

PROGRAM

How I Got Where I'm At

Jill Dineen, Stephen Smith, Tom Burgess

By: Ed Wadsworth

Our club looks forward to this terrific program because it offers everyone an opportunity to get better acquainted with new members. Last year a new twist was added to these programs when seasoned members were invited to share what Rotary means to them. What a pleasure it was to learn more about Jill Dineen, Stephen Smith, and Tom Burgess.

Jill joined our club last year when she took the responsibility to head up Classroom Central. Her journey to Charlotte did not come by way of a golden spoon. Raised in Fairfield, California by a single parent who worked for the cable company, somewhat facetiously Jill said an adolescent mentor was Eddie Murphy. With all cable stations available to her and minimal parental supervision, she was exposed to raunchy TV and Eddie Murphy became her favorite! What she did learn from Murphy was a drive to power through all adversity and to be unafraid of daring goals.

Her family has been her rock, perfectly dysfunctional, loving and ethnically diverse. Above all, her parents valued education and thanks to Rotary International she was awarded a scholarship to attend Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois. She jumped into its opportunities, pursued public speaking and debate, and continued her music interests. Public speaking taught her how to frame and communicate her opinions, connect with and serve others. In Jill's closing remarks she reflected that every day she is humbled by who she meets and how much she can learn. She thanked Rotary and encouraged all to go out and be daring, just like Eddie Murphy.

Stephen Smith joined Charlotte Rotary in 2012. An Afro American born in New Orleans, his family moved to Pennsylvania at an early age to avoid segregated schools. There were five blacks in his school in Pennsylvania and three of them were him and his siblings. Now that was an adjustment! Thankfully, his parents prioritized two values...faith in God and education.

A graduate of Oberlin College and Case Western Law School where he met his wife, Stephen talked about how he learned from failure. When he failed the bar exam twice, his self-confidence snapped. From that experience, he learned that personal identity does not come from a title (Lawyer) or money. Fast forward to 2008 when he found himself moving to Charlotte, now a Lawyer, to fulfill a professional dream as a wealth manager for bank clients with \$50M of Net Worth minimum. But that was 2008, when markets collapsed and many high net worth customers were drying up. That's when he met fellow Rotarian Carol Hardison, who in conversation suggested he read the book "Halftime". That changed his career path from financial services to public service, now heading Charlotte Family Housing. Stephen's vocational focus is on "bridge building," bridging business leaders and society's materially vulnerable, transforming all by God's love.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 10

Paula Broadwell
Military veterans
returning home from
Afghanistan and Iraq

September 17

**CMPD Chief
Rodney Monroe**

September 24

Paul Silas
Former NBA Coach

October 1st

Ron Carlee
City of Charlotte

LUNCHEONS Time/Location

12:30 Tuesday
Charlotte Plaza
Uptown Hotel
201 S. McDowell

2013-2014 THEME



Tom Burgess concluded our program by sharing why rotary has been influential to him and also reminisced on some of his life's highlights. Tom is hardly one of our newer members, having joined rotary in New York in 1971, before moving to Charlotte in 1974 and transferring to our club. Tom has served our club in many roles and over the years, he has done Rotary make-ups in 35 countries and 40 states. He encouraged all to visit other clubs in our travels. A close friend of the late Powell Majors, he too aspires to be an active centurion Rotarian.

Born in Ft. Myers, one of his earliest childhood memories is watching his neighbor Henry Ford offer car rides to neighbor, Thomas Edison, who passed away when Tom was 7. Tom's high school years were filled with Boy Scout activities and he had the good fortune to be awarded the Eagle rank by one of scout's founding Board Members, Daniel Carter Beard. When he graduated from high school, he joined the Army to join the WWII battle. Assigned to the 87th infantry, he fought in France after "D Day" and pushed through Belgium in "The Battle of the Bulge," and ultimately through Germany and into Czechoslovakia. Returning stateside for a leave and awaiting reassignment, the atom bombs were dropped to end the war. After the war and college at Florida, he joined the national Boy Scout office where many assignments placed him in Japan and all over the United States before ending his career in Charlotte where he retired in 1987.

Head Table: Michael Elder, Nikki Keith, John Tabor, Bill Bradley, Jill Dineen, Stephen Smith, Tom Burgess
 Invocation: Colleen Brannan; Visitors & Guests: Ty Hands; Song: Luke Maybry; Health, Happiness & History: Mac McCarley;
 AV: Jessica Dupree; Photos: Bert Voswinkel

CLUB NEWS

- Our condolences to **Rick Handford** and his family. Rick's father passed away September 2nd and funeral arrangements will be shared when they are available.
- **Phil Van Hoy** and **Bryan Adams** were selected for inclusion in the 2014 Best Lawyers in America in the area of employment law representing employers; **Terri DeBoo** was named Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Charlotte Chapter
- Get to know the three newest Rotarians – **Catherine Browning** introduced **Tom Wilkins**, who is a partner with McGladrey LLP. Tom can be reached at tom.wilkens@mcgladrey.com. **Trip Savery** introduced **Amber Brown**. Amber is market president of the Charlotte office for Alfred Williams & Company and can be reached at abrown@alfredwilliams.com. **Dick Klingman** introduced his long-time friend, **Rudy Rudisill**. Rudy is serving as a special assistant for the YMCA of Greater Charlotte and can be reached at rudy.rudisill@ymcacharlotte.org. Welcome!
- **Catherine Browning** has arranged our annual flu shot clinic on September 24 from 11:30 to 2:00.

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Frank Deaton

Cunningham Cleaners (Classification: Dry Cleaning)
 Sponsor: Luther Moore Endorsed: Jill Santuccio, Bob Freeman

BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance	<u>09/03/2013</u>	<u>09/04/2012</u>	Membership		New Members: Tom Wilkins, Amber Brown, Rudy Rudisill
Visitors & Guests	10		07/01/2013	316	
Club Members	167	DNC	09/03/2013	322	
Total Attendance	177		Net Increase	+6	Resignations:
Percentage	59.2%				

Birthdays September 10 - 16

11 John Armistead
 11 Harry Daugherty
 15 Rich Campbell
 16 Ron Campbell
 11 Bryan Adams
 14 Bryan Mermans
 15 Katie Tyler
 16 Gray Langley

Anniversaries September 10 - 16

10 Libby & Alan Simonini
 12 Melanie & Craig Goodson
 14 Elsie & Will Barnhardt
 11 Meg & Bryan Adams
 12 Linda Gallehugh & Elly Clary
 16 Kaye & Lamar Thomas

PAUL HARRIS HOME



The Paul and Jean Harris Home Foundation are renovating the home of Rotary's Founder. President John enhanced this video from the original to incorporate more historical information, and to make the request for contributions. You can view the video at

<https://vimeo.com/73686438>



Comely Bank (Rotary's Founder Paul Harris's Home) Promotional Video

from John Tabor PLUS 23 hours ago

ELIMINATE THE DIGITAL DIVIDE - PAT MILLAN'S DAUGHTER

E2D

Eliminate
the
Digital Divide

Franny Millen

Pat Millen and seventh-grade daughter Franny are making a difference through their efforts to provide computers, bandwidth and technical training to all families in the town of Davidson who lack fundamental computer access.



CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Recent Anniversaries include:

10 Years

Hunter Widener (August)
Edwin Peacock (August)
Chris Kemper (August)
Steve Montgomery (Sept
2nd)

35 Years

Vernon Anderson
(September 1st)

Over the last year, a number of our members celebrated some key milestones:

10 Years

John Armistead
Bill Bradley
Emmy Lou Burchette
Henry Cantrell
Natalie English
Pender McElroy
Don Millen
Bill Stegelmeyer
Chris Thomas
Jerry Walters

25 Years

Ken Poe
Tom O'Brien
Carroll Thomas

30 Years

Don Carmichael

35 Years

Henry Snead
Bob Culbertson

20 Years

Harley Dickson
Bill Loftin
Frank Martin
Bill Nichols
Tony Zeiss

40 Years

Bob Freeman

50 Years

Bill Barnhardt
Helmut Deussen
Charlie Williams

60+ Years

Charlie Ibach (61)
Martin Waters (63)
George Page (63)

And the "Godfather"
of the club . . .

65 Years

Ralston Pound

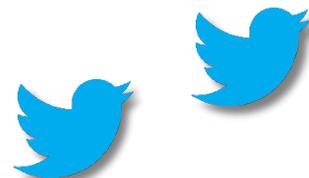
SOCIAL MEDIA - TWITTER



Our club is working on upgrading our social media and website. Our Twitter account is up and running and you can [follow us](#) at:

@rotarycharlotte

Thanks to Ken Harris for facilitating this.



MILLION DOLLAR DINNER

Be part of the first Rotary zone-wide Million Dollar Dinner and in doing so supporting your foundation and all the good work it does here and around the world.

This is part of our zone, which is 15 districts in 6 states from Delaware to South Carolina. Charlotte has been selected to host the event. PDG Firoz Peera is chairing the fundraising effort and President John is chairing the event

The speakers will be RI President Ron Burton and RI Vice President Anne L. Matthews.

BE PART OF THIS HISTORIC EVENT

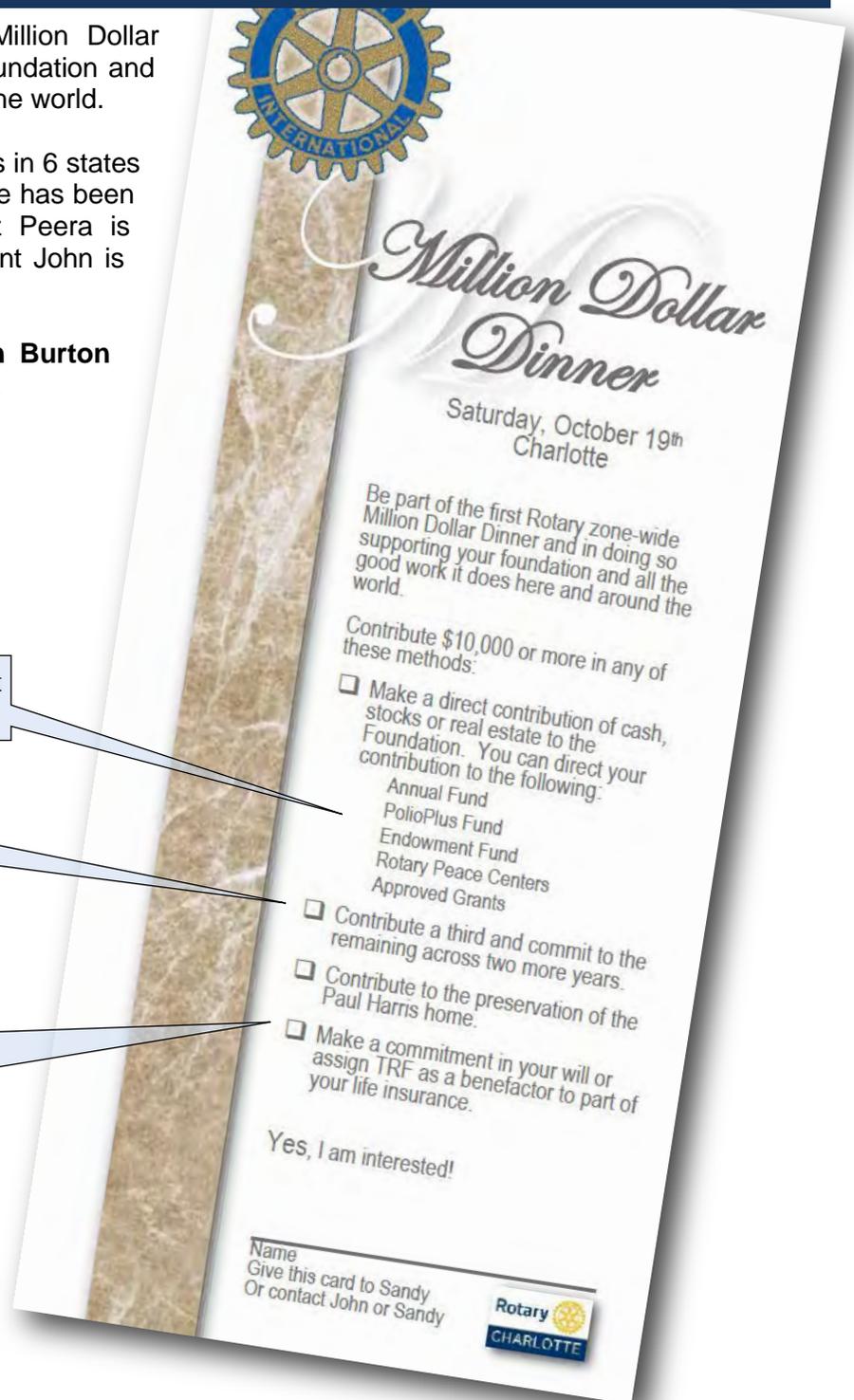
Choose the fund you are most passionate about

Multiple Year commitment gives you flexibility

Almost everyone in the club can do this one.

"Once you put this contribution in your will, you will never miss it . . . I guarantee it."

Mark Markanda





Million Dollar Dinner

Saturday, October 19th
Charlotte

Be part of the first Rotary zone-wide Million Dollar Dinner and in doing so supporting your foundation and all the good work it does here and around the world.

Contribute \$10,000 or more in any of these methods:

- Make a direct contribution of cash, stocks or real estate to the Foundation. You can direct your contribution to the following:
 - Annual Fund
 - PolioPlus Fund
 - Endowment Fund
 - Rotary Peace Centers
 - Approved Grants
- Contribute a third and commit to the remaining across two more years.
- Contribute to the preservation of the Paul Harris home.
- Make a commitment in your will or assign TRF as a benefactor to part of your life insurance.

Yes, I am interested!

Name _____
Give this card to Sandy
Or contact John or Sandy



2013 KILIMANJARO CLIMBERS



Three of this year's climbers are from our Club. Each climber is responsible for raising \$3,000 for Polio. **Please support them** – even better, get others to support them



Jerry Coughter



Gregg Walker



Paul Wyche



9/11 SCHOLARSHIPS RAFFLE

Support our scholarship fund. We will be selling Raffle tickets across the next two meeting and choosing the winners on September 17th at our meeting. You do NOT need to be present to win. Feel free to ask your friends, neighbors, and work colleagues to participate. It's a very worth cause.

RAFFLE

1 for \$10
3 for \$20

Drawing
September 17th

RAFFLE

ALL
proceeds go to
9/11 Scholarships



Prize #
3

Donated by



17"
Sterling Silver
Mesh Weave
Necklace

Value: **\$315**



Prize #
2

Donated by



Ultimate Dinner Date
\$500 Belk Card
\$150 City Club
Dinner Certificate

Value: **\$650**



Prize #
1

Donated by



Panthers-Rams
Tailgate Special
4 Club Seats

Tailgate Food & Beverages
& 'Cam' Autographed Ball

Value: **\$800**

ROTARY.ORG – NEW LOOK, NEW WEBSITE

Rotary International has updated its website. There are two distinct versions of the website:

www.rotary.org

My Rotary (for members)

- All members will be encouraged to register and sign in when visiting the site. Members will be able to better engage through their own customized experience based on their interests, and conduct their Rotary business more easily than ever before.
- The new website will eliminate the need for the Member Access Portal (MAP). **Those currently registered in MAP will be prompted to re-register** when first visiting the site and will then be able to access tools previously located in MAP, such as the ability to edit club data, use Rotary Club Central, etc.

Rotary.org (for the general public)

- The public site tells our story to external audiences in a fresh, streamlined way, encouraging people to get to know Rotary and learn about all the great work Rotarians are doing all over the world.

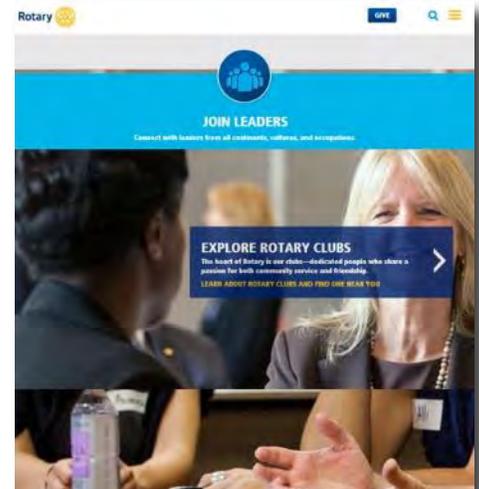


Find what you need!

- The website has been entirely rebuilt, grouping items more logically. Testing has confirmed that user experience is cleaner and more streamlined than what is offered today. For example, tools that help you manage your Rotary business—such as running reports—are now conveniently located under a tab called “Manage.”
- The website’s “**search**” engine is now powered by **Google**, making locating documents, articles and tools much easier.

Important changes

- “**Contact this Club**” – Visitors to the site can submit a request online to learn more about a specific club and membership. The RI Board has requested that an email be automatically sent to the District Governor and Membership Chair to notify you of this request, they will then follow up as appropriate with the club.
- **Rotary Foundation Grants** – Many of you have already visited the Rotary Grants microsite and all it has to offer. That functionality will now be merged into the new site so everything you need will be in one place.
- **Security** – As part of the new launch, we are also adopting industry leading security measures to manage your IDs and passwords. To facilitate this transition, any MAP user who logged in within the last year will go through an abbreviated re-registration process.
- **Browsers** – The new website uses some of the latest browser capabilities and because of that, visitors to the site will need to be on modern browsers. Whatever browser you prefer to use, we recommend you upgrade to the latest version to have the best experience possible.



LUNCHEON PHOTOS

