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- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration

THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

DRC PROGRAM CALENDAR

11/12 – Veterans Day Program

Major General Lon E. ‘Bert’ Maggart,
SVP – Operations - RTI

Introduction: Wanda Winslow, VP – DTCC
Moderator: Walter Shackelford

11/19 – Board Meeting – 11:30am

11/19 – Thanksgiving Day Program

Donovan Drake, Pastor, Trinity Presbyterian
Introduction: Sam Nichols

11/26 – NO Rotary – Holiday Observance

12/03 - Lloyd Schmeidler, Urban Ministries

“Homelessness in Durham: Myths, Realities & Ending It.”
Introduction: Mark Higgins

12/10 – Radio Media Panel

Moderator: Professor Philip Meyer, UNC
Walter Sturdivant, General Manager WCHL
George Boosey, Program Director – WUNC
Bill McClatchey – McClatchey Broadcasting

12/17 – Holiday Music Program

Durham School of the Arts
Introduction: Scott Hill

12/24 & 12/31 – No Meeting–Holiday Observance

SERVICE SCHEDULE: 11/12 & 11/19

Musician:	Walter Shackelford	Walter Shackelford
Invocation:	Don Stanger	
S-a-A Report:	Kristine Browne	Kristine Browne
	Walker Teele	Walker Teele
Program Write-up:	Arles Taylor	Arles Taylor



DRC Raffle - Supports The RI Foundation Programs and Projects

Voluntary Contribution: \$1/ticket; \$5/6 tickets
Proceeds: ½ to RI Foundation; ½ to Winner
11/05 Total Receipts: \$100.00
Winner: Shelly Weitz

The CART Fund – 11/05 Total Receipts: \$18.95
(Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust)

11/05/07 –

“MAYORAL MEMORIES” - Wense Grabarek

Former Durham Mayor Wense Grabarek spoke to the Club on Monday, November 5, 2007. He was introduced by Rotarian David Ross. Mr. Grabarek's wife, Marian Norris Grabarek, attended with him.



Mr. Grabarek began his presentation by describing his time on the city council, from 1957-1961. He participated in the establishment of the first long range planning committee and in early development projects in Durham. During this time, a request came to the city of Durham to provide water to the Research Triangle Park. After many close votes, authorization was provided for five million gallons of water per day to the Research Triangle Park. This was a significant contribution by the city of Durham to the development of the Research Triangle Park.

Mr. Grabarek then discussed another incident on the city council. A request for \$140,000 for water and sewer came to his attention. He was informed that there was no money available for this request. But, upon further investigation, it was learned that a separate fund was maintained, which was not available to the whole city council. To resolve this matter, Mayor Grabarek ultimately had to go public with concerns over this issue. This resulted in \$1,400,000 back in the city budget, which was used for road improvements, among other projects.

Mr. Grabarek was then persuaded to run for mayor, and in 1963 defeated Watts Carr in a close race. Two days before he was to be installed as mayor, a critical situation in race relations in Durham occurred. A near riot situation was developing in Durham near the jail and then Mayor Evans was not available. Mayor-elect Grabarek showed up to observe African-Americans on one side of the street and whites on the other. After inquiry, he determined that a Mr. Hugh Thompson was a spokesperson for the African-American demonstrators who were present. At issue was the opportunity to provide sandwiches and cigarettes to demonstrators who were in jail from an earlier demonstration. An agreement was worked out in which two police officers and two demonstrators were to provide sandwiches and cigarettes to the prisoners, and these were delivered. Mayor Grabarek sought Mr. Thompson's help in asking the demonstrators to leave and to return to a meeting the next week.

At the meeting with representatives of the African-American community, Mayor Grabarek met with Floyd McKissick, Sr. Mayor Grabarek learned of several requests from Mr. McKissick related to the possible installation of African-American employees in city hall and at Sears and Roebuck. While making the requested changes in employment was not viewed as possible, Mayor Grabarek called a meeting with civic leaders to take on the issue of segregation. He was determined to measure the heart and conscience of the community on the issue of segregation and named a committee of 11 to explore the matter. He also called upon his mayoral opponent, Watts Carr, to chair the committee. After a short period of time, the committee came back with a recommendation to pursue voluntary integration as a target for Durham. The committee broke into several subcommittees based upon different economic areas, in that targets for integration were local businesses involved with accommodating the public. In an effort to integrate the Center and Carolina Theaters, a plan was developed by one subcommittee with the help of an African-American school teacher named Ms. Bess McLaurin. It was proposed that over a series of nights that two African-American students would attend the theater, followed by four the next night, and so on, over a period of nights. After a while, and upon observation of no violent incidents, the theater committee and theater owners voluntarily agreed to pursue integration. Mayor Grabarek thus noted that it was these efforts, and not a court order, that led to the integration of the Carolina Theater. *[Continued on reverse side]*

Poinsettias



The annual sale to benefit the club Scholarship Fund begins today (11/12). This year Mary Holderness and Gaston Warner will serve as co-chairs under the tutelage of Lois Cranford who is serving as honorary co-chair. Please review the details on the order sheets found on the tabletops. Poinsettias will be delivered December 3. Please make checks payable to Durham Rotary Club. (If paying in cash, the exact amount will greatly expedite the process.)

New Member Orientation – November 12

Anyone who has joined recently but has not attended an Orientation Session is invited to a session to be held Monday, November 12 from **11:15am-12:15pm** in Board Room II in the Durham Civic Center. Contact Troy Livingston (220-5429 Ext 3328) or troy.livingston@ncmls.org.

Mayoral Memories - [Continuation from page 1]

Summing up, then, Mayor Grabarek noted that the city of Durham was well ahead of the nation in that in May-June of 1963 Durham voluntarily desegregated all public accommodations. This occurred more than one year before the enactment of the first civil rights act by Congress. Durham's effort made nationwide, and indeed even international, news. CBS reported from Durham on June 9, 1963 concerning the efforts of Durham's committee on voluntary integration. A prominent Durham citizen, Mary Semans, learned of Durham's efforts while traveling in the Middle East.

Mr. Grabarek then went on to describe another area in which Durham was a national leader. Particularly, Durham led the nation with stocked shelter locations during the Cold War. The city worked closely with Duke University, American Tobacco, and other local corporations to establish shelter locations.

Mr. Grabarek then went on to describe other significant events that occurred during his tenure as mayor. Particularly, in an effort combat poverty, he worked with a local developer to rezone a residential area on 15/501 for commercial use. This area eventually became South Square Mall, which provided an economic engine for Durham for many years. Additionally, during Mayor Grabarek's terms in office, he participated in the development of consensus among his constituents to provide for the annexation of Hope Valley and Croasdaile, which enhanced the economic base for Durham. Another accomplishment involved the recruiting of Liggett Myers' corporate headquarters to Roxboro.

Mr. Grabarek was elected mayor four times, ultimately serving from 1963 through 1971. His efforts and those of others enabled the city of Durham to show leadership and to serve as an example for other communities across our nation during turbulent times. His presentation ended in a standing ovation.

Respectfully submitted, Arles Taylor

November – ROTARY FOUNDATION Monthwww.rotary.org

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.

President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson's Message

November 2007 – The Rotarian

The Rotary Foundation is the engine that drives Rotary's international humanitarian service. Without the Foundation, many of Rotary's signature programs wouldn't exist. There would be no PolioPlus, no Humanitarian Grants, no Ambassadorial Scholarships, no Rotary World Peace Fellowships. Without the Foundation, Rotary would be a very different and less powerful force for good in the world.



As Rotarians, we give generously, yet we gain so much more: the pleasure of helping others, the satisfaction of knowing that we're doing the right thing, the joys of fellowship and friendship. As club members, we gain the global power of Rotary in our service – the power of more than 1.2 million Rotarians all over the world, each a potential partner in our projects.

I have long been a great believer in the Foundation. As early as 1980, I was involved with one of the very first Health, Hunger and Humanity Grants, immunizing children in southern India against red measles. As a trustee, I traveled the world promoting the Foundation's programs and assessing projects. Over and over, I saw the real, direct difference that Foundation resources made in Rotarians' work.

I call on every one of you, as Rotarians, to choose this month to make your annual gift to the Foundation – and to make a gift not only this year but every year to come. I take this commitment very seriously myself; my wife and I have contributed at the Major Donor level, and all our children are Paul Harris Fellows. All of us know firsthand exactly how much our gift means and how much it strengthens the organization that we care about so deeply. As RI president, I feel a special responsibility to promote Every Rotarian, Every Year, which has been so successful already in increasing support for our Foundation. I'm confident that this year, we can meet our goal of US\$120 million – an average gift of \$100 from every Rotarian.

It's a basic principle of Rotary that we can do much more together than we could ever do alone. The Rotary Foundation allows us to pool our resources, help each other, and thereby reach heights of service that would be simply unattainable otherwise. The Foundation is there for all of us, and it's our responsibility to be there for it. And that's why each of us must answer the call of Every Rotarian, Every Year.

[I n 1917, RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed that an endowment be set up "for the purpose of doing good in the world." In 1928, when the endowment fund had grown to more than US\$5,000, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International. Five Trustees, including Klumph, were appointed to "hold, invest, manage, and administer all of its property . . . as a single trust, for the furtherance of the purposes of RI." Two years later, the Foundation made its first grant of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen, later grew into the Easter Seals. . .]

★ Birthdays – November

03 Lloyd Gurley	10 Arthur Whitehurst	16 Bill Joklik
08 Mike Estep	11 Bob Bratcher	18 George Lawrence
08 Gaston Warner	14 Alan Reckhow	18 Ernie Mills
09 Bert Collins	14 Earl Tye	24 Jack Hughes
10 Chuck Kitchen	16 Earl Dowell	25 Charles Curry

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS REPORT -11/05

Speaker: Wense Grabarek & (Marian Grabarek)

Visiting Rotarians:

Craige Summers – SW Durham
Wells Greeley – Waynesville, NC

Guests of Members:

Coolidge Elkins David Ross
Dot Hughes Harding Hughes
Florence Shackelford Walter Shackelford
Lou Rollins, Steve Toler Sam Miglarese
Tom Hadzor, Wes Brown Susan Ross

November 5 – Attendance Report

Total Members	209
Active Number used for attendance	185
Members Present	93
Attendance	50.27%

Proposed Member – 2ND Posting

Bruce E. Smith - The Salvation Army - Minister/Director
Classification: Non-profit Management
Sponsor: Howard Clement

Proposed Members:

Jose L. Lopez, Sr. - City of Durham - Chief of Police
Classification: Municipal Government – Administration
Sponsor: Steve Chalmers

Meg Solera (Former member of Los Altos, CA Rotary Club)
Classification: Community Volunteer (Girl Scouts)
Sponsor: Susan Ross

Jose Solera - Symantec Corporation, IT Program Director
Classification: Information Technology
Sponsor: Susan Ross

Emric 'Rick' Jorgensen, CPA
Hutchings & Hutchings, CPA - Classification: CPA
Sponsor: Phil Hutchings

2007-2008 RI & DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

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