



# 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

### September 26, 2022

Reminder No Meeting On

9.26.2022 -- Fall Break!

Reminder: No Meeting On Monday,  
9.26.2022 FALL BREAK!

### October 03, 2022

Dale Folwell, Treasurer For The  
State of North Carolina

Presentation Topic: TBA

### October 10, 2022

Reminder No Meeting On

10.10.2022 -- In Observance of

The Columbus Day Holiday

Reminder: No Meeting On Monday,  
10.10.2022 In Observance of The  
Columbus Day Holiday

### October 12, 2022

Ted Benson & Erik Benson

(Fundraising Chairs)

DURHAM ROTARY CLUB FIRST  
EVER OKTOBERFEST!

### October 17, 2022

Fellow Rotarian & Foundation  
Chair, Ed Pikaart

Presentation Topic: Rotary  
Foundation

## Club Leaders



Emilee J. Collins

Stewardship Committee

Chair

Past President



Kenneth Andrew Cutshaw

Club Director

Interact and Rotaract

Committee Chair



Christopher Gergen

Innovations Fellows

Committee Chair

Thursday, September 22, 2022

**Reminder -- No Meeting 9.26.2022 -- FALL BREAK!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, August 23, 2022



**No Meeting On Monday, 9.26.2022  
FALL BREAK!**

**Pending New Member -- DAVID CRITE**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, September 9, 2022

**PENDING NEW MEMBER  
DAVID MARSHALL CRITE  
Sponsored By: Treat Harvey  
Induction Date: 10.3.2022**



Jennifer Levine  
Secretary  
Green Team Committee  
Chair



Katina Axiotes Rogers  
Fellowship Chair



Kate Shirah  
Grants Chair



Geraud Staton  
President



Elisabeth Harper Wiener  
President-Elect



Craig Brown  
Vice President



Kim Shaw  
Scholarships Committee  
Chair  
Club Director



Reginald Dean Oakley  
Treasurer



David Tulloch Durack  
Club Director



Robinson O. Everett Jr.  
President-Nominee



Rich Haney  
Club Director



Ralph L. Haynes  
Club Director



Emily K. Hill  
Club Director



William G. Ingram  
Club Director  
YES Committee Co-Chair



Lauren Phillips  
Club Director  
Communications  
Committee Chair

Sara Shea Stephens



## DAVID CRITE

I am originally from Greenville, SC. I have lived in various places within the United States, ranging from as far west as Texas, to as far north as Pennsylvania. Moving back to the Carolinas has been a long-time goal of mine and I am excited to now live in the Triangle area. I received my bachelor's degree in management from Clemson University (2006) and my master's degree in political science from Southern New Hampshire University (2020). I have a professional background in operations and currently work for Duke CE, as the North American Facilities Manager.

I enjoy staying physically active by playing basketball, hiking and occasionally riding my bike. I also consider myself to be the ultimate entertainer in karaoke (not much of a singer though lol). Coming from a big extended family and being the youngest of 5 siblings, I naturally developed a love for people. My passion is connecting with people and building strong networks. I have a strong desire to be engaged in the community, to make a positive and lasting impact. For this reason, I believe that being a member of the Rotary Club of Durham, will help me continue to stride in these efforts.

## Pending New Member -- COLIN MYER

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, September 21, 2022

## PENDING NEW MEMBER

## COLIN MYER

**Sponsored By: Kenneth Cutshaw**

**Induction Date: 10.3.2022**





Club Director  
Membership Chair



Barry C. Curtis  
Club Finance Advisor  
Second Century Committee  
Chair



Russell Haddad  
YES Committee Chair



Jeffry Benjamin Hendriks  
Polio Committee Chair



Liz McFarlane  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Edward H. Pikaart Jr.  
Rotary Foundation Chair



Dallas T. Stallings Jr.  
Invocations Committee  
Chair



Tom Bagby  
Club Photographer



Ray E. Benson III  
Club Fundraising Chair



Dieter Mauch  
Community Service Chair



Steed Rollins Jr.  
Club Programs Chair



John J. Zenner III  
Club Photographer



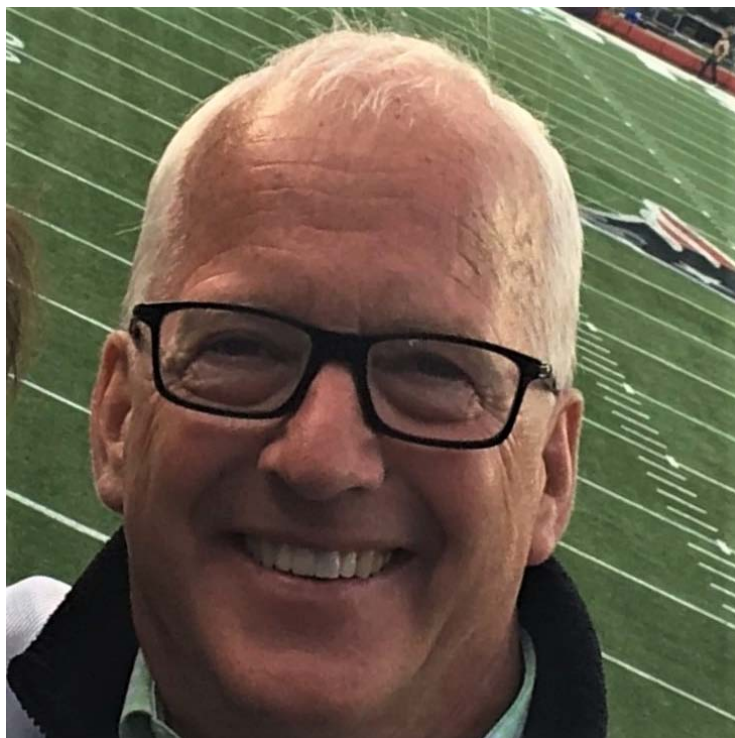
Indira M. Everett  
iPast President



Sharon Kay Lassiter  
Club Executive Secretary



Doris Wallace  
Asst Governor



## COLIN MYER

**Colin Myer** works for AIG Investments originating assets for the company's bond portfolios. He joined them 10 years ago and before that he worked for several large banks; Bankers Trust, Bank of America, Key Bank and CIBC Wood Gundy.

In addition, he is an active member of the Carolina Angel Network which provides seed funding for several UNC affiliated start-ups including The Looma Project, Good United, Next Century Spirits and Second Nature. He has been part owner of two ethanol plants since 2009 both of which are in the process of taking advantage of new technology to sequester their CO2 emissions.

Colin and his wife Laurie moved to the Triangle in 2010 from Kansas and before that lived in New York, Boston, and London, where they met. They are happy to report that they are done moving. They have three children, two married and the youngest marries in April 2023- a special Easter present. No, not yet.

While raising our children, we hosted four different exchange students and have remained close to them ever since. Three were from Germany and one from South Korea and they all became members of our family, so much so that they were invited to both of our children's weddings. The exchange program added immeasurably to our children's lives and to ours.

Colin has been an active participant in American Corporate Partners which brings together a retiring Veteran with a mentor from the civilian world for a year to help the Veteran more easily transition to a full-time job. He has been doing this since AIG joined the program in 2016 and working with his sixth veteran, he is happy to report that all of them are working and developing their "second" careers. Colin also works actively for a non-profit called Families Advocating for Campus Equality which assists students trying to manage their way through the often-incomprehensible University disciplinary process. With retirement looming and wishing to stay active and involved in this great community, Colin wants to join Rotary to take advantage of the service opportunities and to provide mentorship, when he can, to the next generation.

## Pending New Member -- ZOEY ELLEN BEST-WAFFLE

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Sunday, September 18, 2022

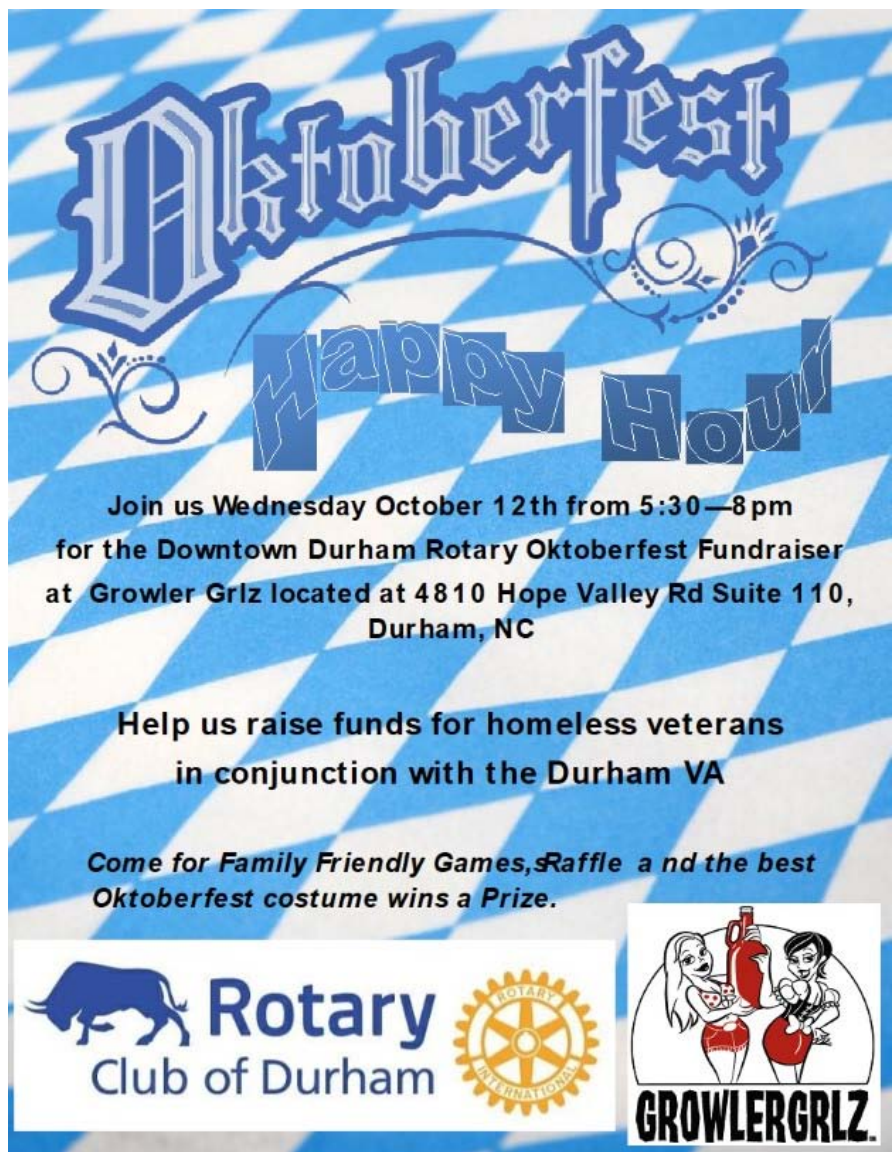
### **PENDING NEW MEMBER ZOEY ELLEN BEST-WAFFLE Sponsored By: President Geraud Staton Induction Date: 10.3.2022**



**ZOEY ELLEN BEST-WAFFLE** was born and raised in Durham, North Carolina, and completed her B.S. in Biology at Duke University. Her goal in life was to “save the sea turtles,” so she went on to complete her M.S. in Marine Biology at Nova Southeastern University in South Florida. After failing to find a job in her field and struggling to pay back her student loans, Zoey turned to entrepreneurship in an effort to pay her bills. With no savings or formal business training (and in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic), she and her family created Da Kine’s Kava, Durham’s only non-alcoholic bar. Because of her experience building a business from the ground up, Zoey joined the board of directors for the Helius Foundation and is the current Board Chair. Her Masters Degree is now collecting dust in a closet, and her new goal in life is to help other Millennials and Gen Z embrace entrepreneurship as a viable career option. In her spare time Zoey enjoys SCUBA diving, latin dancing with her husband, and finding new and interesting ways to annoy her two cats.

## DURHAM ROTARY FIRST EVER OKTOBERFEST!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, September 22, 2022



**INVITE YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS!!  
NON-ROTARY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!!**

**ALSO, THERE WILL BE A PRIZE FOR THE ROTARY MEMBER  
WHO BRINGS THE MOST GUESTS!!**

### **Green Team Volunteer Opportunities!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Wednesday, August 24, 2022



**GREEN TEAM SERVICE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!!**



Greetings from the Green Team! Are you ready to remove some invasive plant species in our community? The Green Team has been hard at work to identify volunteer opportunities for our members and the club! Please join us for one of these events:

Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022: 10 a.m.--1 p.m.

Second Saturday Workday: The Museum of Life and Science

**Sign up here:** [volunteersignup.org/F8QQQ](https://volunteersignup.org/F8QQQ)

Saturday, Dec 10, 2022, 9:30 a.m.--12:30 p.m.

Second Saturday Workday: Beaver Marsh Nature Preserve (ECWA)

Sign up here: [https://ellerbecreek.secure.force.com/Volunteer\\_Event\\_Signup\\_Page?cid=7018b000001Ix43AAC](https://ellerbecreek.secure.force.com/Volunteer_Event_Signup_Page?cid=7018b000001Ix43AAC)

Saturday, Feb 11, 2023, 9:30 a.m.--12:30 p.m.

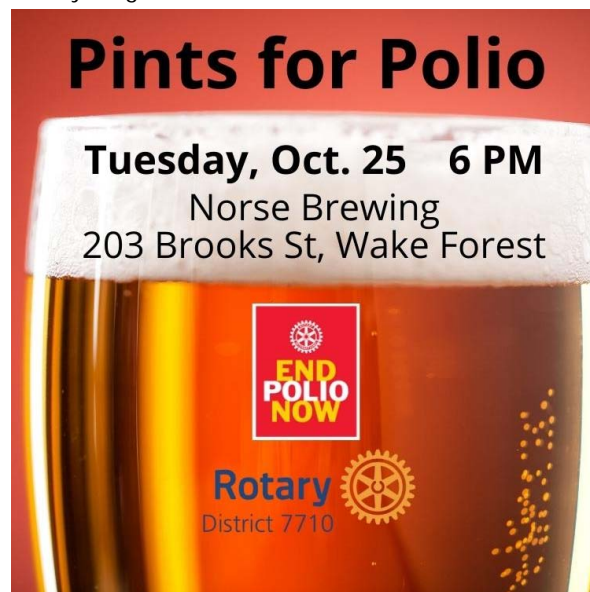
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Tools, instructions, and fellowship will be provided. Just bring your work gloves, sturdy shoes, and a water bottle to stay hydrated! Family members welcome, too. See Jenny with questions: [jenny.levine@gmail.com](mailto:jenny.levine@gmail.com) / 919-260-2462

## **District Event -- Pints For Polio!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Friday, August 26, 2022



## **D7710 FIRST ANNUAL PINTS4POLIO!!!**

**WHEN: Tuesday, 10.25.2022 -- 6pm -- 8:30pm**

**WHERE: NORSE BREWERY**



203 Brooks Street

Wake Forest, North Carolina 27587

Light Appetizers Provided  
Cash Bar

**Recommended Minimum -- \$6.00 Donation At The Door  
(\$6.00 Fully Protects 2 Kids From Polio!)  
COME HAVE FUN WHILE RAISING FUNDS FOR POLIO PLUS!!**

**No Zoom Option.**

Questions: Contact D7710 Polio Plus Chair, Lynne Carpenter at:  
[Lynne@phicare.com](mailto:Lynne@phicare.com)

**SAVE THE DATE -- Durham Rotary Clubs -- VOLUNTEER DAY!  
12.3.2022!**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, September 20, 2022

**SAVE THE DATE**



## **Durham Rotary Clubs Volunteer Day** **Saturday, 12.3.2022 --- 9am -12 Noon** **West Point on the Eno**

Join to install educational interpretive signs and a bench along the 0.5 mile Laurel Cliffs Nature Trail. Help with trail maintenance and litter pick-up. Medium- to light-duty jobs available. All training and tools will be provided. Please bring your own work gloves and water.

Sign-up: <https://dprvolunteers.ivolunteer.com/rotaryeno>

Open to members of The Downtown Durham Rotary Club, Southwest Durham Rotary Club, Sunrise Rotary Club, Rotaract, etc. plus their invited guests.

**Questions:** Email [Emily@enoriver.org](mailto:Emily@enoriver.org)

## Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 9.19.2022 Guest Speaker: Peter Schubert

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, August 23, 2022

**Thank You To Our Guest Speaker,  
Peter Schubert, For A Very Interesting Presentation!**  
**Presentation Topic: What's Wrong With Invasive Plants?**  
[Click Here To View The 9.19.2022 Rotary Meeting](#)

Guest Speaker, Peter Schubert



Sherry DeVries Thanks All Who Served At Centerfest This Past Weekend!







Nichole Gantshar -- Announces Oktoberfest Coming Up In October!



Marcy Lowe -- Announces Green Team Volunteer Opportunities Coming Up!



## **Weekly Rotary Meeting -- 10.3.2022 Dale Folwell, Treasurer For The State of North Carolina**

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Tuesday, August 23, 2022

**Weekly Rotary Meeting -- Monday, 10.3.2022 -- 12:30 p.m. -- 1:30 p.m.  
Guest Speaker: Dale Folwell, Treasurer For The State of North Carolina**



**DALE FOLWELL**

## **Tar Heel Born. Tar Heel Bred.**

**Dale Folwell's** career achievements and legislative track record clearly demonstrate the traits that North Carolinians say they want in their North Carolina State Treasurer:

**A conservative who consistently finds conservative and common sense solutions.**

**A leader who is committed to putting North Carolinians first.**

**A strong legislative track record.**

**An ability to clearly demonstrate the intellectual and policy risks that are necessary to fix North Carolina.**

Dale's record is unmatched in his ability to get meaningful legislation passed; even while sitting in the opposition, he gets things fixed! His entire career has been focused on doing what's right for his family, his clients, his community, and the State of North Carolina. Like the vast majority of North Carolinians, he comes from a modest background. When reflecting on his childhood, Dale often remarks,

**"I was poor in resource, but rich in opportunity"**

Dale Folwell has achieved decades of experience as a highly successful investor and financial consultant. In addition, he has served as Assistant Secretary of Commerce, two years as Speaker Pro Tempore of the North Carolina House of Representatives, four terms



as Representative to the NC House, and eight years on the WSFC School Board. Dale has spent many hours volunteering his time helping others and working for charities. He is known across the state as an intelligent, honest person with a big heart. A man of his word, Dale Folwell has a proven track record of working hard and getting things fixed.

## Rotarian Spotlight!

By Sharon Kay Lassiter on Thursday, July 7, 2022



## **Reminder Durham Rotarians! Don't forget our Rotary Member Spotlight!!**

### **What Is Needed:**

Headshot or fun picture of yourself

### **Answer Three (3) of The Following Questions:**

- What's something about you (a fun fact) that not many people know?
- What's the last book you read?
- What is your favorite hobby?
- What is the first concert you ever attended?
- What is the next place on your travel bucket list?
- Are you currently binge-watching any shows?
- How long have you been a Member of Durham Rotary?
- Why did you join Rotary?
- What is your favorite part of being a Member of Durham Rotary?
- Who inspires you?
- If you could choose anyone as a Mentor, who would you choose, and why?

We hope you will participate! Send your headshot photo and your answers to three of the above-listed questions to either Membership Chair, Sara Stephens or to Sharon!

## 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]*

### 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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### Birthdays

[Camryn Smith](#)  
September 23rd

[Monica E. Barnes](#)  
September 26th



[Kinsey M. Wennerstrom](#)  
September 27th



[Shelly A. Green](#)  
September 29th



[Aubrey Dea Zinaich](#)  
October 6th



[Barry C. Curtis](#)  
October 7th



[Kimberly Glenn](#)  
October 8th



[Michael McLawhorn](#)  
October 10th



[Karen Wells](#)  
October 12th



[Stewart Parks  
Alexander III](#)  
October 13th



[George Lucaci](#)  
October 16th



[Shemecka McNeil](#)  
October 17th



[Jodee Ann Nimerichter](#)  
October 18th



[Allie Balling](#)  
October 20th



[James A. Leak III](#)  
October 22nd



[Sheldon Mitchell](#)  
October 22nd



[Rebecca Anne Johnson](#)  
October 22nd



[Mimi O'Brien](#)  
October 22nd