



# Rotary Club of Durham



## Club Meeting

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

## Events

No Events found

## Speakers

### August 22, 2022

Ernie Dollar, Director of Raleigh  
Museum of History  
Presentation Topic: Hearts Torn  
Asunder: Trauma in the Civil War's  
Final Campaign in North Carolina

### August 29, 2022

Presiding: Geraud Staton,  
President  
Rotary Club of Durham Board  
Meeting.

### August 29, 2022

Kim Shaw & Adrienne Clark -- The  
Triangle Non-Profit & Leadership  
Center  
Presentation Topic: 50 Years of  
Community Impact

### September 05, 2022

Reminder No Meeting On 9.5.2022  
Labor Day Holiday  
Reminder: No Meeting On Monday,  
9.5.2022 In Observance of The  
Labor Day Holiday

## Club Leaders



Emilee J. Collins  
Stewardship Committee  
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Committee Chair



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Innovations Fellows  
Committee Chair



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Thursday, August 18, 2022

## Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 8.22.2022 Guest Speaker Ernest Dollar

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, August 12, 2022

### Durham Rotary Club Weekly Meeting

**Monday, 8.22.2022 --- 12:30 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m.**

**Durham Bulls Triangle PNC Club, 3rd Floor --Durham, North Carolina**

**Guest Speaker: Ernie Dollar,**

**Director of Raleigh Museum of History**

**Presentation Topic: Hearts Torn Asunder:**

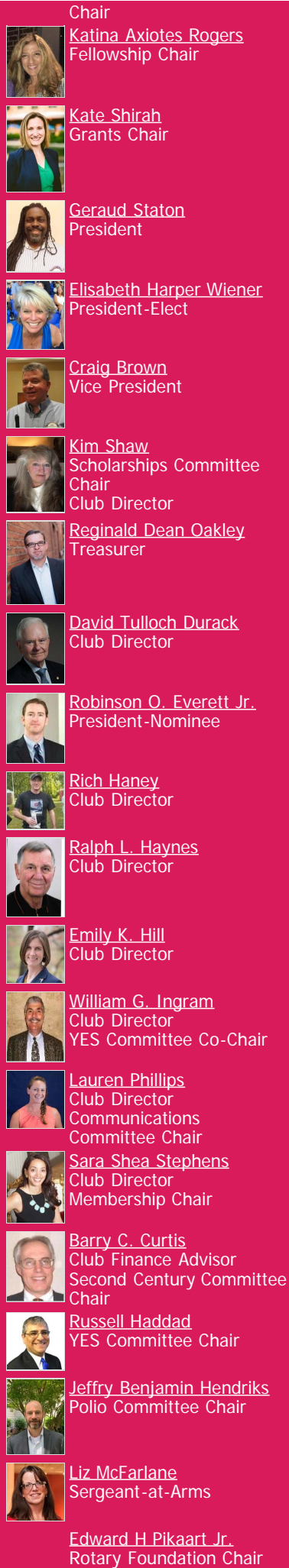
**Trauma in the Civil War's Final Campaign in North Carolina**



## ERNIE DOLLAR

### BACKGROUND – ERNEST DOLLAR

I'm a Durham native, been in the Triangle all my life. I attended [The University of North Carolina at Greensboro](#), where I was originally a design major. But I got bit by the history bug my junior year of college—I later went on to grad school to pursue that interest. I worked in historical preservation until I landed my first director job in 2001, at the Orange County Historical Museum in Hillsborough, N.C. The museum there was started in 1956, but it was the first time they were looking for a director. I had never thought about working in a museum, but once I got the job, I fell in love and never looked back. Museums are where art and history meet, through design exhibits. I went back to school at North Carolina State University to study Public History and graduated in 2006. It's a real niche



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field, but with a basic question: how do we teach the public about history? I was one of the first few hires at the COR Museum and the Pope House when the City took over.

## HOW DID THAT COME ABOUT?

The Raleigh City Museum, as it was originally called, was a private museum founded in 1993—right after Raleigh’s bicentennial—that operated as a nonprofit. It was in danger of closing before the City of Raleigh took it over in 2012, and I came on board shortly after. The Pope House had never even been a museum. After that, the city renamed the Parks and Recreation Department as the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department. They formed the Historic Resources and Museum Program, which is the group that manages the city’s historic facilities. Since the museum and Pope House are near each other, I oversee both sites. To be a part of this is very rewarding work.

## WHY IS RALEIGH SO SPECIAL TO YOU?

The exciting thing is that Raleigh is the state capital. To tell the story of the political center of North Carolina is a big deal. I was very excited to come to the big city and tell its history. Raleigh has a nice, polished exterior history: state capital, government town, business town. Past that, I didn’t know much. It’s taken me eight or nine years to get into the corners of Raleigh’s past. A lot of my research was driven by the community, people who inspired me to dig in and learn more.

## WHAT’S MOST INTERESTING ABOUT RALEIGH?

Much of the historic background I’ve personally studied is the 19th century. I certainly think the [Civil War](#) is pretty important and relevant to today—just open a newspaper! People don’t realize that Raleigh was almost completely destroyed. There was a giant earthen wall built around the entire city, and one Union general, John A. “Black Jack” Logan, saved the city from being burnt down.

Raleigh has such a rich African-American history as well—Dr. Pope was one of the first African-American doctors in North Carolina, which is why his home is a museum now. It tells the story of North Carolina’s first licensed black doctors. There are stories in the African-American community that are disappearing—we have to capture them before they’re gone. For example, we have a literacy test from October 10, 1964. This was donated to us from the Wake County Board of Elections and shows the lengths that were taken to disqualify voters, especially African Americans. Potential voters had to copy phrases from the Constitution to prove they could read and write. The use of literacy tests was made illegal by the passage of the Voting Rights Act passed on August 6, 1965.

The deeper I dig, the more I find. Did you know that even though Raleigh is named after English explorer Sir Walter Raleigh, he never set foot anywhere in the New World? I’ve been able to see the way neighborhoods have changed—[Transfer Food Hall](#) now sits in the heart of Raleigh’s turn-of-the-century Red Light District. If you’re interested in some really morbid stories of the Capital City, we offer our Dark Raleigh walking tour in October. Rather than ghosts, we explore true death and crime stories from Raleigh’s past.

## WHAT CAN YOU LEARN AT THE COR MUSEUM?

There’s a lot more to Raleigh than being a government town. An incredible community has lived here for over 200 years. The past is an incredible place to visit and it’s still with us today. This is the whole architecture of everything we do at the museum: our motto is ‘Then, Now, Next.’ We want to keep up with the pace and the pulse of the city by curating



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 iPast President



Sharon Kay Lassiter  
 Club Executive Secretary

exhibits that showcase how Raleigh's history will shape our future.

## **SPEAKING OF YOUR MOTTO... WHAT'S NEXT?**

This year is the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment. We are celebrating what women in North Carolina did when they got the right to vote with *From Mothers to Mayors: The Legacy of the 19th Amendment*. It takes a look at the next century of political activism by women in Raleigh. I have many favorite artifacts, but one is a staple gun used by Betty Ann Knudsen. She was a Wake County Commissioner in 1976 and became the first female to chair the board; she was a powerhouse in organizing and promoting female candidates. She helped get Raleigh's first female mayor elected in 1977. This simple staple gun helped make big changes.

## **Follow-Up From Dr. Pascal Mubenga's 8.15.2022 Presentation - - HOW CAN I HELP & GET INVOLVED?**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, August 18, 2022

# GET INVOLVED!

## **DURHAM ROTARIANS!**

Several Rotarians had questions after Dr. Mubenga's 8.15.2022 Presentation regarding The Durham Public Schools and asked, "HOW DO I GET INVOLVED AND WHAT CAN WE DO!?"

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED  
 AND HELP, PLEASE CONTACT KARIN BECKETT!**

**[Karin\\_Beckett@dpsnc.net](mailto:Karin_Beckett@dpsnc.net)**

Karin will be able to assist those who would like to support our schools. And things don't have to be just financial -- some people have donated items such as musical instruments -- or really anything that can be used at a school.

# Thank you

**CENTERFEST -- 9.17.2022 & 9.18.2022**





## CenterFest Arts Festival

**Saturday, 9.17.2022 -- 10am – 6pm**

**Sunday, 9.18.2022 -- 11am – 5pm**

The Durham Arts Council is bringing **The 47th Annual CenterFest Arts Festival** to Downtown Durham, and you can be a big part of making it happen!

The Rotary Club of Durham is playing a big role in helping make CenterFest Arts Festival a wonderful event for our community again this year! Durham Rotary Club is a sponsor of the event and helps by providing volunteer Rotarians who are asked to sign up for a 2-hour volunteer shift to help at CenterFest Entrance Gates and Coke Booths. Your role is to greet visitors, accept gate donations, and sell Coca-Cola Beverages (donated by Durham Coca-Cola Bottling Co.) Additionally, 2 Rotarians per shift will be assigned to staff the Rotary promotion booth.

Over 110 visual artists from near and far will showcase their work, and 70 performing arts groups will provide continuous music, dance and entertainment. Add in yummy local food trucks, festival foods, hands on activities and Durham's inspiring nonprofit and government services booths and you have the best way to kick off the fall season! Bring the family, bring your friends, bring the neighborhood!

Sign up  
Here  
↓

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0448A4AD2BA0FA7-centerfest1>

**Questions:** Please Contact Rotarian, Sherry DeVries!

Sherry DeVries  
Executive Director  
Durham Arts Council  
919.560.2709  
[sdevries@durhamarts.org](mailto:sdevries@durhamarts.org)  
[www.durhamarts.org](http://www.durhamarts.org)

## **DURHAM ROTARY FIRST EVER OKTOBERFEST!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, August 4, 2022



Guten Tag, Durham Rotarians!

Would you like us to have our first-ever Oktoberfest?

Beer, food, games and fun – all for charity!

We're starting to plan for this coming October...

We've got possible venues, and now we need to see how much volunteer people-power we have to help run it.

So: If you're interested in helping, please ...

**Contact:**

**Fundraising Co-Chairs Ted Benson or Erik Benson!**



**LET'S TAKE SOME KIDS TO THE DPAC!!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, July 12, 2022

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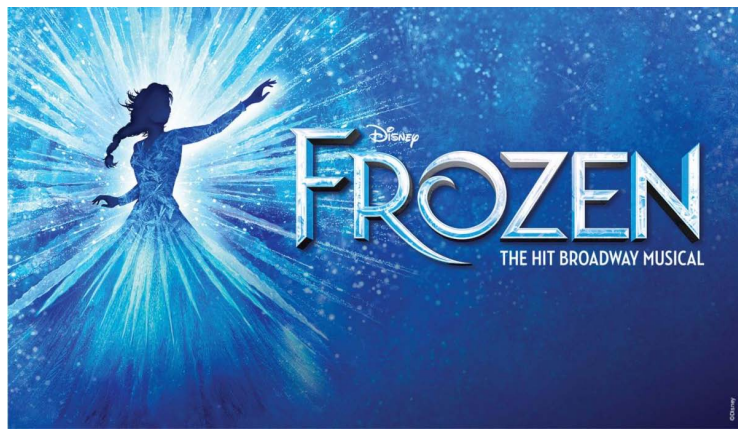
**TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE  
FOR DINNER AND A SHOW!!**

**Rotarians and their family and friends  
are invited to purchase tickets  
for the evening of Friday, 9.30.2022!!**

**We will gather together for dinner  
at Tobacco Road, at 6:00 p.m.!**



**After dinner, we will proceed to THE DPAC  
for the 8:00 p.m. showing of FROZEN!!!**



Before the Show, we will have the opportunity to mingle and fellowship with our guests from Durham Children's Initiative for a brief reception at THE DPAC. We will then be seated together during the Show!

Tickets are \$80.00 Per Person.  
To Purchase Tickets, Please Contact:  
Fellow Rotarian, Carver Weaver  
(Text or Call: 919.623.7888)

OR

Email Carver, At: [weavercarver@gmail.com](mailto:weavercarver@gmail.com)

For each Ticket purchased, we can donate one ticket.  
Only 25 Tickets are available For Sale!  
**CONTACT CARVER TODAY!!**

Questions: Please Contact Carver Directly!

Thank You

**Pending New Member -- SHELLY GREEN**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, August 3, 2022

**PENDING NEW MEMBER  
SHELLY GREEN**

**SPONSORED BY: SUSAN ROSS  
INDUCTION DATE: 8.22.2022**





## **SHELLY GREEN**

Following a 30-year career in destination marketing including leading visitor bureaus in Asheville, Chapel Hill, and Durham, NC, Shelly retired from Discover Durham in the fall of 2019. With more than three decades of experience spanning the public, private and nonprofit sectors she launched a consulting business that same year to assist tourism organizations with strategic planning, organizational effectiveness, policy development and governance.

During her tenure in Durham, she oversaw the organization's accreditation and re-accreditation process earning 26 exemplary citations for best practices. She oversaw the creation of a new visitor information center on Main Street, and help found the Durham Sports Commission and managed it through its startup phase.

Shelly has worked as an Executive Consultant for MMGY NextFactor since 2019. She has produced long-term strategic and destination management plans and organizational reviews for organizations such as Daytona Beach, Lake Placid, Outer Banks, and Nassau/Paradise Island. She also enjoys working with Susan Ross with moss + ross as an affiliate contractor helping with communications, strategy and projects for clients such as the Town of Cary, El Futuro, and the NC School of Science and Math.

Shelly has served in many leadership roles in the tourism and nonprofit sectors, as well as those that serve her local community. In recognition of her service and accomplishments Shelly was recently inducted into the Destinations International Hall of Fame. She also received a Barrentine Award from her peers in the Destination Marketing Association of NC for significant contribution toward state and national tourism initiatives and the Bill Sharpe Public Service Award from the NC Travel Industry Association.

Before moving to North Carolina and embarking on a career in destination marketing, Shelly served as a public-school music teacher, choral director, and administrator at a fine arts college in Florida. She earned a bachelor's and master's degree in music from the University of Miami, and she is a certified destination marketing executive (CDME). She and her partner recently relocated back to Durham after selling their idyllic retirement home on Mayo Lake near Roxboro.

### **Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 8.15.2022 Dr. Pascal Mubenga**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Monday, August 8, 2022

**Thank You To Fellow Rotarian, Dr. Pascal Mubenga  
For His Informative Presentation  
At Our 8.15.2022 Rotary Meeting!**

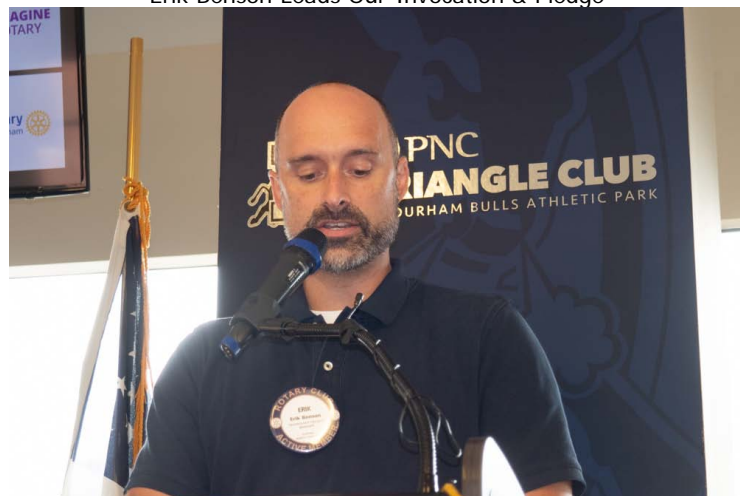


**Presentation Topic: Renaissance: Building A New Future for OUR Public Schools**  
**To View The Meeting, Please Click On The Link Below:**  
[Click Here To View 8.15.2022 Rotary Meeting](#)

President Geraud Welcomes Rotarians & Guests



Erik Benson Leads Our Invocation & Pledge



Russ Haddad Introduces Our Speaker, Fellow Rotarian, Dr. Pascal Mubenga



Our 8.15.2022 Speaker -- Fellow Rotarian, Dr. Pascal Mubenga



Announcements  
Carver Weaver -- Frozen at DPAC



Ted Benson -- Oktoberfest





First "Shout-Out" of the New Rotary Year  
From Sara Stephens -- Re: Durham County Library



## **Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 8.29.2022 Speakers Kim Shaw & Adrienne Clark**

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**Adrienne Clark, Director of Special Programs & Operations**  
**Presentation Topic: 50 Years of Community Impact**





**FELLOW ROTARIAN, KIM SHAW**  
Executive Director  
The Triangle Non-Profit & Leadership Center



**ADRIENNE CLARK,**  
Director of Special Programs & Operations  
The Triangle Non-Profit & Leadership Center

## **REMINDER -- BOARD MEETING -- Monday, 8.29.2022 -- 11AM**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, August 3, 2022



**Board meeting**

**MONDAY, 8.29.2022**

**BEGINNING AT 11:00 A.M.**

**DURHAM BULLS PNC TRIANGLE CLUB, 3RD FLOOR--SUITE # 8**

**Durham Rotary Club -- SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, April 21, 2022

**DURHAM ROTARY CLUB**

# SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES



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

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, November 10, 2021

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



Contact Sharon For A Copy Of  
The Club's Membership Application

[slassiter38@nc.rr.com](mailto:slassiter38@nc.rr.com)

*[Or pick up an Application at a Monday Meeting]*

## Birthdays



[Ernest E. Wooden III](#)  
August 24th



[Tom Bagby](#)  
August 26th



[Roslyn Grace](#)  
August 29th



[Susan R. Miller](#)  
August 29th



[Seth J. Jernigan](#)  
August 31st



[Carver Camp Weaver](#)  
August 31st



[Vandana Dake](#)  
September 1st



[Kenneth Andrew  
Cutshaw](#)  
September 2nd

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[Teri S. Canada](#)





September 3rd



September 4th



September 5th



September 12th



[James Slade Crumpton](#)  
September 12th



[Karla Marie Santiago](#)  
September 13th