

Rotary
Club of
Charlotte



REPORTER

September 18, 2018

A DAY TO CATCH UP

Due to understandable reasons brought on by Hurricane Florence, Margaret Spellings had to cancel her opportunity to speak to Charlotte Rotary in order to deal with significant damage and disruptions to institutions she oversees. The board just had a conversation about a plan to cover speaker cancellations and a chance to just socialize sounded right. It seemed that everyone in the room on Tuesday appreciated the extra time to chat.

Immediate Past President **Katie Tyler** announced she will chair the 2018 Nominating committee for Officers and Directors that will serve in future years. Joining Katie on this committee will be **Mike Hawley** (current president), **John Lassiter** (President-Elect) and the three most recent past presidents who are available (**Tom Bartholomy**, **Tony Zeiss**, and **John Tabor**). If you are interested in serving on the board or in a leadership position, please let Katie know before the committee meeting on October 9th.

REMINDER of the Club Social at Fahrenheit (uptown, top of the Hyatt), 222 S. Caldwell St. at 6PM TONIGHT – September 19th. RSVP is not required. Bring a guest!

President Mike went over a few other initiatives....

- We will use our Club's Donor Advised Fund (tax deductible entity) to manage Hurricane relief contributions. If you would like to send in a check, please make it payable to "The Rotary Foundation DAF" and mail to the Rotary office. The board will direct their application to a worthy relief cause in our region.

- A reminder that everyone is on the Membership committee. Make your contacts aware of the great programs the club has lined up. Bring a guest and follow up with an invitation to consider joining Rotary.

- **Warren Kean** and the World Community Service committee will meet after Rotary next Tuesday in Studio One. Anyone interested in International service is welcome to attend.

- Students from Central Piedmont and Myers Park High School will attend next week's meeting. Thanks to the group managing this process: **Tom Cottingham**, **Clyde Robinson**, **Nancy McNelis** and **Cynthia Marshall**. And, a big thanks to the Fairfield Inn & Suites for partnering with Rotary on this opportunity.

- **David Zimmerman** gave a quick overview on the Composite committee, which is charged with providing a mix of song, inspiration, history, BBB moments and a new twist to give grass root non-profits a chance to give a shout out for the service they provide in the community. **Rudy Rudisill** co-chairs along with David.



Terri DeBoo introduced the first organization – Carolinas Freedom Foundation, and Mark Brodowicz provided a recap of their involvement with Veterans. They host the Annual American Airlines “Honor Above All” Freedom Breakfast on November 9, 7:30-9:00am at the Sheraton Hotel, 555 S. McDowell Street. November 10 at 11am brings the American Airlines Salute to Veterans Parade in Uptown Charlotte on Tryon Street. To register to attend

or sponsor the Breakfast, visit www.carolinasfreedomfoundation.org.

MEMBERSHIP

07/01/2018 288

09/18/2018 283

Net Increase: -5

New Members: Howard Layson

Resignations: John Luebke, John Menser

Visitors 4

Club Members 103

Total 107 (43.5%)

Visitors & Guests: Michael Ranson, Stephen Heeseman, Mark Brodowicz

BIRTHDAYS (09/27/18 – 10/03/18)

09/27 Harriman Jett

09/28 Lisa Mask

09/29 Henry Batten, J. C Cousar, Lee Tabor

10/01 George MacBain

10/03 Jenn Gibson, Karen Price

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES (09/27/18 – 10/03/18)

09/28 Michelle & Steve Gassaway, Michelle & Vernon Menard

10/01 Joan & Jim Kelley

10/02 Colleen & Scott Brannan, Karen & Darren Price

10/03 Betsy & Matt Joyner

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES (09/27/18 – 10/03/18)

04 years – Chuck Howard

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

09/25 Dale Folwell, *Treasurer, State of North Carolina*

10/02 Rotary Scholarship Golf Classic *No Rotary meeting at lunch*

10/09 How I Got Where I'm At (Elizabeth Teagarden, Nikki Keith, Alice Harrison) *Meeting at Myers Park Country Club*

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