

# Rotary Club of Alamance

## Gold Club

Rotary International Presidential Citation  
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## Club News

### May 19, 2015 Meeting

President Sang Ho Lee conducted the meeting. Steve Carter gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

### Guests and Visitors

- Visiting Rotarian: Dick Fisher, Fisher Wealth Management
- Visitor: Brendle Leggett attended with Debbie Porch
- Prospective Member: Heidi Norwick, United Way of Alamance County

### General Announcements

- To view member birthdays and anniversaries, [click here](#).
- Pete Sergeant - Lost job? "You may qualify for mortgage help while you look for work or retrain". More info: [NCForeclosurePrevention.gov](http://NCForeclosurePrevention.gov)
- Ed Woodall is back after birth of son.
- Chuck Stedman's stepmother passed. Visitation on Wednesday 5/20 from 5-7 pm at Rich and Thompson in Burlington. [Click here for obituary](#).
- Seeking host for female exchange student from Taiwan. Can host for full term (10 months) or split with others. Contact Katie Dukeshire for more info.

### Happy Clams

- Ed Woodall: Birth of "happy, healthy and at-home" baby boy. The 'stats': 9lb, 3oz / 21.5 inches
- Master Lee jested that he knows the baby's stats better than Ed.

### Upcoming Programs

- May 26 : Randy Perkins

- June 2: Chief Smythe
- June 9: Sam Powell



## **Debbie Porch: Wife, Mother, Staffing Expert, and Rotarian**

Debbie has been a Rotarian since 2009. She is a Gibsonville native and a life-long local. She has been married 22 years to Chuck. They have one daughter in Maine with three “grand babies.” Debbie is employed at Prime Personnel Resources and has 20 years in staffing industry.

## **Program: Heidi Norwick, Executive Director of the United Way of Alamance County**

Heidi was born and raised in Franklin Square, New York. She moved to Burlington in 1993. She has been married to Howie for 31 years and has 3 grown children, 2 sweet dogs. She assumed her current position on July 1, 2014. Heidi joined U.W. in 2012 as Director of Community Impact. Prior to going to work for the U.W., Heidi served as Executive Director of the Women’s Resource Center (Ala. Co.) for 16 years.

Most recently she was awarded the Founder’s Award by W.R.C. for dedication to mentoring others in leadership and for an impactful career in non-profit work.

She also served on Alamance County Community Assessment team since 2003. She serves on the Vision Plan for Public Education team for ABSS, on advisory committees for Elon University and Alamance Comm. College, is active as an Alamance County Chamber of Commerce Member, and serves on number of committees and assists with Health and Human Service Day for Leadership Alamance. In addition, she serves on Alamance County Children’s Executive Oversight Committee, serves on Healthy Alamance Board of Directors, the IMPACT Alamance Advisory Committee, the Alamance County Interagency Council on Homelessness, and on various other committees and boards focusing in the areas of Health, Education and Financial Stability.



United Way’s (UW) mission statement simplified:

- Take the pulse of the community.
- Diagnose the ailments.
- Prescribe the remedy.
- Work on solutions and preventions so that issues don’t keep recurring.

UW partners with many community organizations to “gauge the pulse and diagnose the ailments” of Alamance County. Local and state data on human service needs is compiled every 3 years to set UW’s course and funding priorities in the community. Next community assessment release in the following weeks. Expect media coverage. UW conducts annual grant application process to aid nonprofits working in

priority areas: health, education and financial stability. Poverty rate in Alamance County is 19.5%. Kids in poverty: 29.2%. Recently, UW announced an additional allocation of \$200k. Money not taken from endowment, but 'extra' money from tight budgeting during economic downturn.

UW also provides several direct services:

- Volunteer tax prep. For low-income, disabled, veterans and elderly. Out of 306 total returns filed, UW brought in over \$300K total state and federal returns for our community.
- Manage average of \$70K Federal emergency food and shelter funds annually
- Duke energy funds – over \$240k distributed this past year through community partners. NC211.org and 2-1-1 phone number: database of programs we manage for Alamance County resources.
- Community guide to assistance
- Project Homeless Connect THIS Thursday, May 21, at Holy Comforter Church in Burlington  
 “When the community is in crisis and needs solutions...they look to United Way for the answers...”



### Card Drawing

Card Drawing: Sam Holt drew 6 of Diamonds. Only 48 cards stand between you and the pot.

### Closing

Master Lee commends Randy Perkins and others for impact in community. “We’re not just a check-writing club.” Master Lee strongly encouraged every member to donate \$100 to EREY by next week. He jokes that members who don’t comply will have to deal with his feet of fury. Master Lee offered to sponsor children at his studio through United Way. As is our custom, we all stood to recite the Rotary Four Way Test, which was led by President Lee, who afterward adjourned the meeting. Until we meet again...

## Club Related Dates

### District and Club Business

- **2nd Tuesday of Each Month** - For officers and committee chairs, 11 am until Noon.
- **June 30, 2015** - Installation of New Officers and Board

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

May	Birthdays	May	Wedding Anniversaries
2	Angela Parham	3	Brad and Mel Moser Micah and Kari Fox

4	Philip Smith	26	Mike and Barbara Dunning
20	Pete Sargent	30	Richard and Stacy White
23	Sam Holt		
27	David Moore		

Want to see when you have program speaker responsibilities? Simply click on the Programs Schedule link below or the same link on the menu above.

## [Programs Schedule](#)



Meets on Tuesdays from Noon until 1 PM at 40 West Grill in the Ramada Inn in Burlington, NC

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