



*Welcome
Fellow Rotarians
The Rotary Club
at Town Center
Is Celebrating
Racing
Day!*





Meet Our Speaker *Rotarian* *Sigur Whitaker*

She is an author and an amazing geneologist (with good reason to follow it through)!

Since her “liberation” six years ago from a 35-year banking career, Sigur has written and published four non-fiction books with a fifth one debuting last October. She has also traced her family history on both sides back to 800 A.D. and discovered among her family seven signers of the Magna Carta and ties to William the Conquerer.

Curiosity about her great-great uncle Jim Allison led to Sigur's first book in 2011, a biography focused on the entrepreneurial co-founder of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Her second and third books also related to the speedway's history while her fourth one chronicled the history of Christ & St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Her fifth book is about the Indianapolis automobile industry, which once rivaled that of Detroit. She explained how the Indianapolis Motor Speedway has influenced the American automobile when she was Rotary Club of Norfolk's August 1 speaker,

Sigur grew up in Indianapolis where her dad was a traveling salesman and her mom worked in accounting at a manufacturer of products such as Easter egg dye and shoe polish -- leaving Sigur and her older brother Joel to always have shiny shoes and colored eggs as children. At age 10 while accompanying her family on her brother's pre-college visits she vowed to attend the University of North Carolina where her father, grandfather and great-grandfather graduated and a great-aunt was a trustee. Graduating from UNC with a sociology degree, she worked with abused children for four years before returning to UNC for a masters degree in business.

After graduation she joined First Union Bank in Charlotte, North Carolina and continued her career with banks in Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Tallahassee before moving to Norfolk 24 years ago to work as a credit officer with what is now SunTrust Bank. Not knowing anyone in Norfolk, Sigur never intended to

make the city her permanent home. Then she got involved in her community. She joined Christ & St. Luke's where she met Rotarian George Curtis, who invited her to a Rotary Club of Norfolk meeting. In 1999 she joined the club where she enjoys "community service, fellowship and the speakers. I learn something new almost every time," says Sigur, In 2014-15 she served as club president and led the club into a Rotary International innovative and flexible club pilot project. Sigur currently oversees the club's website, edits the Rotations e-newsletter and coordinates the September 22 and 23 Rotary District Conference.

In her free time, Sigur takes improv comedy classes and performs in Push Comedy Theater shows, plays bridge, quilts, takes classes at The Muse Writers Center, works in her yard in Larchmont, does water aerobics and enjoys being with her dog Abby. A soprano, she sings in the Christ & St. Luke's choir and has traveled to England with the choir to sing at cathedrals there. Sigur's love of travel, has led her to all 50 states plus much of Europe, Canada, New Zealand and Australia.













The Four Way Test

To Encourage International Understanding and Peace,
And of the Things We Think, Say and Do:

1. Is it the **Truth**?
2. Is it **Fair** to All Concerned?
3. Will it **Build Goodwill** and **Better Friendships**?
4. Will it be **Beneficial** to All Concerned?

- And . . . It Can be FUN! -

What activities do you suggest to engage our club members for the next Rotary year?

Consider our motto: "Service Above Self"

Please email your suggestions to
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or

Warren Stewart (Warren.a.stewart@gmail.com)

We want you to have a major input
into our future programs

Thank you for your attention

Our vocations allow us to help other people live better, safer, and healthier lives

It's the work we do in Rotary

Through our vocations in our clubs, in our communities, and across continents, we are touching the lives of people we don't know and might never meet. In every part of the world, every single day, whether they know it or not, people are living better, safer, and healthier lives because of the work of Rotary.

The people we help might not have met a single Rotarian. They might not even know that Rotary exists. But they are drinking clean water from a bore well that Rotary dug. They're learning to read with books that Rotary gave them. They're living lives that are better, happier, and healthier.

All This - Because of Rotary Service to Humanity

-paraphrased from John F. Germ, Rotary International President, 2016 / 2017



Area Clubs For Make-Up

Cape Henry <http://www.capehenryrotaryvb.org/>

Wed 7:30 a.m. Virginia Beach Resort Hotel

Virginia Beach <http://vbroatary.com/>

Thu 6:30 p.m. Crowne Plaza Hotel on Bonney Rd.

Virginia Beach Courthouse

Wed 7:30 a.m. Merged with the Cape Henry Club

Chesapeake <http://chesapeake Rotary.org/>

Wed 1:00 p.m. Chesapeake Conference Center

Churchland <http://www.churchlandrotary.org/>

Tues 7:30 a.m. American Legion Hall

Great Bridge <http://www.greatbridgerotaryclub.org/>

Mon 7:30 a.m. Traditions Restaurant, Chesapeake Golf Club

Hampton Roads <http://www.rotaryhamptonroads.org/>

Fri. 7:30 a.m. Holiday Inn, Greenwich Rd, Norfolk

Norfolk <http://rotaryclubofnorfolk.org/>

Tue 12:15 p.m. Norfolk Scope Arena Meeting Room

Norfolk Sunrise <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryNorfolkSunrise/>

Tue 7:30 a.m. Town Point Club

Portsmouth <http://www.portsmouthvarotary.org/>

Thu 12:30 p.m. Holiday Inn - Waterfront

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e-club website: <http://rotaryclubone.org/makeups/howtodoamakeup/>

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