFFIC
AND ASSIST IN DISTRIBUTIONS
FROM 1:00 P.M. --- 3:00 P.M.**

**PLEASE CONTACT ROTARIAN, KIM SHAW,
IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE
AND WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER
FOR THIS EVENT!!**

KIM CAN BE REACHED AT: kim@thevolunteercenter.org

Volunteer Opportunity -- MLK Day of Service -- 1.18.2021!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, January 13, 2021



MLK DAY OF SERVICE LITTER CLEANUP OF ELLERBE CREEK

Where: 700 W. Markham Avenue at Rand Street Bioretention

When: **January 18, 2021 @ 1-3 PM**

What: We will be cleaning up litter at various points along Ellerbe Creek. All tools will be provided. Please bring a mask, your own water bottle if needed, wear closed toed shoes or waterproof boots and dress for the weather.

If you have any questions, please email:

info@keepdurhambeautiful.org or call Joanne Andrews at 919-949-6362.

You may also contact Fellow Rotarian, Jenny Levine, with any questions.

Jenny can be reached at: jenny.levine@gmail.com

Vaccinate Durham

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, January 15, 2021

THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC EFFECTS IN DURHAM



Durham and the whole world are suffering from a very contagious disease

that is overwhelming hospitals and killing people. White members of our community are suffering, but people of color have been getting sicker and dying with much greater frequency. We must try to protect one another with masks, hand washing and keeping far apart. The vaccines are extremely effective, quite safe, and now arriving. By June, there will be enough for most of us to get vaccinated. If enough of us do so, the Durham epidemic will come to a near sudden stop so that hospitals can go back to basics, schools and business will open, we will be able to worship together, and visit our neighbors.

Now is the time to begin our mutual sharing of information.

LET'S GO THE LAST MILE TOGETHER.

Friends of Durham have created this website as a way for Durham organizations to harness the power of our memberships to share information about getting the vaccine. No one organization or group has to do this work alone. The time has come for us take that last step.

Let's go this last mile together as a community.

**Visit: vaccinatedurham.com for more information OR
Contact Fellow Rotarian, Larry Crane at:
xraynet@earthlink.net or 919.475.8191**

DURHAM BULLS & HOLLY SPRINGS SALAMANDERS HOSTING BULK CHICKEN SALES

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Saturday, January 16, 2021



Durham Bulls & Holly Springs Salamanders Hosting Bulk Chicken Sales

The Durham Bulls and Holly Springs Salamanders are hosting bulk sales of Mountaire Farms Chicken Wednesday, January 20 in Holly Springs at Ting Park and Wednesday, January 27 in Durham, offering large discounted prices on 40-pound cases of fresh chicken breasts and drumsticks.

- If you wish to purchase a case to be donated to Urban Ministries of Durham, a proud partner of United Way of the Greater Triangle, you may do so by selecting "Donation".
- Tax is included in pricing.
- All orders must be picked up at scheduled times on Wednesday, January 20

(Holly Springs) and Wednesday, January 27 (Durham) between 7:00am and 4:00pm.

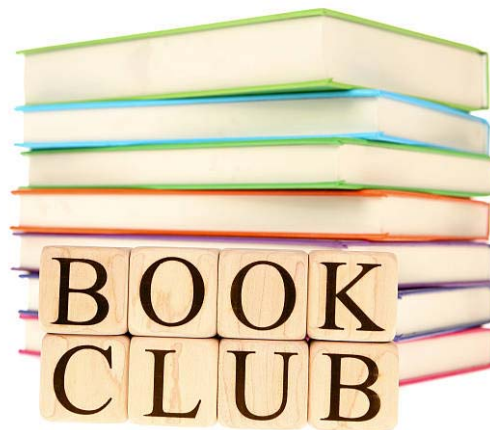
- When ordering online, select a time frame when you will pick up your order.
- Both locations will offer safe, socially distanced drive-thru pickup: bring your order confirmation with you, drive up to the designation location, open your trunk and your order will be placed in your trunk by a front office member, who will be wearing a face covering and gloves.
- If you do not pick up your order on your designated day and time, you will forfeit your order and there will be no refund.

For more information, including links to purchase chicken, go to <https://www.milb.com/durham/events/chicken-sales>.

Book Club News!

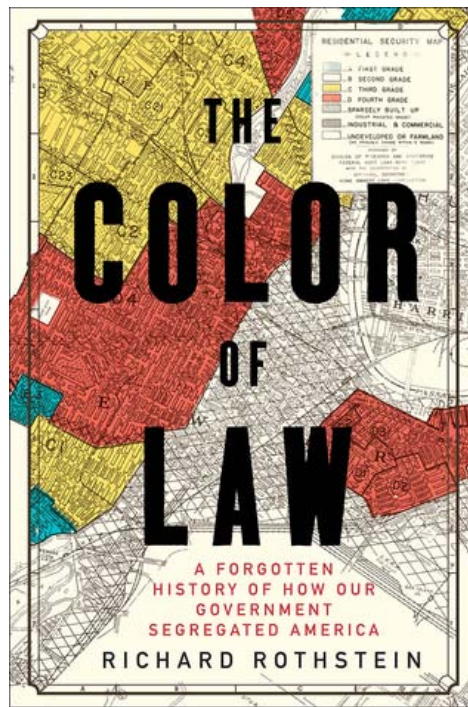
By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, January 15, 2021

ROTARY CLUB OF DURHAM BOOK CLUB NEWS!!



Thanks to everyone who participated in our discussion of Caste! The conversation was so rich and spirited, and folks had so many thoughts and feelings to share on the topic that we didn't even need a discussion guide to get us talking or keep us focused!

Our next tackle 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.



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

By: [Richard Rothstein](#)

In this groundbreaking history of the modern American metropolis, Richard Rothstein, a leading authority on housing policy, explodes the myth that America's cities came to be racially divided through de facto segregation—that is, through individual prejudices, income differences, or the actions of private institutions like banks and real estate agencies. Rather, *The Color of Law* incontrovertibly makes clear that it was de jure segregation—the laws and policy decisions passed by local, state, and federal governments—that actually promoted the discriminatory patterns that continue to this day.

Through extraordinary revelations and extensive research that Ta-Nehisi Coates has lauded as "brilliant" (*The Atlantic*), Rothstein comes to chronicle nothing less than an untold story that begins in the 1920s, showing how this process of de jure segregation began with explicit racial zoning, as millions of African Americans moved in a great historical migration from the south to the north.

As Jane Jacobs established in her classic *The Death and Life of Great American Cities*, it was the deeply flawed urban planning of the 1950s that created many of the impoverished neighborhoods we know. Now, Rothstein expands our understanding of this history, showing how government policies led to the creation of officially segregated public housing and the demolition of previously integrated neighborhoods. While urban areas rapidly deteriorated, the great American suburbanization of the post-World War II years was spurred on by federal subsidies for builders on the condition that no homes be sold to African Americans. Finally, Rothstein shows how police and prosecutors brutally upheld these standards by supporting violent resistance to black families in white neighborhoods.

The Fair Housing Act of 1968 prohibited future discrimination but did nothing to reverse residential patterns that had become deeply embedded. Yet recent outbursts of violence in cities like Baltimore, Ferguson, and Minneapolis show us precisely how the legacy of these earlier eras contributes to persistent racial unrest. ♦The American landscape will never look the same to readers of this important book ♦ (Sherrilyn Ifill, president of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund), as Rothstein's invaluable examination shows that only by relearning this history can we finally pave the way for the nation to remedy its unconstitutional past.

A Poll will be sent out in the next week or so to schedule a

date for our next Book Club Gathering!

**Questions: Contact Book Club Host, Kim Rehberg,
at: kimberly.rehberg@durhamnc.gov**

Electronic Dues Billing is Now Available

By Emilee J Collins on Friday, January 8, 2021



Be sure to check your email for your most recent **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.

Reminder: Rotary Club of Durham Board of Directors, Officers & Committee Chairs Meeting

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, January 8, 2021

REMINDER



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING

**TO: THE ROTARY CLUB OF DURHAM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS
BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021 --- BEGINNING AT 11:A.M.
ZOOM LINK WILL BE PROVIDED**

**Rotary Meeting 1.11.2021 Guest Speaker: Anthony Banbury,
IFES President & CEO**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

**A HUGE THANKS
TO OUR GUEST SPEAKER,
MR. ANTHONY BANBURY, IFES President & CEO
FOR HIS TIMELY PRESENTATION TOPIC
ON DEMOCRACY AT OUR JANUARY 11, 2021
WEEKLY ROTARY MEETING!!
CLICK HERE TO VIEW TODAY'S MEETING:
<https://youtu.be/T4O4Vgt3DZ4>**



[Read More](#)

Rotary Meeting 1.25.2021 Guest Speaker: Fred Treiber

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, December 4, 2020

**Rotary Club of Durham Weekly Rotary Meeting
Monday, January 25, 2020 -- 12:30 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m.
Guest Speaker: Minnesota District 5960 Rotarian, Fred Treiber
Presentation Topic: Computer Clubhouse Rotary Global Grant Project**



Fred grew up on Long Island, New York. He and his wife, Stella have been married for 46 years. Fred joined Rotary 30 years ago and has embraced the belief in Service Above Self. Getting involved means you get to know other Rotarians. Fred started out with You Exchange and over the years, Fred and Stella have hosted six Exchange Students, including one student from Thailand. Fred has been involved in projects all around the world, attended conventions, and enjoys working on the International Committee.

Fred is a Member of The White Bear Lake Rotary Club. His Rotary Global Grant Project is a "Computer Clubhouse" in Costa Rica. There are currently over 100 such organizations around the world -- in 20 different countries. The goal of a Computer Clubhouse is to let disadvantaged young people become not only consumers of technology but creators of technology. Each is a "village" that allows kids to connect not only to technology but to

each other. This concept was born in Boston as a collaboration between The Boston Museum of Science and MIT. Fred's organization will be in The Perez Zeledon Center, in Costa Rica.

[Read More](#)

Birthdays



[Pascal Mubenga](#)
January 16th



[Geri Lail](#)
January 16th



[Kurt Preble](#)
January 18th



[Almasa Bass](#)
January 20th



[Robert A. Gutman](#)
January 23rd



[Tammy Kay Baggett](#)
January 25th



[Meg Solera](#)
January 25th



[Sharon Kay Lassiter](#)
January 25th



[Mercer Stanfield](#)
January 26th



[William Toland Barfield Jr.](#)
January 28th



[Lauren Phillips](#)
January 29th



[Elizabeth Pritchett](#)
January 30th



[Carl Chrisman Evans](#)
January 31st



[Michael J. Kriston](#)
February 1st



[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