



Rotary Club of Durham



Friday, December 18, 2020

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.



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 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 21, 2020
Host: Lauren Phillips
Durham Rotary Club 2020 Happy
Hour Grand Finale Extravaganza!

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

January 11, 2021
Anthony Banbury, IFES President
& CEO
Presentation Topic: Democracy

January 13, 2021
Host: Kimberly Rehberg
Durham Rotary Club -- January
2021 Book Club Availability Dates
To Be Announced!

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Club Finance Advisor

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)



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Tammie Sellman
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Sharon Kay Lassiter
Club Executive Secretary



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Jeff Blass
Asst Governor



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!!**

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

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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!

RESCHEDULED FOR NEXT MONDAY, 12.21.2020!!

We Hope You Will Make Plans To Join Us!!

HAPPY HOUR

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 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.

Pending New Member -- AUSTIN ARMSTRONG

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, December 16, 2020

PENDING NEW MEMBER

AUSTIN ARMSTRONG

Sponsored By: President Emilee Collins

Induction Date: January 4, 2021



Austin Armstrong has been doing digital marketing for about 14 years, starting back on the Myspace platform. Austin is currently the project manager and video marketing strategist for TherapyCable.com, an online therapy, and mental health video hub, and marketing project manager for Beginnings Treatment Centers. Austin has extensive experience and knowledge working in the healthcare industry helping individuals and companies grow their online presence in order to generate brand awareness, customers, and product sales. Austin has currently: - Helped produce over 800 videos and counting - Worked with many different industries such as: Addiction Treatment, Psychology, Therapy, Event Coverage, Music Videos, etc ♦ "My biggest belief in life is that with a constantly positive outlook, you can and will always find success, even through failures."

WELCOME NEW MEMBER, WANDA S. PAGE!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Saturday, November 21, 2020

Rotary Club of Durham

Welcomes New Member

WANDA S. PAGE

City of Durham -- Interim City Manager

Sponsored By: Chief C. J. Davis

Induction Date: 12.14.2020



WELCOME, WANDA!!

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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.

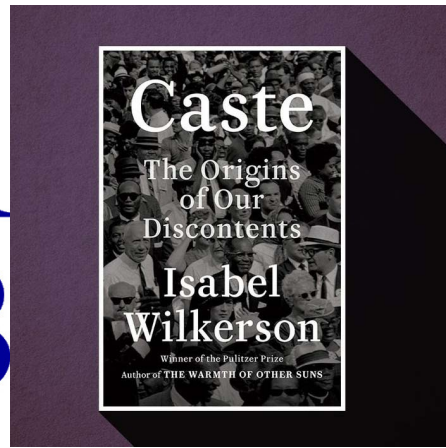
If you want to learn all about Rotary ♦ from ♦ The Roots of Rotary ♦ and ♦ Our Foundation ♦ to ♦ Effective Leadership Strategies ♦, ♦ Creating Service Projects ♦, ♦ Team Building ♦ and more, RLI is for you! Start the journey with Part I, continue it with Part II, or complete it with Part III. Wherever 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!

[Read More](#)

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.

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

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

The Rotary Club of Durham's Guest Speaker For Our Weekly Rotary Meeting On Monday, December 14, 2020, Was The Reverend Dr. William Willimon, Professor of The Practice of Christian Ministry.

[See the Recording on YouTube here!](#)

Dr. Willimon's Presentation Topic On Aging Was Very Intriguing -- And We Thank Him For Presenting and Joining Us!



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Birthdays



[David Tulloch Durack](#)
December 18th



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



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December 24th



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