

Rotary Club of Alamance

Gold Club

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Club News

July 7, 2015 Meeting

President Katie Dukeshire opened the meeting. Peter Barcus gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Guests and Visitors

- District Governor Nominee Lloyd Navarro (2017-18)
- Matthew Banko visited for the second time. He was Dale Greeson's guest, is the Controller at ACC, and is a prospective member.
- Gary Brant, Ed Woodall's guest, works for the Community Blood Center, which supplies ARMC and Cone Hospitals. Ed said he is experienced at putting together golf tournaments. Hopefully he will join the club and help us out in that department.

General Announcements

- President Dukeshire mentioned recent and upcoming member birthdays and anniversaries, which are listed [here](#).
- She then presented a gift to Past President Sang Ho Lee commemorating his service to the club.
- Katie said today was the last day to sign up for the Family of Rotary baseball game coming up in Greensboro.

Upcoming Programs

- July 14 - Pete Sargent: Carol Young from the Dept. of Justice / NC Attorney General's Office Regarding Information on Scams & Frauds
- July 21 - Stuart Sioussat
- July 28 - Lane Jones: Rotary Update - Public Image Presentation



Happy Clams

- Dick O'Donnell - Kudos to the US Women's Soccer Team for the recent World Cup victory. One of the players hails from Dick's Alma Mater, Portland University.
- Dean Jones - The Snow Camp Outdoor Theatre had a great opening weekend.
- Carolyn Rhode gave a shout out to Ryan Keur and the Burlington Royals. She and the family attended a game on the Fourth.
- Susan Watson said she is glad to be a member of the club and also gave a shout out to the Burlington Royals. The Women's Resource Center is the featured Non-Profit on Saturday.

Peter Barcus: The Treasurer's Report



Only Peter Barcus can take a treasurer's report and make it fun. He first let us know that our membership application is no longer called a green card because it is no longer green. Makes sense. He also informed us that our quarterly billings will be for the same amount each quarter from now on, the figure being \$186.65. Each member is encouraged to give an additional \$100 to the Rotary Foundation each year so that we can maintain our 100% Sustaining Status. You can do this online at the RI website, or, if you include the extra amount in your quarterly check, Peter will forward it to the right place.

The budget makes some assumptions.

1. We will average at least 53 members.
2. 8% will end up being uncollectable for one reason or another, not a good figure for a club that stands for integrity. We can do better.
3. We will average 36 members being at our lunch meetings, which allows the club to pocket the lunch fees of those who are absent. This is consistently our biggest "fund raiser."
4. Assumes lunch prices will remain the same, which now are \$10.29 per week.

This year the club set a goal of raising at least \$5800 using various events. Essentially we have a break even budget and about \$15,000 in savings for emergencies or whatever we choose.

Angela Parham: Greensboro Native, Wife, Mother, Business Woman, Rotarian

Angela grew up in Greensboro and earned her business degree at UNC Chapel Hill. She has been married to her husband, Tommy, for seventeen years. They have three daughters: Kaitlyn, Carolyn, and Mary Catherine. She worked at Wachovia Bank for fifteen years, serving in a variety of capacities, including branch and district manager positions. After the birth of her third daughter, she took a five-year break from the corporate world to raise her family. Last year she accepted a position with Burlington Christian Academy, where her daughters attend. She is their Corporate Partnership Manager. She said she is looking forward to being more involved in the club in the future.



Program: Craig Edwards' Liver Transplant Story

Craig Edwards was on hand today with his wife Bethany to tell us about his difficult year and a half journey toward receiving a liver transplant last February. He attended UNCG. Bethany is a Burlington native. They have three children and attend Trinity Worship Center. In February 2014, he discovered that he was in end-stage liver failure due to a genetic disorder. He was told he would need a transplant in 2-3 years. In November 2014, he developed a serious clot in the portal vein to the liver, which eliminated the possibility of receiving a partial transplant from a relative. He would need a complete liver with its portal vein to survive. In January 2015 he became disoriented at work due to increasing liver failure and was given 2-3 months to live without a transplant. He and his wife began a campaign with Fox8 to find a directed donor, which is when a person chooses to donate to another person specifically. It is very rare for this to happen, but that is exactly what eventually took place. On February 19, 2015 a woman died. Her family was asked

if they knew of anyone they would want to have the liver.

A youth minister remembered seeing Craig's name on Facebook and recommended him. Even though there is only about a one percent chance of such a liver being a match, it worked perfectly! This is the first time anyone ever received a transplant using social media.



Craig said that he had peace throughout the entire ordeal, even joking with the doctors about not fumbling his liver. He said that his church and many others were praying, and that he and his wife never lost faith; although, at times things looked bleak. His recovery was nothing short of miraculous. Since that time, he met the family of the donor, whose name was Candy Sims. Craig is now in the process of setting up the Gift of Hope and Life Foundation to help others who need transplants to find donors. He recommended going to DonateLifeNC.com to set yourself up to be an organ and skin donor. He said he is very thankful to God and to the community which supported him so strongly.

At the end of his presentation, President Dukeshire told him that a children's book will be donated by our club in his honor to a local school or agency.

Card Drawing

Susan Watson's table held the winning ticket, but she failed to pull the elusive winning card. Now only 44 cards stand between you, the jack of hearts, 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 Dukeshire, 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.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

July	Birthdays	July	Wedding Anniversaries
3	Dan Seiler	3	Gail and Jerry Moore
15	Philip Stewart	31	Don and Beth Jennings
30	Ryan Keur		

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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