



THE ROTARY CLUB OF RALEIGH NEWS

April 10, 2006

North Carolina's First Civic Club
District 7710 Club 6117

Chartered August 1, 1914
124th Club Formed

FOUR WAY TEST

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?

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Today's Program

Dr. Leslie Alexander

RTP

Upcoming Programs

June 12, 2006 Cpt Steven Burke IRAQ
US Army

June 19, 2006 Jay Barnes NC Aquarium
Director

June 26, 2006 Dr. James Crisp Alamo
NCSU

July 3, 2006 No Meeting

President Kent Thompson opened the meeting with an invocation and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Guests:

James Steelman guest of **Sanford Steelman**

Jacob Weaver guest of **Regan Weaver**

Dan Moore guest of **Beth Briggs**

Announcements:

John Lang asked for sponsors of .25, .50 or \$1.00 per hole for the YMCA 100 hole golf marathon, please give John a check when you see him.

Michele Kitson asked for Rotarians to continue to sign up for the Race for the Cure.

Kent Thompson announced we will have **Paul Harris Day on June 19th**. This is a great opportunity to sponsor a membership!



Bob Hunter asked for applications for the Unsung Hero's Award.

BTW **Bob's** purple shirt and coordinating tie brought several comments and some of them very complimentary.

was the restaurant seating in



Sarah Stone gave a recap of her visit with 15 Russian Landscapers and an N&O reporter regarding the North Hills Mall. Of notable interest malls in America.

Past due quarterly dues are an issue as we close the year end books. Please make sure your dues are paid to date. Late dues significantly hurt our clubs budget and further cost us from doing our civic duty in the community.



President Kent introduced our speaker **Major Mike Teem of the Raleigh Police Dept.**

Mike spent the first part of his time speaking about the Raleigh Law

enforcement programs as they working with the community to create a problem solving solutions to areas of concern in the Raleigh neighborhoods. Hopefully, this will reduce calls and reduce crimes. The Raleigh Police Force is working with the Federal government and other enforcement agencies with a 10 point strategy to reduce gun violence.

One of the more recent issues is the new and expanding Gangs that are coming to the Raleigh area. Gang activity has grown past the “Bloods” and the “Cribs” and has expanded to the ethic groups. The Gang Suppression Unit has to study the graffiti and tag them to gang related issues and must file reports and take pictures to build a data base to help the future law enforcement agents protect our community. One big issue is to remove the graffiti in a timely manner. The goal is to find the home base of the gang to save time man hours and lives.

The downtown development and residential increase is allowing the police department the opportunity to improve their operation; the police enforcement activity is compared to other cities with a downtown that has a growing residential area with a night life.

The second part of his presentation was regarding a program close to his heart, The Special Olympics which is for people with intellectual disabilities. Because of the Special Olympics, six officers in 1981 in Wichita Kansas started a Torch Run for the start of the Olympics; this program has become the Charity of Choice for the law enforcement community and has grown to over 90 departments internationally and over 80,000 police professionals raising over \$21,500,000 plus increased the awareness for the need for year round development of these athletes.

Since 1987 the Raleigh PD has raised over 1 million dollars for the Special Olympics of NC and quoted Carl Hibert from his speech “The Special Olympics makes them feel good about themselves”

Mike left us with the feeling that he not only was proud to serve and protect our Raleigh Community but that he was one of many law enforcement professional that was giving his heart to the Torch Run for the Special Olympics and that all of his efforts where worthwhile and well



received.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run® began in 1981 when Wichita, Kansas (USA), Police Chief Richard LaMunyon saw an urgent need to raise funds for and increase awareness of Special Olympics. The Torch Run was quickly adopted by the [International Association of Chiefs of Police](#), now recognized as the founding law enforcement organization of the Law Enforcement Torch Run® for Special Olympics.



George Wallace acknowledged that **Katherine Gilliland** and **Bill McLaurin** had read the bulletin and awarded them each \$10. Katherine donated her money to the Raleigh Rotary Foundation.

George is the auctioneer for the weekly Certificate Auction; this week certificate was for Dinner for two and a signature bottle of wine at the Capital City Club. **Stu Gulley** was the high bidder. **Jeremy Sayre** was last week's high bidder for the golf package at Devils Ridge.

We thank **George** for his attempt to bring humor our club. Don't give up your day job George!

Weekly Auction; Bidding starts at \$20. Winner can bill to his Rotary Account. All the proceeds go to the Raleigh Rotary Club Foundation!

May 15 th	Devils Ridge Golf Club	package for 4	Jeremy Sayre
May 22 nd	Capital City Club	Dinner for 2	Stu Gully
June 5 th	Lochmere Golf Club	package for 4	Expires Sept 15, 2006
June 12 th	Cardinal Club	Brunch for 2	Expires Sept 30, 2006
June 19 th	The Neuse	Package for 4	Expires Dec 31, 2006
June 26 th	Carolina Club	Lunch for 2	Expires June 30, 2007

Special thanks to **Karl Swink** of the Capital City Club for the certificates

SENIORS BREAKFAST SPECIAL

A husband and wife went to breakfast at a restaurant where the "Seniors Special" was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$1.99.

"Sounds good," the wife said. "But I don't want the eggs."

"Then I'll have to charge you \$2.49 because you're ordering a la carte," the waitress warned her.

"You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?" the wife asked incredulously.

"YES!!" the waitress replied.

"I'll take the special."

"How do you want your eggs?"

"Raw and in the shell," the wife replied. She took the two eggs home.

DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS. They've been around the block more than once!

The Rotary Club of Raleigh Bulletin is published each week the Club meets. To contribute items contact George Wallace: george_wallace@ml.com or phone 829-2030. Visit www.raleighrotary.org where bulletins since January, 2001 are posted...or call the Club phone at 848-2333 and request that one be faxed to you. This week's minutes reported by **George Wallace** of the **Blue Dot Judges Team**. **Eric Ellwood** provided the pictures.