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Club News

June 2, 2015 Meeting

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

Guests and Visitors

- None this week

General Announcements

- President Lee mentioned recent and upcoming member birthdays and anniversaries. To review them, please [click here](#).
- Congrats to Micah and Kari Fox on the birth of their daughter, Liza Gail, on May 28! She weighed 7 lb. 8 oz. and was 19.25 inches long.
- Next Tuesday at 11 am, the present and new board will meet with President-Elect Katie Dukeshire presiding. We look forward to giving Katie the same support previous presidents have enjoyed. She, the new officers, and new board for 2015-16 will be installed on the last Tuesday of June with Asst. District Governor Phil Moseley presiding.



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Upcoming Programs

- June 9: Sam Powell
- June 16: Deva Reece
- June 23: Brad Moser

Happy Clams

- Katie Dukeshire thanked Carolyn, Ryan, Micah, and Lane for helping her finish the paperwork to submit three grant applications to the district for the coming year for a total of \$6746. These will cover Feed the Hunger, the ACC Scholarship Fund, and Sustainable Alamance. The District will match our contribution.
- Deva Reece was thankful that last Friday Nall Printing's client list and business was turned over to his company, Sir Speedy Printing.
- Sang Ho Lee took twenty-seven students to Greenville, NC to participate in a tournament in martial arts competition, two-thirds of which earned gold medals. Over five hundred competed.

Jeffrey Smythe: Husband, Father, BPD Chief, and Rotarian

Jeff began his law enforcement career when he was a student at Arizona State University, where he holds a bachelor's degree in justice studies. "I grew up in an FBI family," Smythe said, and everyone expected him to follow in his father's footsteps. After moving from his home in Philadelphia to multiple locations in Florida, Alabama, Virginia and then Arizona for his father's Federal Bureau of Investigation career, Smythe said he didn't want to be in the FBI. He did, however, respect his dad. "He was a fantastic role model for his character (and) his work ethic," Smythe said. While he was in college at Arizona State, Smythe was inspired to become a police officer.



Program: BPD's 8 Strategic Planning Pillars

During March and April, 2015, the Burlington Police Department hosted seven public meetings and two internal meetings for strategic planning. Approximately 150 residents attended the public sessions and over 80 employees attended the nine total sessions. During these sessions 650 ideas were generated, which were assembled and categorized into eight pillars, each containing a number of strategic directions. Moving forward those strategic directions will have identified action items and tasks spaced out over the five year period. Members of the Leadership Team will be assigned as "Champions" for the various strategic directions and the budget impact will be assessed also.

We had an extensive Q & A time since several members expressed keen interest in several areas. Chief Smythe was asked how difficult is it for our department to recruit and keep quality officers. He said that in 2008 we were losing officers to other municipalities because we had a low pay scale. A twelve percent pay hike solved that problem. Now we lose about one officer per month for various reasons, such as career changes and retirement. Chief said it costs about \$200K to replace an officer due to the high costs of training. He thinks it is well worth the cost to pay officers enough to retain them. Since becoming Chief, he has been able to bring on 50% minorities with the new hires, which is significant progress. Our department was 78% white male when his tenure began. Chief Smythe also talked about gang activity and traffic cameras. In addition, he mentioned the part ACC plays in officer training.

At the end of the presentation, President Lee presented Chief Smythe with a plaque to show our appreciation.



Card Drawing

Francois Masuka held the winning ticket # 952, but unfortunately drew the 10 of Spades. Only 46 cards stand between you and the pot. Your odds are getting better every week.

Closing

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 next week...

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

June	Birthdays	June	Wedding Anniversaries
5	Sam Powell	2	Pete and Martha Beck
9	Paul Mauney	5	Steve and Judy Carter
13	Betty Andrews	7	Chuck and Vicki Stedman
19	Don Jennings	17	Sid and Ann Little
22	Mac Williams	23	Mark and Judy LaFerriere David and Cathy Moore Brian and Patty Dement
23	Dale Greeson	24	Dale and Ellen Greeson
30	Randy Perkins	25	Philip and Rene Smith
		28	Bonnie and Jerry Whitaker

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

Club 6090, District 7690 Piedmont NC

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