



Rotary Club of Durham



Friday, March 21, 2025

Club Meeting

Durham
Meets at Durham Bulls Athletic Park
PNC Triangle Club -- 3rd Floor 409
Blackwell Street Durham, North
Carolina 27701
Durham Bulls Triangle PNC Club
409 Blackwell Street 3rd Floor
Durham, NC 27707
Time: Monday at 12:30 PM

Events

No Events found

Speakers

March 24, 2025

Fellow Rotarian Sasha Zarzour
Presentation Topic: Caring House
Grows & The Caring Industry

Club Leaders



Robinson O. Everett Jr.
President



Sara S. Stephens
President-Elect



Susan Cranford Ross
Vice President



Robert L. Wiley III
Secretary



Mark Miller
Treasurer



John Cross
Club Director

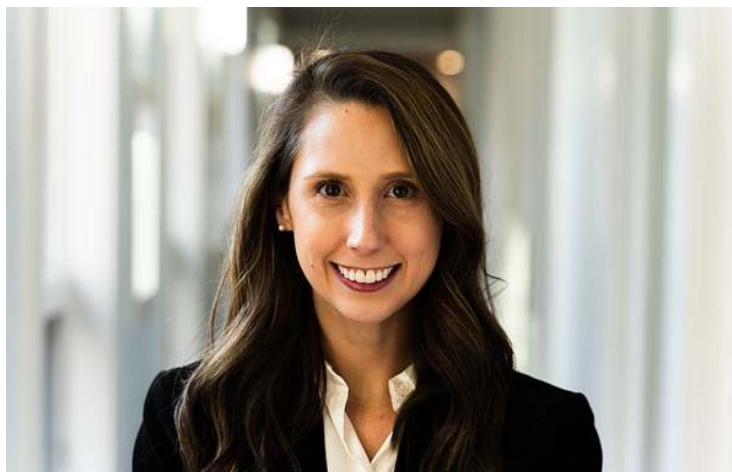


David Tulloch Durack
Club Director

Russell Haddad
Club Director

Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 3.24.2025 Speaker Fellow Rotarian Sasha Zarzour

**DURHAM ROTARY CLUB
WEEKLY ROTARY MEETING
MONDAY, 3.24.2025 --- 12:30PM -- 1:30PM
SPEAKER: FELLOW ROTARIAN, SASHA ZARZOUR
CARING HOUSE
PRESENTATION TOPIC: CARING HOUSE GROWS & THE CARING
INDUSTRY**



**SASHA ZARZOUR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
CARING HOUSE**



Rotary Before Hours + Day of Service 3.17.2025

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT!



Rich Haney
Club Director



Rebecca Anne Johnson
Club Director



Cecily Kalkhof
Public Image Chair
Club Director



Matthew Patrick McDowell
Club Director



Shemecka McNeil
Club Director



Kim Shaw
Club Director



Allison O'Shea
Sergeant-at-Arms



Edward H Pikaart Jr.
Rotary Foundation Chair



Crystal Ellice Taylor
Membership Chair



Elisabeth Harper Wiener
iPast President



Newman C. Aguiar
Past District Governor



A GREAT TIME OF FELLOWSHIP WAS ENJOYED BY ALL!

*Writing Thank You Note Cards To
DPS Bus Drivers -- To Say "Thank You"
For All They Do For Our Durham Community*

ROTARY CLUB OF DURHAM BEFORE HOURS + DAY OF SERVICE

Breakfast & Card Writing

AT

[The Mad Hatter's Cafe and Bakeshop](#)

1802 West Main Street Durham, North Carolina 27705

Monday, March 17 @ 8am









SAVE THE DATE -- GREEN TEAM PROJECT 4.12.2025 -- 10AM -- NOON



**GREEN TEAM PROJECT
4.12.2025
10AM -- NOON**

**QUESTIONS:
PLEASE SEE JENNY LEVINE OR NICHOLE GANTSHAR**



Press Release Re Flags For Heroes

March 11, 2025

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Rotary Club of Durham announces launch of Flags for Heroes 2025

Contact: Cecily Kalkhof
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Durham, NC – The Rotary Club of Durham has announced that the second annual Flags for Heroes project will open to the public today - Tuesday, March 11, 2025. The two Fields of Honor remain located in the heart of HubRTP in Research Triangle Park and will host hundreds of 10-foot American flags – each ready to be adorned with a medallion in honor of a local hero.

“We are thrilled to be able to bring this community partnership back to RTP,” said Rotary Club of Durham President-Elect Sara Stephens. “We are so grateful to the Durham community for its swift and heartfelt response to the opportunity to honor their heroes last year, and now everyone will have the opportunity to build on that success”, she said.

A new website dedicated to the project is unveiled today at <https://www.flagsforheroes-durham.org>.

The site will allow the community to honor their heroes by purchasing flag (s), tell their story on a new “Hero Gallery”, and sign up for volunteer opportunities leading up to the celebration events (see below).

Last year’s Flags for Heroes project raised \$15,000 and delivered donations to local organizations dedicated to veteran support. The VA Hospital’s program for local veteran housing, NCCU’s Veterans Affairs department, and the Thomas Mentor Leadership Academy each received \$5,000.

All net proceeds from Durham’s 2025 Flags for Heroes project will benefit the Durham Rotary Club’s Second Century Fund projects with a focus on educators, first responders, medical providers, and veterans.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED!

Flags for Heroes Upcoming Events

HubRTP

300 Park Offices Drive

Research Triangle Park/Morrisville, NC 27709

Sunday, May 18 (Flag Raising)

Saturday, June 14 (Flag Ceremony – Flag Day)

Please see website for details

www.flagsforheroes-Durham.org

Books On Break



**IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO VOLUNTEER,
PLEASE COMPLETE THE DPS BACKGROUND CHECK:**

https://ec.samaritan.com/custom/1343/volunteer_registration

District Conference -- Register Now!



Rotary District 7710 Conference

DISCON25

Event Venue:

The Friday Conference Center
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
100 Friday Center Drive
Chapel Hill, NC 27599

FRIDAY, May 16, 2025

Registration includes continental breakfast, 2 breaks, and lunch.

Speakers include:

- Bill Gormont, a motivational speaker and master magician
- Tiffany Ervin, you've heard her enthusiastic presentation on CART, but at DisCon25 she will talk about Why Rotary? Why Join? Why Stay? Why Serve?
- PDG Nancy Barbee will share her latest experience in India where she led a Polio Immunization Team
- We hear a lot about the Duke-UNC Rotary Center, but at DisCon25 we will have a panel of Peace Fellows who will share with us the impact they are making in the world
- And we'll hear from DGN Pat Gallagher and Kathleen Cody as they share the impact the clubs in District 7710 are making in our local and international communities

And who knows what other magical surprises there might be. Register today and find out!

Early bird fee is \$79 until February 28, 2025.
 \$99 from March 1st to March 31st, 2025.
 \$119 after April 1, 2025,
 and registration closes May 5, 2025.

Rotary District 7710 Cancellation Policy

All registration cancellations are subject to the following cancellation fee. The following cancellation structure applies:

- 6+ weeks notice: Full refund
- 5-6 weeks notice: 60% refund
- 4-5 weeks notice: 40% refund
- 0-4 weeks notice: No refund
- Failure to attend: No refund

Transfer of registration

All fully paid registrations may be transferable to other Rotarians or non-Rotarians. Transfers must be made by the registered person in writing to executivesecretary@rotary7710.org. Details must include the full name of the replacement person, their title, contact phone number and email address.

Questions, please contact [Executive Secretary Sharon Lassiter](#).

Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center Spring Conference



DUKE-UNC ROTARY PEACE CENTER SPRING CONFERENCE
Saturday, 4.5.2025 --- 8:30am -- 3:00pm
FedEx Global Education Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
301 Pittsboro Street

Registration for our 22nd Annual Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center Spring Conference is now LIVE!

The registration link is

<https://rsvp.duke.edu/event/9ee6f51d-b76e-45a0-aebc-ea25110df851/summary>.

Our early bird registration discount ends on Saturday, March 8, and online registration closes on Friday, March 28 at 5:00pm EST.

This year's theme for our Conference is **Stories of Peace: Centering Community for Collective Transformation**. Our graduating Class 22 Rotary Peace Fellows selected this theme and will present their research, exploring new ways of thinking about peace-building, international development, and conflict transformation.

The conference will take place at the **FedEx Global Education Center (UNC-Chapel Hill)** on **Saturday, April 5th, 2025** from **8:30am to 3:00pm**. Doors will open at 8:00am, and attendees are encouraged to arrive early to check in and view an exhibition of research posters by Class 23 fellows, featuring work from the Peace Innovation Showcase at Duke University last December.

For anyone who cannot join us in person, registration to attend virtually is also available and virtual registrants will receive instructions to join via livestream or Zoom.

Questions: Please Contact Randy Lickey

Randolph H. Lickey (Randy)

Rotary Club of the Capital City, Raleigh, NC, USA (D-7710)

PDG 2001 – 2002 (D-7600)

Host Area Coordinator, Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center (2022 – 2025)

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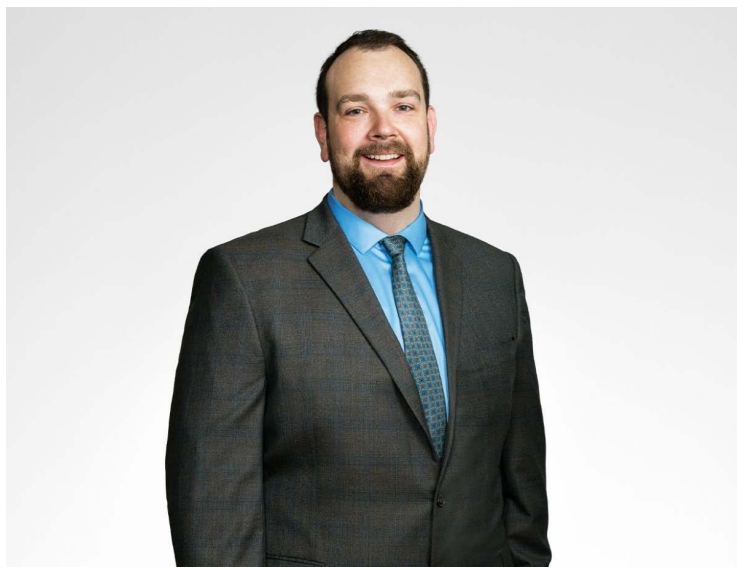
Pending New Member -- RYAN GRAY

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RYAN GRAY

Sponsored By: Crystal Taylor

Induction Date: TBD



RYAN GRAY

Pending New Member -- **NIRAJ KUMAR**

PENDING NEW MEMBER

NIRAJ KUMAR

Sponsored By: Jane Frances Brown

Induction Date: 3.31.2025



NIRAJ KUMAR

Pending New Member -- **THOMAS HOWARD**

PENDING NEW MEMBER

THOMAS HOWARD, JR.

Sponsored By: Vice-President/PP Susan Ross
Induction Date: 3.24.2025



THOMAS HOWARD, JR.
KIDZNOTES
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Do You Know Someone Interested In Joining Our Durham Rotary Club?

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, November 26, 2024



**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED
IN JOINING DURHAM ROTARY?**



Contact Sharon at slassiter38@nc.rr.com
OR

919.868.0212

Contact Sharon For A Copy Of
The Club's Membership Application
[Or pick up an Application at a Monday Meeting]

Durham Rotary Club -- SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, November 26, 2024



SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES



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Birthdays



[Mary Kate Shirah](#)
March 23rd



[Crystal Ellice Taylor](#)
March 25th



[Aleksandra Zarzour](#)
March 26th



[Robinson O. Everett Jr.](#)
April 1st



[Gerard John Musante](#)
April 3rd



[Diane Dracos Cutshaw](#)
April 4th



[Stephen E. Hancock](#)
April 4th



[Scott Eblin](#)
April 4th



[Matthew Patrick McDowell](#)
April 6th



[William G. Ingram](#)
April 13th



[Jennifer Levine](#)
April 15th



[Tanika Bunbury](#)
April 16th



[Sarah Davis](#)
April 17th



[Richard H. Brodhead](#)
April 17th



[Wendy Jacobs](#)
April 20th



[William A. Stokes Jr.](#)
April 20th