



Rotary Club of Durham



Friday, April 25, 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

May 05, 2025

Guest Speaker: Eric Mlyn, Ph.D. & Fellow Rotarian, John Aldrich
Presentation Topic: The History of The National Involvement In Making Higher Education Happen (John); and The Current Crisis (Eric) "HISTORY OF US POLITICAL PARTIES"

May 12, 2025

Guest Speaker: Laura Gutman
Presentation Topic: Army Bratt

May 19, 2025

Reminder: No Meeting On
5.19.2025

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

Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 4.28.2025 Presentation Topic -- Transportation Panel

Rotary Club of Durham Weekly Meeting
Monday, 4.28.2025 -- 12:30pm -- 1:30pm
Durham Bulls PNC Triangle Club, 3rd Floor, Durham
Presentation Topic: Transportation Panel
Speakers: Fellow Rotarian, Nick Tennyson
Fellow Rotarian, Doug Plachinski
& Guest Speaker, Becca Gallas
Moderator: Past-President, Bill Ingram



BECCA GALLAS

Becca Gallas leads NCDOT Division 5 as the Division Engineer since December 2024. Division 5 manages the planning, design, construction, maintenance and operations for highway and transportation infrastructure in the 7 counties around the Triangle. Prior to transitioning to her role in Division 5, she was the Director of NCDOT's Division of Aviation, managing a robust and safe air system across North Carolina's 72 public use airports. The highlight of her aviation tenure was coordinating the state's aviation response to Helene that resulted in millions of pounds of supplies moved via aircraft, hundreds of lives saved through aerial search and rescue operations and thousands of images captured through manned aircraft and drones.

Becca graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. She lives in Downtown Raleigh with her preschooler and husband.



John Cross
Club Director



David Tulloch Durack
Club Director



Russell Haddad
Club Director



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



FELLOW ROTARIAN, DOUG PLACHINSKI



FELLOW ROTARIAN, NICK TENNYSON



**FELLOW ROTARIAN, PAST-PRESIDENT
BILL INGRAM
PANEL MODERATOR**

Board Meeting Reminder -- Monday, 4.28.2025 -- 11am

reminder

**TO: ROTARY CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Board Meeting

**MONDAY, 4.28.2025 --- BEGINNING AT 11AM
DURHAM BULLS PNC TRIANGLE CLUB
3RD FLOOR, SUITE # 8 -- DURHAM**

Flags For Heroes Report Update

F4H REPORT UPDATE:

Field A = **DONE**

Parade of Heroes = **DONE**

Field B = Needs 1 Last Anchor Leveling Check

Field C = Ready For Anchors!!

Main Sign = Standing By

Entry Flags = Standing By For Assessment

Next Up: One more Volunteer Call on Monday -- for Field C (F3 may be the Group that makes it happen!)

And -- for planning purposes on the main setup weekend - if you have people asking how to volunteer -

- **Friday, 5.16.2025:** Last Anchor Setting, If Needed; Main Sign, If Not Done; & "Beauty Walk" of All Fields
- **Saturday, 5.17.2025:** Flag Set-Up
- **Sunday, 5.18.2025:** Medallion Hang & Hanging Up Field Row Marker Signs

Thanks To All For Your Hard Work & Support!
Erik and Todd











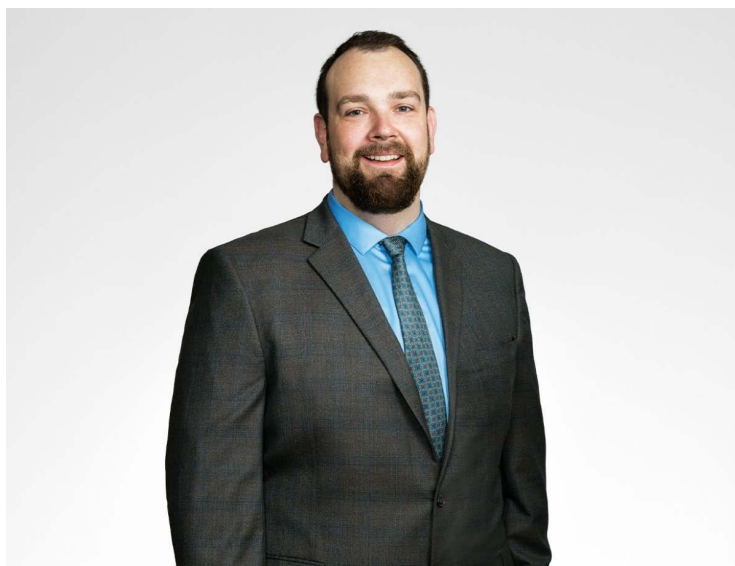
Pending New Member -- RYAN GRAY

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RYAN GRAY

Sponsored By: President Rob Everett

Induction Date: 4.28.2025



RYAN GRAY

Durham Rotary New Corporate Member Robert Birnbach

DURHAM ROTARY NEW CORPORATE MEMBER

ROBERT BIRNBACH

CO-SPONSORED BY:

PRESIDENT ROB EVERETT

&

JANE FRANCES BROWN

INDUCTION DATE: 4.28.2025



Robert Birnbach

**Creative Strategist and Leader, Commercial Photographer
& Jazz Lover. Partner at Curious Ant**

Message From PP Vandana Dake / Peace Fellow, Mohammed Fakh

***A Message From
PP Vandana Dake / Peace Fellow, Mohammed Fakh
Re: Western North Carolina MFHSL Program***

Hi everyone, I'm excited to share that I'll be heading to Western North Carolina at end of May to participate in the UNC Migrant Farmworker Health Service?Learning (MFHSL) Program. As part of this experience, we're organizing a clothing and supply drive to support local migrant farmworkers, and we'd love your help.

If you have any gently used clothing or supplies you'd like to donate, please drop them off at one of the locations above, or feel free to bring them to me, and I'll make sure they get there. You can share this with your network if you'd like. Your generosity will make a big difference in helping farmworkers stay safe and healthy while working long hours in the fields.

Donation Details can be sent to you upon request. (Please reach out to Sharon for details).

Warmly,

Mohammed

JOIN THE GREEN TEAM!

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Join the Green Team at one or every second-Saturday (10 am to noon) work day at The Museum of Life and Science! We will remove invasive plant species and work under the direction of Museum Staff to expand its pollinator garden and MORE!

Sign up [here](#).

KIWANIS PROJECT KICKOFF

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Rotary District 7710 and Kiwanis 12 is excited to sponsor a very unique service opportunity, joining the global movement to end hunger with Rise Against Hunger. Join us in packaging over 10,000 meals to support nutrition, education and health for children and families facing hunger right now around the world. Register on the page below for this fun, high-impact event and consider a donation towards our event goal!

On May 10, we're teaming up for a Rise Against Hunger meal-packing

challenge at their Raleigh facility.

- * Needed: 50 volunteers
- * Goal: 10,000 meals
- * Commitment: 2 hours



Let's see who brings the most hands, the most energy, and the most funds to fuel the fight against food insecurity!

Please share this information with your club members. The link for registration is below. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

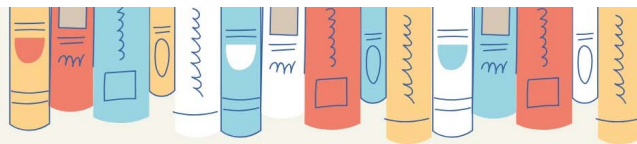
<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/Rotary7710>

Happy Rotary-ing!
Debra

Debra DeCamillis
District 7710 Community Engagement Chair
919-417-0660

Books On Break





BOOKS ON BREAK MAY 12-14

For more information,
contact Sasha Zarzour
executive_director@caringhouse.org.



Books on Break is Back!

Join us from May 12th to May 14th at YE Smith for a special event that brings the magic of books to kids in our community! Help them pick out the perfect summer reads and fuel their imaginations all season long.

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A48A4AE2BA13-56014913-books#/>

If you're planning to volunteer, don't forget to complete the DPS Background Check – let's make sure every page turned is safe! https://ec.samaritan.com/custom/1343/volunteer_registration

If you have any questions, please contact Sasha Zarzour, executive_director@caringhouse.org

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

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, November 26, 2024



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DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED
IN JOINING DURHAM ROTARY?

Rotary 

THE WORLD NEEDS MORE
#ROTARIANS



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



[Keith B. Artin](#)
April 27th



[Todd E. Taylor](#)
April 30th



[Arthur Henry Rogers III](#)
April 30th



[Cheryl Parquet](#)
May 1st



[Sherry DeVries](#)
May 3rd



[L. L. Hank Hankla](#)
May 4th



[Darlene Fiscus](#)
May 6th



[Karrie Dixon](#)
May 6th



[Kimberly Martin
Rehberg](#)
May 10th



[John H. Taylor](#)
May 11th



[Robert T. Cadwallader
Jr.](#)
May 14th



[Mark Simpson](#)
May 17th

[Forrest Perry](#)
May 19th

[Keygan Mayfield](#)
May 20th

[Jeremiah O'Keeffe](#)
May 21st

[Willis P. Whichard](#)
May 24th

