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A Message from the Dean

Dr. Cheryl Richards, CEO & Regional Dean

By: John Galles

This month is a very special one for Northeastern University-Charlotte (NU-Charlotte), as it marks the one-year anniversary of their campus opening! Proud to be in Uptown, and proud of the innovative educational and research partnerships they are building within the Charlotte community.



The Charlotte Campus is home to more than 100 graduate students taking classes in 8 masters programs and through customized corporate programs. Holding true to their mission of providing professional graduate degree programs in fields that are aligned with the growing industries of the Charlotte region, NU-Charlotte is offering degrees in innovative and convenient formats for busy working professionals. NU-Charlotte students enjoy

the flexibility of 100% online programs (MBA, Finance, Taxation), or hybrid course options that blend the best of classroom and online learning formats (Project Management, Health Informatics, Education, Leadership and Sports Leadership). All programs are infused with opportunities for students to apply theoretical concepts in their daily professional environments.

Over the past year, the Charlotte campus has welcomed more than 500 business leaders and patrons through their doors at the corner of Trade & Tryon, and hosted various gatherings--including Charlotte Chamber of Commerce events; business trainings for organizations such as Wells Fargo, The Shaw Group, Inc., Compass Group and CPCC; and PMP exam-prep courses through the PMI Metrolina Chapter. During the Democratic National Convention in September, the campus served as the headquarter hospitality venue for Charlotte Mayor Anthony Foxx and Governor of Massachusetts Deval Patrick.

This fall, the campus launched its new **Local Leaders Global Impact Speaker Series**, bringing together local leaders in the Charlotte community with globally-recognized faculty at Northeastern. The September series on transit featured Carolyn Flowers, director of public transit for the City of Charlotte and CEO of the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS); and Michael Dukakis, former Massachusetts governor and Distinguished Fellow of the Dukakis Center for Urban and Regional Policy at Northeastern. Its October program on Innovation & Entrepreneurship featured Dave Jones, CEO of Peak 10; and Dan Gregory, faculty advisor of the IDEA Venture Accelerator at Northeastern. On Thursday, Nov. 29, its series will continue with a discussion on family business and succession planning featuring Northeastern alumnus Ron Norelli, president and CEO of Norelli & Company, along with Dr. Kimberly Eddleston, associate editor of the Journal of Family Business Strategy and associate professor at Northeastern.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

2012-2013

Program Chair: Ed Driggs

1Qtr Edwin Peacock

2Qtr Colleen Brannan

3Qtr Bob Freeman

4Qtr Bill Constangy

NOVEMBER 2012

20th **Thanksgiving Program**

Colleen Brannan, Tim Newman,
Meg McElwain

27th **How I Got Where I'm At**

George Cochran, Ty Hands,
Martin Waters

DECEMBER 2012

4th **Casey Crawford**

Former Carolinas Panthers
and CEO New American
Mortgage

11th **Pat Riley**

President and COO
Allen Tate

12:30 Tuesday

Crowne Plaza – 201 S. McDowell Street

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The NU-Charlotte campus is committed to serving the diverse needs of organizations and businesses in the Charlotte region. They are currently establishing alliances with many sports-related associations--including ESPN-U, the Charlotte Sports Commission, and the Charlotte Bobcats, Checkers and Panthers.

They are also committed to building talent within regional businesses and industries through their signature co-op and career services programs, which have been ranked #1 in the U.S. by The Princeton Review. Businesses and organizations like Clean Air Carolina, Wells Fargo, Liberty Mutual Insurance, Premier Healthcare and Peak 10 are finding new ways to widen their talent pipeline through 6-month full-time co-op positions or shorter part-time postings.

They are most happy to be in Charlotte, NC.

Head Table: Quincy Foil, Kathy Boone, Marilyn Bowler, Tony Zeiss, Davan Cloninger, Stephanie Hinrichs; Invocation: Chris Kemper
 Visitors & Guests: Rick Handford; Health, Happiness & History: Tony Zeiss; Song: Biff Virkler; Photos: Bert Voswinkel
 AV: Jessica Dupree & Nikki Keith

ELECTION OF CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The slate of officers presented by the Nominating committee was approved by the membership on November 13, 2012. There were no nominations from the floor and the membership will vote to accept the slate by show of hands on December 11, 2012.

President 2014-2015	P. Anthony Zeiss
Secretary 2013-2014	Thomas M. Bartholomy
Treasurer 2013-2014	Paul C. Schmidt
Directors 2013-2015	Karen Bentley, Bill Gill, Marcus Lee, Russell Ranson, Jenn Snyder, Phil Van Hoy, Biff Virkler

CLUB NEWS

→ Sympathy and prayers are extended to Bill and **Catherine Browning**. Catherine's daughter-in-law, Anne Barnhardt, passed away on Monday and funeral services will be held in Greensboro this Friday. The club also sends condolences to **Kelly Mirt**, whose mother, Mae Hallene Mirt, passed away over the weekend.

→ **Bobby Lancaster** and **Mark Norman** kicked off the annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing - November 19 to December 7 on the Square. The schedule is on the website (www.charlotterotary.org). Please contact Mark with changes/additions.

→ **Luther Fincher** introduced the club's newest member, **Claire Blocker**. Claire is president and founder of HeartBright Foundation and can be reached at Claire@heartbright.org. Welcome!

→ Classroom Central celebrates ten years of service with a gala on November 17th, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at The Urban Garden, 1 Bank of America Center. Tickets are \$125 per person. RSVP to www.classroomcentral.org. Volunteers needed for Creek ReLeaf on November 17th from 9 a.m. to Noon at Irwin Creek. Contact Chase Saunders for questions/directions.

→ Charlotte West Rotary will host a social beginning at 5:30 pm on November 15 at the Dilworth Neighborhood Grille, 911 E. Morehead St. \$15 includes drinks and appetizers.

→ **Steve Eanes** has worked for twTelecom for thirteen years and is switching his primary email: steve.eanes@twtelecom.com; **Charlie Greer's** company name has changed to GreerWalker; **Bob Phifer** was named to 2013 Lawyers of the Year by Best Lawyers in America; **Bradford Picot** was featured in Current Magazine as one of the top 20 dentists in Charlotte; **Luther Moore's** alumni spotlight is featured on Leadership Charlotte's website; read about **Brian Huber** and Daniel, Ratliff Co in the October issue of Greater Biz Charlotte; **President Marilyn** thanked Jack Dillard for his efforts to spearhead a project that provided new American flags to 87 schools throughout CMS. Jack was also named a Paul Harris Fellow.

Attendance	<u>11/13/2012</u>	<u>11/15/2011</u>	Membership	New Members: Kelly Mirt, Claire Blocker
Visitors & Guests	9	10	07/01/2012 316	
Club Members	158	159	11/13/2012 316	
Total Attendance	167	169	Net Increase	Resignation: Chuck Lew
Percentage	56.0%			
Birthdays November 13 -26		Anniversaries November 13 - 26		
14 Frank Martin	14 Mark Jones	13 Kathy and Brian Boone	13 Leah and Luke Mabry	
18 John Engler	19 Pat Millen	17 Ann and Henry Bostic	17 Lynda and Bob James	
19 Kelly Mirt	20 Jessica Graham	19 Barbie and Gene Williams	20 Catherine and Art Ringwald	
22 Floyd Davis	23 Terri DeBoo	21 Kathy and Steve Montgomery	21 Tori and Doug LaBrosse	
24 Jim Woodward	26 John Shell	26 Debbie and Sadler Barnhardt		