



Scuttlebutt

Thursday, March 25, 2021

President Gavin's notes

Greetings friends,

We enjoyed another terrific meeting last Friday highlighted by our own Bill Bolen who showcased his musical talents and shared many unique experiences. Thanks to Bill for agreeing to step in on short notice. A special thanks as well to Jennifer Player for sharing her member minute. Our goal is to continue to offer insights into the unique lives of the exceptional people who make up our group. I am excited about the speakers we have scheduled over the next several months, and I encourage you to keep tuning in.

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 4/15/21. If you are able to serve please use this [Sign-Up Sheet](#).
- I understand that Paul Ransford is slowly making improvements in his health, and is welcoming calls. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.
- The ECHR board has approved the following people for membership:
 - Marvin Carver
 - Steve Day
 - Meg Ostrom
 - Robert Owen
- Our club is a selling partner with the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Sunrise Club for their annual Rubber Duck Race fundraiser. As a selling partner we will receive 50% of the money raised from ducks sold by our members. Here are more details on this event, and an order form is attached to this email.
 - Checks and completed order forms can be mailed to:
 - Dave Stuckey
 411 James Street
 Carrboro NC 27510
 - Checks should be payable to: **Sunrise Rotary**.
 - The deadline for orders and payment to be received is **May 31**. Please remember to remit the full payment for the orders.
 - Rubber Duck Race Day is **Saturday, June 5**.
- 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.

Sergeant-at-Arms Laurie Paolicelli

The Sergeant-At-Arms, Laurie Paolicelli, graciously agreed to take on the duty at almost the last minute due to a cancellation. Laurie not only did an excellent job and saved the day, but she also chose a topic, Nostalgia, that fit exceptionally with the speaker's treatment of music from the Golden Age. Laurie had slides that tripped the memories of Chapel Hill over the years for everyone. She noted everything from the murals to the flower ladies. To me, the interesting message of the presentation was how everyone seems to believe the Chapel Hill they first arrived in was the best Chapel Hill. That realization leads to the positive suggestion that, no matter how it changes, Chapel Hill will always be the best.

March 19, 2021 Speaker & Performer - Bill Bolen

Speakers

March 26, 2021

[Ricky Moore](#)
 Seafood so Good, You Can Even Taste it via Zoom

April 09, 2021

[Anne Jones & Dan Gonzalez](#)
 A new model to meet the education challenge of our time.

Birthdays

- Chislaine Duhamel
March 27th
- Thomas Leuchtenburg
March 30th
- Mathew R Groseclose
March 30th
- Brian Kileff
March 31st
- Michael Maxwell
April 7th
- Walter W. Mallett
April 9th
- Paul Milam
April 9th
- Dan Jared Deacon
April 10th
- William B. Aycock II
April 16th
- Matthew Arnold
April 19th
- Elizabeth Henke
April 19th
- James Fine
April 19th
- Albert F. Freund Jr.
April 21st
- W. Mark Hunt
April 21st
- Will Bunch
April 23rd
- Bryan Gilliam
April 23rd

Club Leaders



Gavin Christopher Heymann
 President



Patrick Phelan
 President-Elect



Omar Zinn
 Secretary



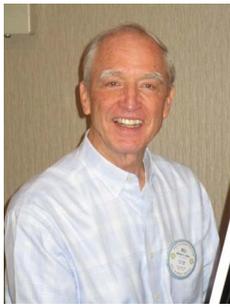
Courtney H Knoll
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Christine Diane Jones
 Club Director

Laurie Paolicelli

By John Akin



On March 19 we had a very special program. One of our own took over the assignment of giving the presentation at short notice and provided a performance that was both informative and moving. Bill Bolen described how he sustained a musical career as a performer and band leader over a half century while also carrying on a life full of other activities and relationships. He also provided us with a very informative discussion of how music and the world around us changed during that time.

Bill Bolen is from Charlotte, which adds to his life experience the fact of it all happening to a person spending most of his life living in North Carolina. Bill started playing music as a performer with bands in 1958, when he was still in school at Myers Park in Charlotte, as a drummer. He had also been playing piano since he was 7 or 8 years old, so almost inevitably he moved into the role of the band's pianist, the role that he played in other bands throughout his career. Even though he made little mention of it, we know that his piano playing at our Rotary events over the years has added an element to our club that is both joyful and important.

Bill came to UNC in the class of '67, studying history music and religion. That he had time during his renowned musical career to complete a divinity degree at Duke (in 1970), study music at Indiana University and came back to UNC for a Masters degree in music education (in 1974) is amazing. But in true Bill Bolen form he downplayed how impressive and exceptional this path was.

Bill's talk was one of those events that had to be experienced to be fully appreciated, and I will not attempt to explain the musical sounds or the exceptional love of life and music made obvious by Bill's presentation. Let me just say that the most important insights of those of us watching were how amazingly talented Bill is, how truly modest he is in talking about himself and his life, and how lucky we are to have this talented and modest man in our club.

Although he considers himself retired, Bill is still the bandleader, of choice and by demand, at the debutante ball every year.

The main substantive points of Bills talk that stick in my mind are:

- 1) Music is to be loved and enjoyed, and almost every type of music is valuable and worthwhile.
- 2) Each type of music has sounds that differ from other types, but most musical forms are differentiated mainly by a few characteristics that are notable in almost all the music of that category.
- 3) Almost all popular music, since at least the late 1940s, has a strong foundation in early U.S. Black music, mostly the Blues.
- 4) Bill's strongest musical influences were the Black bands around Charlotte when he was growing up.
- 5) The other main influence on popular music came from Latin music from the islands near the U. S.
- 6) A strong case can be made that the period from the late 40s to the early 70s was the Golden Age of Music and that the range of music during those years was wide and not constrained to any particular type.
- 7) Bill loves almost every type of music, but most of all he values his musical experience for the people he has met and come to know.

To watch the recording, click the below link.

<https://youtu.be/Bb-mDCDk2s8>

Our next Speaker - Ricky Moore

North Carolinian Ricky Moore aspired to be an artist. But like most best laid plans, things didn't work out that way. Moore's family was always cooking and Moore found himself cooking, too, as part of the 82nd Airborne. After traveling the world with the military, Moore used the GI Bill and graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in 1994. He's a veteran of some of the most important kitchens of the past 20 years, such as Daniel and Tru.

Moore headed home and got back to basics by opening his own restaurant, Saltbox Seafood Joint, a pristine and well-equipped shack. The whole grilled fish and deep-fried broccoli all served through a small window are miracles of Moore's Joint. The authenticity that trendy young urban chefs are searching for in their souls and kitchens is served in a cardboard dish in Durham.



Zoom Information

Topic: East Chapel Hill Rotary Club Meeting
Time: Mar 26, 2021 12:45 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86439402715?pwd=VCttZ2FpMVVrS0tyZzJSV2tYa1p4dz09>

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East Chapel Hill

Meets at Chapel Hill Country Club

Time: Friday at 12:45 PM