



Scuttlebutt

Thursday, February 18, 2021

President Gavin's notes

Greetings friends,

It was great seeing so many of you last Friday for a terrific program highlighted by the annual "Love Extravaganza" hosted by our own Don Heineman and Alan Young. We were also treated to a fantastic presentation by Michael Washington. I am excited about the speakers we have scheduled over the next several months, and I encourage you to keep tuning in.

We continue to mourn the loss of Patty Hill, and I ask that you keep the Hill family in your thoughts and prayers.

I continue to be impressed by all of the good works that our members do in our community and beyond. I am also reminded of what a strong and wonderful network of friends our club is, and am proud of the support that our members offer one another during difficult times. I appreciate your willingness to remain engaged in our club meetings in a virtual format, and continue to look forward to a time when we can safely resume our in-person meetings.

I appreciate all that you do to serve East Chapel Hill Rotary. Together we will strive to thrive despite these uncertain times. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Yours in Rotary,

Gavin Heymann
 President 2020-2021

Announcements

- Our next meal service date at the SECU Family House is 2/18/21. If you are able to serve please use this [Sign-Up Sheet](#).
- As you are aware, our ability to safely meet in-person remains hindered by COVID 19. The East Chapel Hill Rotary Board recently met, and agreed to temporarily reduce our quarterly dues to \$92.50--an amount that covers our obligations to Rotary International, our district, and charitable assessments. Our expenses have been significantly reduced this year due to our inability to host several in-person events, and consequently we remain on a good financial footing. We will readjust our dues accordingly as the situation changes, and we are able to once again meet in person. In the meantime, we wanted to inform you of this change prior to receiving your dues statements in the near future.
- While we had hoped to be transitioning to limited in-person meetings early in the new year, recent COVID trends have hampered those plans. Guidance from our district still strongly discourages in-person meeting, and we agree with this prudent advice. We continue to monitor the situation, and will be poised to meet again physically when it is safe to do so. In the meantime, I ask that you do your best to attend virtually, and reach out to others who may have been absent to encourage them to do the same.

ECHR Love Extravaganza

Alan and Don brought the love again this year. View the recording of this year's Love Extravaganza by clicking the link below.

<https://youtu.be/H4vPhgspdwv>

February 11, 2021 Speaker - Michael Washington

By Will Bunch

Rob Maitland introduced Michael Washington Michael is currently producing three feature length documentaries ♦Save the Dad Bod: A Men's Health Odyssey♦, ♦Harbinger: Stories from the UNC Black Pioneers♦, ♦Who is Willie Cooper? A Player's Story♦, and the short-form interview web series A (dot) Rebel. Today Michael discussed ♦Save the Dad Bod♦.

Michael starts off telling us about falling in love when he was 26 with a beautiful girl who was a theatre major. They were laying down on UNC campus and she felt a lump in his stomach and said he should go to the doctor. Michael passed off this comment as not a big deal and should be okay. Later, the couple had a fight and his fiancée persuaded him to go to the doctor. At the doctor, the lump that Michael didn't think was important, was an 8 ♦ pound tumor, stage 3 kidney cancer and needed to have his kidney removed.

♦Save the Dad Bod♦ is a film about how men tend to not be engaged in their health and are less likely to go to the doctor. This film tackles how in American male culture, men tend to only go to the doctor for very visible concerns such as something being broken or bleeding. Furthermore, women tend to develop more of a relationship with going to the doctor as a necessity for OBGYN annual check-ups. In contrast men are less likely to go to the doctor for regular check-ups and visiting the doctor has a more, ♦if it ain't broke don't fix it♦ attitude.

Below is a link with a short summary of the film created by Michael.

Speakers

Birthdays

- Joel Wagoner
February 19th
- Dennis Ellis
February 21st
- Mary Roodkowsky
February 22nd
- Gavin Christopher Heymann
February 24th
- Steve Hess
February 26th
- Ronald C. Link
February 27th
- William H. Bunch
March 4th
- Donald J. Heineman
March 5th
- Patrick Phelan
March 8th
- William E. Bolen
March 9th
- John Akin
March 10th
- Clifford Roosevelt Butler
March 11th
- Robert Harper Slater
March 11th
- Vannie Kay Hodges
March 13th
- Bruce Todd Granger
March 15th
- Jon K. Jester
March 20th

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<https://vimeo.com/511582108/d5dafa82>

Below is a link with a recording of the zoom call.



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Our next Speaker Ferrel Guillory





Ferrel Guillory, a member of the North Carolina Media and Journalism Hall of Fame, became a household name during his 25 years at the Raleigh News and Observer, then for the next 25 years became a legend in the classroom at UNC.

The professor of the practice, who retired from the UNC Hussman School of Journalism and Media this December, has made that impact in a five-decade career that has spanned roles as a newspaper journalist, policy strategist and educator.

He leaves behind a legacy of award-winning commentary  both in the classroom and on the page  at the intersection of politics, policy and journalism.

Not bad for a Cajun boy born in his grandmother's  house, just beside the Mississippi River.

The entry point started with his high school newspaper, where he served as editor, and continued through his graduation from Loyola University New Orleans and Columbia University in New York, where he received a bachelor's  and master's  degree in journalism, respectively. He was the first in his family to graduate from college.

After college, Guillory landed a job at The New Orleans States-Item in 1970, writing so well that by 1972 Raleigh's [The News & Observer](#) came calling. Guillory had only ever driven through North Carolina, but the newspaper's job offer sounded good, so he moved his family, which included a wife and young daughter by that time, to the Tar Heel State.

Making North Carolina home

The move stuck. He spent the next two decades writing columns on North Carolina and Southern politics and policy and writing editorials for the Pulitzer Prize-winning newspaper in roles ranging from government affairs editor to Washington correspondent to Southern correspondent.

Guillory's work has appeared in The Economist, The New Republic, The New York Times, The Washington Post, and other national publications. Guillory has also contributed chapters to books on the politics of race, on economic transition in tobacco regions and on North Carolina politics and government.

Besides teaching, Guillory did his own part to help with the future of journalism by co-founding [Education NC](#), a nonprofit online organization that delivers news and policy analysis on Pre-K to 12 and post-secondary trends and issues.

Zoom Information

Topic: East Chapel Hill Rotary Club Meeting
Time: Feb 19, 2021 12:45 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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East Chapel Hill
Meets at Chapel Hill Country Club

Time: Friday at 12:45 PM