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Thursday, September 5, 2019

Matt Arnold's notes

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Greetings friends,

Another wonderful East Chapel Hill Rotary week! The Teacher Supply Store was a great success for the 13th straight year. With careful management of funds along with discounts from Staples, we were able to distribute just shy of \$50,000 school supplies to this year's 600+ teachers. Heartfelt thanks to Tim Smith and Pat Phelan, along with our many, many members who volunteered and made additional donations, to make this happen.

Our speaker, Adela Stevens, a Rotary Youth Exchange alum was truly impressive. Lorenzo Mejia followed up the program by holding an information session that was attended by nearly 40 parents and potential Youth Exchange students. We are really making great strides in youth services!

Thanks to Assistant Governor Carol Rives for her brief but informative update on district and Rotary International programs this year. The District Governor will be here in a just a few weeks.

Earlier, I sent out a note reporting on Brian Stabler's health concerns. Brian was scheduled for surgery yesterday. Please keep Brian in your thoughts.

This week, Mayor Pam Hemminger will update us on a range of Town topics. We will also receive a brief report from Cathy Musci our Teachers2Teachers scholarship recipient. Later this year, she will return with a full program sharing with us the program's impact on her classroom as well as her counterpart's in Guatemala.

We do plan to meet but will update you in email and text if the weather has other plans. See you tomorrow.

Yours in Rotary,

Matt Arnold
 President 2019-2020



Sergeant-at-Arms ♦ Jerry Benson



Jerry called our meeting to order and introduced our many guests: Colleen Walker, guest of Pam Herndon, will be taking over her Chatham County office; Rotarians Carol Rives (asst DG from CHSunrise), Scott Reynolds (District Chair for Youth Exchange from the Cary-MacGregor club), and Brent Blaylock (SW Durham). Jerry asked David Baddour to give our blessing.

Jerry and his family are making frequent trips to Montana lately and this entails many airport delays. This has given Jerry time to ponder the naming of airports. O ♦ Hare has an interesting background. The Chicago airport is named for Butch O ♦ Hare, a decorated WWII pilot. However, Butch O ♦ Hare Sr., father of said hero, had a colorful life as a creative bookkeeper for Al Capone who in the ♦30 ♦s finally turned Capone in and was subsequently gunned down ♦ not quite the way his son was.

Announcements

- We have purchased tickets for our *Rolling Tailgate*. We will keep registration open [online](#) and will do our best to purchase additional tickets if more folks sign-up. Contact Omar Zinn with questions. Bus ride, Ticket, Tailgate ♦ on your bill, all for \$95. Guests are welcome.
- The Guatemala Dental Project kicks off next week ♦ please consider donating to this effort. Receive an East Chapel Hill custom water bottle with any [\\$100 and larger donation](#). Remember, one of our members has pledged to match the first \$1,000 in donations.
- Nominations for District Governor, 2022 ♦ 2023 may be made now through September 25, 2019. Nominations may come through club-supported resolutions. Please contact Matt Arnold if you wish to make a nominations ♦ after securing the nominees approval.

Speakers

September 06, 2019

Mayor Pam Hemminger
 State of the Town

September 13, 2019

Jodi Magness

More Than Just Mosaics: The Ancient Synagogue at Huqoq in Israel ♦s Galilee

September 27, 2019

Dr. Shelton "Shelley" Earp

Advances in Cancer Research at UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center

Birthdays

Daniel Rockaway
 September 5th

Chris Richards
 September 6th

Robert Spransy
 September 12th

Lawrence Walter Roufai
 September 12th

John R. Frick
 September 13th

Mike Clayton
 September 14th

Nicholas Matthew Vaughn
 September 16th

Courtney H Edwards
 September 16th

Fred W. Kiger
 September 18th

Jodi Magness
 September 19th

Robert B. Ward
 September 21st

Edward Lowdermilk
 September 23rd

Richard Baddour
 September 25th

Felix Muriithi
 September 27th

Tim Smith
 September 29th

Robert Lawrence Krieg
 September 29th

James A. Heavner
 September 30th

Mark E. Moshier
 October 3rd

Club Leaders



[Matthew Arnold](#)
 President



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 President-Elect

[Patrick Phelan](#)
 Secretary

August 23, 2019 Speaker ♦ Adela Stevens

By Ghislaine Duhamel on Wednesday, August 28, 2019

Will Bunch outlined our Youth Services which include RYLA for High School juniors, the 2 essay contests we debuted this year, the about-to-be-launched Interact Club at Isabel Rockaway ♦s high school, and Youth Exchange ♦ an opportunity for high school students to spend either a whole school year or 2 months in the summer in an international exchange.

Scott Reynolds, the District Youth Exchange Chair, explained that we as a club can become involved by helping current inbound students (take to a game or concert or cultural event), spread the word about the upcoming info session on Sept 4th organized by Lorenzo (12 students have signed up so far to find out more about the program), consider being a host family for a third of the school year. For every outbound student we hope to send, we must find 3 host families.

Adele Stevens, age 17, has just returned from a year as an ♦Outbound♦ in Waterloo, Belgium. She is a student at Roxboro Community School which has an Interact Club. Her father came to help run the power point presentation showing photos of her host families, her Waterloo school, photos of the many sights she got to see (not just in Belgium) and the many friends she made most of whom were other exchange students from all over the world. She loved her year abroad and is now fluent in French and knows Brussels like the back of her hand. She answered our questions and displayed the poise and confidence which 10 months of adjusting to a new language and culture far from home can give to a teenager.



Our next Speaker ♦ Mayor Pam Hemminger



Pam Hemminger was elected Mayor in November 2015 after 30 years of service to the Chapel Hill community. Her previous elected offices include terms as an Orange County Commissioner (2008 ♦2012) and as chair and vice chair of the Chapel Hill ♦Carrboro City School Board (2004 ♦2008). She has served on other government bodies including the Town ♦s Parks and Recreation Commission and Greenways Commission and as chair of the Upper Neuse River Basin Authority.

Hemminger ♦s longtime passions include the environment and social justice, and she recently served on the boards of several area nonprofits, including Orange County Habitat for Humanity, the Triangle Land Conservancy, Rainbow Soccer and Historic Moorefields, and is past chairwoman of the Orange-Chatham Sierra Club.

Professionally, she has worked as a business manager in the computer and real estate industries and today owns a small commercial property firm, Windaco Properties LLC. Her experience in administration, financial accounting and budgeting, and property redevelopment has served her well in her various government and nonprofit positions.

Hemminger received her BA from Vanderbilt University in economics and German. She and her husband, Brad were deeply involved in community youth programs while raising Adam, Brian, Carly, and Duncan, all educated in the Chapel Hill ♦Carrboro City Schools and three of them receiving their undergraduate degrees from UNC Chapel Hill.

In her spare time Hemminger is an avid hiker, a competitive tennis player, and cherishes time spent outdoors with her family.



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CCO-Club Comm. Offer



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Club Fellowship Chair



Lorenzo Mejia
Youth Services Chair



Robert Nelson Maitland II
iPast President



Carol J. Rives
Asst Governor

East Chapel Hill
Meets at Hotel Sheraton

Time: Friday at 12:45 PM