



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

December 14, 2020
The Reverend Dr. William Willimon
Re: Holiday Message

December 14, 2020
Host: Lauren Phillips
Durham Rotary Club 2020 Happy
Hour Grand Finale Extravaganza!

December 21, 2020
Reminder: No Regular Weekly
Rotary Meeting Today!
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Rotary Meeting Today! But DON'T
FORGET To Join Us At 12:30 In
Front of DPAC -- Vivian Street
Downtown Durham For Our
CRUISIN' ROTARY STYLE EVENT
TODAY!!!

December 21, 2020
Rotary Club of Durham
Holiday Hello By CRUIZIN' Rotary
Style!!

December 28, 2020
Reminder: No Regular Weekly
Rotary Meeting Today, 12.28.2020
In Observance of The New Year's
Holiday

January 04, 2021
Jenifer Hill, Executive Director --
Circular Triangle
Circular Triangle

Club Leaders



Emilee J. Collins
President



Indira M. Everett
President-Elect

Shannon Leskin

Friday, December 11, 2020

Rotary Meeting 12.14.2020 Guest Speaker: The Reverend Dr. William Willimon

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

**We Hope You Will Make Plans To Join Us
For Our Weekly Rotary Meeting!
December 14, 2020 -- 12:30 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m.
Guest Speaker: The Reverend Dr. William Willimon
Professor of The Practice of Christian Ministry**



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Durham Rotary 2020 Happy Hour Grand Finale Extravaganza!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, December 9, 2020

**ROTARY CLUB OF DURHAM
2020 HAPPY HOUR GRAND FINALE EXTRAVAGANZA!**





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COME OUT AND SUPPORT FELLOW ROTARIAN, LISA CALLAGHAN



Monday, December 14, 2020 -- 4:30 p.m.
PLUM SOUTHERN KITCHEN AND BAR
501 Washington Street -- Durham 27701

Question: Contact Lauren Phillips --- lauren@durhammag.com 203.233.5912
ALL SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES AND GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED.

Meet Lisa Callaghan, the woman behind Plum.

If your personality were a meal, what would it be?

A fried piece of chicken thigh, or the leg-thigh connection. It has to be bone-in. A simple salad with slightly pickled carrots, cucumber, fresh tomatoes. With a light vinaigrette dressing. Rice. And gravy, of course.

What were your family's food traditions?

A lot of vegetables because of my grandmother's garden. She put up beans, tomatoes, pickles, jellies, jams, chutneys, chow-chow. You know, just everything. Then there was a slow-roasted pork shoulder. That was Sunday dinner at my grandparents'. Quick pickles topped with ice cubes came out about an hour ahead. All the kids would eat cucumbers off the table before dinner. Dinner was in the middle of the day, and supper was in the evening. Supper would be like, a piece of toast and some ham. This and that.

What food brings you the most joy?

Dessert. I have to say a good piece of fruit pie just makes my heart sing.

What was it like growing up with Kevin as your younger brother?

Well, my older brother and I did not get along. So I had this ally in my younger brother [Kevin] which was great. And I have to brag on him he was always super smart. Even when he was a little toddler! I remember once, a picture of the White House came on the TV. He was not even two years old, and I asked "Do you know who lives there?" And he said, "The president," very matter of factly. And I mean, he still had diapers on! I remember my jaw dropping and just thinking "My gosh, how did he learn that already?"

Who is your greatest inspiration behind the restaurant?

I would say my grandma and my mom. My mom was a great cook. But my grandmother, when she was old, would say she was so proud of me for studying economics. She said, "If I was your age, I would go into a business. I would probably go into a food business." I think about that often these days. Long after



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she died, when I was in New York, I would have dreams about her. She always told me I was her favorite granddaughter, and I would think 💎Wow, the feeling is mutual!💎

How did you know Plum's roots were meant to be in Durham?

They just💎were. I feel so fortunate to have found the right place. Durham is the perfect community to me. I💎m close by to my brother, but our restaurants won💎t be right on top of each other. I💎ve found my crew. Durham is a very progressive community where I feel like I can, and Plum can, make a real impact. And I hope we do.

Holiday Hello Cruisin' Rotary Style! Monday, 12.21.2020

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, December 1, 2020

HOLIDAY HELLO CRUISIN' ROTARY STYLE!! DECEMBER 21 12:30-1:30PM

Dear Rotary Club of Durham! We miss you -- and we want to see you for our Holiday Hello on a Rotary "Cruise!" Join us for a "cruise" by The Durham Performing Arts Center (DPAC), at 123 Vivian Street, Durham.



We also welcome you to stroll by and chat for a few minutes, we would LOVE that (we will, of course, have masks, respect social distances and crowd sizes.) Just think of this time together as a normal meeting in an unusual way for unusual times!

Dress yourself and/or your car FESTIVELY!

WE WILL HAVE 3 BUCKETS FOR YOUR GIVING:

CART BUCKET

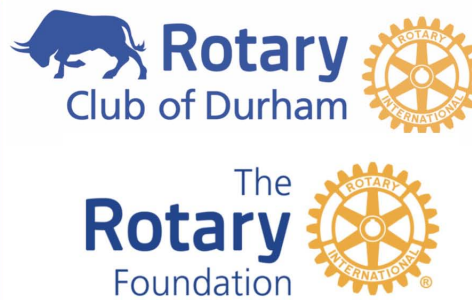
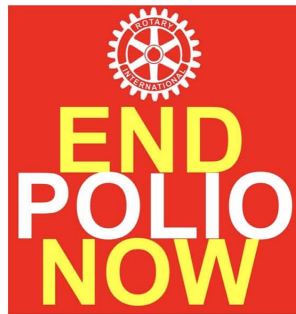


NON-PROFIT SUPPORT BUCKET

(We will take everything collected and share with our member Non-Profits)



FOUNDATION, 2ND CENTURY & POLIO BUCKET



Drive by and see some of your Board Members (see if you still recognize them!) Toss some coins, checks, gold bullion, Bitcoin--anything you can spare, into one or all of the Buckets listed above. Take good aim! And, since you're already in Downtown Durham, why not **PARK & SHOP** some of the local merchants?! Maybe grab a Rotary Buddy, buy lunch and have a time of fellowship -- albeit socially-distanced.

The main purpose for this different type of "Cruise" is to connect again, even in a small way, stop by, drive by, or stroll by. The coin toss is optional and hopefully a fun "reason" to show up. Rotarians love to help and contribute, so the opportunity is there, but really, **we just want everyone to know we still exist, we still care, we still do great things as a group, and yes, at times, we can have some fun and be silly and get out of the house.**

We suspect many of you remember "Cruisin" --- **LET'S DO IT ROTARY STYLE!!** It will be great to **SEE YOU!!**

This just in: Our Friends at the Bulls are offering a 20% discount in the Bulls Store.

The code to shop online (<https://durhambulls.milbstore.com/>) is **bullsrotary** and it is good between 6am on 21 Dec till midnight 23 Dec. Need that last minute gift, Bulls stuff is perfect.



QUESTIONS: Contact President Emilee, Immediate Past-President, Todd, or Sharon!

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Please Donate TODAY to Second Century Fund

By Emilee J Collins on Friday, November 20, 2020

Dear Generous Rotarians,

I'm asking you to Give Big to support our **Second Century Fund**, which is our Donor Advised Fund of Rotary International that funds the projects that we hold dear--Literacy and Digital Equity Programs in Durham and Worldwide, Local Grants for Alzheimer's CareGivers Support, and Green Initiatives in the Community.

Remember Immediate Past President Todd talking about the **No Bull/Noble Campaign?** This is the SAME fund that we created and have supported since our 2016 Centennial Year. We raised \$29,708 for RY 2019-2020. **Our goal for this Rotary year is \$20,000! We raised around \$3,200 so far!** Let's blow the goal out of this 2020 year!

We are using the Mighty Cause fundraising platform that we also used during the Talent Show earlier this year.



Click here to briefly describe your fundraiser.

\$2,725

RAISED BY 13 PEOPLE

\$20,000 GOAL

7 MONTHS LEFT

DONATE



[Click here to start your donation: Second Century Fund](#)

You will have a choice of covering card processing fees so you can make the greatest impact on our fundraising efforts. **If you would like to donate with a check, please make the check payable to The Rotary Foundation and write "Second Century Fund" in the memo line. You can mail your check to Rotary Club of Durham, PO Box 51572, Durham, NC 27717.**

Thank you for your generosity and helping us continue The Rotary Club of Durham's good work in the years to come.

***Yours In Service,
President Emilee***

Paul Harris Awards--Indira Everett & Elisabeth Wiener

By Emilee J Collins on Friday, December 11, 2020

Many thanks to Indira Everett & Elisabeth Wiener for their commitment to The Rotary International Foundation. They are making a difference around the world.



The mission of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

What impact can one donation have?

- For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.
- \$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.
- \$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

MID-ATLANTIC RLI IS BACK IN BUSINESS!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Monday, November 23, 2020

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE IS BACK~ SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR OUR MEMBERS TO ATTEND



Lock-down ♦ pandemic ♦ covid ♦ we are all familiar with the various reasons why, sadly, we haven't been able to see each other, shake hands or get a hug. But while this year has been a rough one globally, Rotarians have responded with their time, treasure and talent ♦ putting on zoom and hybrid meetings as well as starting several new e-clubs so the work and dialogue can continue. Now, Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) in-person events are coming back, of course, with all the necessary precautions to make it a great time and keep us safe.

Our first event of the Rotary year will be **RLI Clayton on January 30, 2021**, to be at the Johnston County Workforce Development Center held from 8:15 am (for registration) to 4 pm. However, due to the need for social distancing, there are a **limited number of seats**: 20 for Part I and 10 each for Parts II and III.

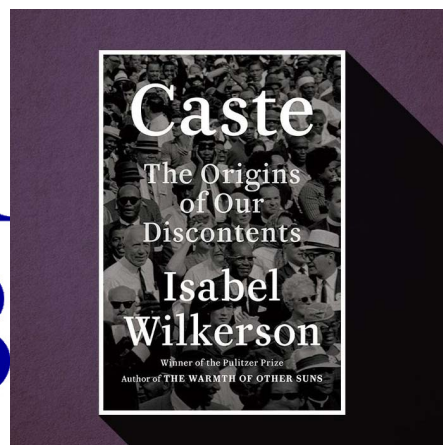
If you want to learn all about Rotary ♦ from ♦ The Roots of Rotary ♦ and ♦ Our Foundation ♦ to ♦ Effective Leadership Strategies ♦, ♦ Creating Service Projects ♦, ♦ Team Building ♦ and more, RLI is for you! Start the journey with Part I, continue it with Part II, or complete it with Part III. Wherever you are in it, you are bound to make new friends and leave fired up about being a Rotarian! So come join us in Clayton and find your passion in Rotary. **REGISTER NOW**. Go to rli33.org, and click on the RLI Clayton, NC coming event on the left side of the home page. Check out the fun below!

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Durham Rotary January 13, 2021 Book Club

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Monday, November 9, 2020

BOOK CLUB



Many thanks to those who have joined in one or both of our first two Virtual Book

Club Meetings! We have had very illuminating and candid discussions thus far and we believe helpful to those of us who have connected over these books as we emotionally and intellectually navigate some of the events happening in our country right now.

Our next Durham Rotary Book Club Meeting will be Wednesday, January 13, 2021, from 7:00pm -- 8:30pm.

We hope you will join us for what we are sure will be a fascinating conversation. Please spread the word to our fellow Rotarians. It would be wonderful to see our ranks grow.

Questions: Please Contact Book Club Host, Kimberly Rehberg, at: kimberly.rehberg@durhamnc.gov or at: 919.354.2716 or at: 919.560.4158, Extension: 13246.

Weekly Rotary Meeting 12.7.2020 Guest Speaker: Harrison Bolton, Bee Downtown

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, November 20, 2020

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO BEEKEEPER, HARRISON BOLTON,
WITH BEE DOWNTOWN
FOR AN INFORMATIVE PRESENTATION
AT OUR WEEKLY ROTARY MEETING
ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020!!**

[Watch the YouTube recording of the meeting!](#)



Bee Downtown installs and maintains beehives on corporate campuses in urban areas to help rebuild healthy honey bee populations while simultaneously providing turn key year-round employee engagement and leadership development programming to our partners. Our unique approach to onsite leadership development, paired with continuous specialized engagement throughout the year, has generated quite the buzz on many of the largest corporate campuses in the United States including Delta, AT&T, Chick-Fil-A, Burt's Bees, SAS, Invesco, Georgia Power and more.

Birthdays

[Bhabesh C. Dash](#)

[Erik Benson](#)

[Scott Warren](#)

[Frank Perry](#)



December 11th



December 12th



December 13th



December 14th



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December 17th



[David Tulloch Durack](#)
December 18th



[Sam R. Miglarese](#)
December 18th



[Sarah Parker](#)
December 20th



[Alfred B. Strayhorn](#)
December 20th



[Ralph L. Haynes](#)
December 23rd



[Peter Haley Morcombe](#)
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[Peter deGreeff Jacobi](#)
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December 29th



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December 30th



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January 1st



[Yvette B. West](#)
January 1st



[Nancy Marks](#)
January 8th



[M. Lee Barnes Jr.](#)
January 8th



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[Ari Medoff](#)
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