

The Dilworthian

Queen City IMPACT by Rotary
Club of Charlotte Dilworth South End

Rotary Dilworth Charities

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June 14, 2024

We Meet at
Covenant Presbyterian Church
1000 East Morehead
(Fellowship Hall, Room 205)

or



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Honored to Have Four DGs From Our Club: Jones Pharr (1962-1963) James Stump (1996-1997) Joe Morris (2006-2007)

Kevin Kendrick (2024-2025)



Dear Friends and Members,

The Board met on Thursday, June 13, and here are some of the outcomes.

• The monthly Board meetings will be moved back to the third Wednesday of the month via Zoom.

MEETING SCHEDULE

- We will **not** have a meeting on Friday, June 28, to prepare for the District Leader installation on June 29.
- The vote was unanimous to move our meetings to Resident Culture, which began on July 12.
- The vote to change our meeting days has been denied to see how the new meeting space works out and to ensure members' voices are heard regarding the potential changing of those meeting days.
- A joint social with Queen City Impact will be held on Tuesday, July 16, starting at 5:30 at Sir. Edmond Halley's to check out the space for potential monthly socials. This is a social, so you can come any time that works for you.

MEMBERSHIP

- Gus Psomadakis will be made an Honorary Rotarian beginning July 1.
- Davis Bandi has been removed from membership

Sean Fenerty has been removed from membership

Please Note the Change of Venue for the Leadership Installation.

Upcoming Speakers

June 14: Roddie Watchdog Foundation with Tameaka Brown

June 21: Law Enforcement Appreciation Honoree / Scholarship Awardee at Resident Culture

June 28: No Meeting to prepare for Saturday's District Leadership Installation.

July 5: No Meeting - Independence Day

July 12: TBD

July 19: Installation of Officers / New President's Plan for the Year

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June Birthdays

June 2 Hugh Lewis June 15 Alan Loeser June 16 Dave Miller

June Club Member Anniversaries

Tom Philson (41 years)
Bob Teague (33 years)
Allison Burkett (2 years)
Jessie Colburn Merrill (2 years)
Maha Gingrich (2 years)
Choice Gray (2 years)
Kristen Hayden (2 years)
Ahmed Kamel (2 years)
Dawn Peterson (2 years)
Lorena Prince (2 years)
Cynthia Prince (2 years)

This Week's Meeting



Roddie Watchdog Foundation, Inc.

Tameaka M. Brown is a North Carolinian rooted in Charlotte for over 30 years. As a Financial Services Professional & Business owner for over 20 of those years, educating & serving her community has always been her passion. Tameaka ran a very successful life insurance & investment practice with New York Life and was instrumental in insuring & aiding over 560 families break barriers and achieve their financial goals. She has been recognized in Pride Magazine and was a repeat recipient of the Life Foundation and the Make a Difference awards.

This mother of three, also founded Roddie Watchdog Foundation Inc., (RJWF) a 501c3 that provides various support to children (ages 0-17) who have been bitten or permanently disfigured by dog bites. This comes after her 8-year-old son Roddie, was attacked and killed by 4 pit bulls in 2004. RJWF's mission is to reduce dog-related injuries & fatalities by equipping families and communities across the globe with the knowledge and tools necessary to foster safe and healthy human/K-9 relationships.

In her personal time, she loves to congregate with family and friends, travel, vacation anywhere with an ocean view, experiment with new recipes, take part in fellowship, of course, shop!

Last Week's Speaker

Dr. Andrew Case spoke about the Interplay between Psychology and Health last week.

If you would like to watch his presentation, please click here.



First Responder/Scholarship Recipient Luncheon



8TH ANNUAL FIRST RESPONDER RECOGNITION AND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

JOIN US

- 🔽 Friday, June 21, 2024
- **11:30** am
- Resident Culture South End 332 W Bland St Charlotte NC 28203









Bio for Officer Receiving First Responder Award



Sergeant Ben Roldan

Sergeant Roldan supervises the Central Division's Bike Unit which is comprised of five officers. The purpose of the Unit is to offer more officer visibility and accessibility to the people living, working, and visiting Charlotte's Uptown area. In the ten-month period between April of 2023 and February of 2024, the Central Division Bike Unit made over 300 documented contacts, and countless more informal contacts with a wide range of citizens in Uptown. The Unit takes lead in the CMPD outreach to unhoused citizens in the Uptown and Southend areas by connecting them with resources for long term housing, mental health, and substance abuse assistance. The coordination and safety of first amendment protected demonstrations is also the responsibility of the Unit. Sgt. Roldan acts as the point of contact for the CMPD with demonstration event organizers. In the last year, Sgt. Roldan has worked with event organizers in planning, coordinating, and implementing over 35 demonstrations safely. Most of these demonstrations have taken place on scheduled days off for the Unit, with Sergeant Roldan and his officers coming in on their days off to work the events.

<u>to read May's</u>
<u>District newsletter.</u>



Letter from Scholarship Recipient

My name is Andrianna Graham, and I would like to formally thank you for awarding me the Dilworth Rotary W. A. Kennedy Scholarship. I am a 21-year-old third-year student at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. I was born in Fayetteville, NC, on November 19, 2002. I graduated from Colorado Preparatory Academy in Westminster, Colorado, in 2021. Before my career took off, I wanted to be close to family because I often moved as a child for military purposes. I chose to attend UNC Charlotte. I thought sharing my most significant years in college with them would motivate me to exceed my limits. I also loved the idea of joining the Air Force, and the ROTC program here was extremely welcoming. It has been my best decision yet!

This scholarship is important to me because I choose to focus solely on my education as a third-year student from out of state. Yes, every student struggles with expenses, but my spiritual faith in God has allowed me not to dwell on things that I cannot change. While I pursue my dreams, blessings will follow. Being my most authentic self will make my life easier. I recently joined the National Society of Collegiate Students. Here I can embody the qualities of service before self, compassion, leadership, and integrity. I also joined the Pre-Law Society here at UNC to connect with more like-minded individuals. This scholarship is a blessing because I am being recognized for all the hard work and changes I am implementing in myself and others.

Thank you. Thank you sincerely. I will not let you all regret this decision. I will represent our criminal justice system with the utmost respect and dignity. I recently had thoughts of going to law school, and this was a sign that I am on the right path. I could cry right now, tears of joy. I appreciate you all for considering me and acknowledging my accomplishments. This award reassures me that my dreams are very much possible. As stated in my essay, I aspire to continue serving humanity by becoming an integral part of our criminal justice system. My mission is only complete once I give back to my community and strive to be the most outstanding individual I can be. You just provided me with yet another stepping stone to success.

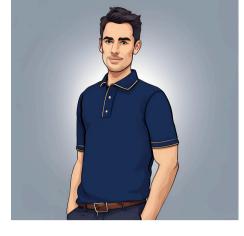
Sincerely, Andrianna Talea Graham UNC Charlote Class of 2025

Dilworth Clothing

Member David Hodgkins has some items for sale that have our name on them. If he doesn't have what you are looking for, let him know, and he can get more at a reasonable cost. Bulk orders are best.

All of the following are Navy Blue:

- 8 Navy Blue Ballcaps- \$15.00/ Ea.
- 1 Medium Short Sleeve T-shirt- \$15.00
- 1 XL Short Sleeve T-shirt- \$15.00
- 1 Small Short Sleeve Polo-\$25.00
- 1 Small Long Sleeve Polo- \$30.00
- 4 Large Long Sleeve Polo- \$30.00 Each







DG Kevin's District Leadership Installation

Dear Dilworth and Queen City Impact Members, please see the invitation below. Please sign up to help with various duties on this date.

We will need people to volunteer in several capacities! Please sign up here.

Also, <u>sign up to attend here.</u> You must sign up to attend even if you signed up to volunteer so that we have a full count for food purposes.

Thank you for your support of DGE Kevin.

Venue Moved.



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You and a guest are invited to the Installation of DG Kevin Kendrick and District 7680 Leadership for Rotary Year 2024-2025

June 29, 2024 11:30 am - 2:00 pm

RSVP by June 21

Click or scan QR Code above to RSVP. (If you are not a Rotarian, please click on Guest tab.)

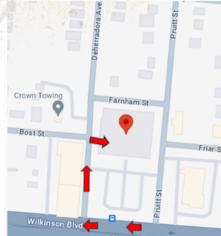


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Your Club's Care & Concern Team has recently been in contact with the following Members and we are happy to share Member "Updates" and activities below:

District Governor's Installation Committee Members – Thanks so VERY much to the following Club Members, Impact Club Members, and great Friends of Rotary for serving on (or assisting in special ways) this important Club Committee. The following are serving on the Governor's Installation Committee:

Kelly Cates, Kate Richards, Angie Rikard, Harriett Porter, Allison Burkett, Choice Gray, Jenny Kendrick, DGE Kevin Kendrick, Jim Stump, Patsy Stump, and District 7680 Secretary Wally Olson

Dilworth Jubilee/Party in The Park Event – Thanks so VERY much to our Club President-Elect Amarja Webb and the MANY wonderful Club Members, Impact Club Members, (& Volunteers) who contributed their time and energies to make this special fund-raising event a success. We are also very pleased to have partnered with the Dilworth Community Association to deliver this event to the greater Dilworth Area (and to our City as a whole). Events such as this heighten the visibility and impact of our Rotary Club and also that of the Dilworth Community Association.

Cheryl Banks-Barber (Reported by Dave Miller and in his own words) - Cheryl is dealing with an ongoing back problem. She has decided not to have surgery but continues to take PT to help relieve her pain, However, she continues to show her wonderful smile!

John & Gloria Barringer (Reported by Dave Miller and in his own words) - Karen and Dave Miller visited the Barringer's very recently and reported that John is slowly recovering from a heart attack. John welcomes home visits, but prefers that you contact Gloria at 704-231-3166 if you would like to arrange a visit. Gloria continues to have some knee problems." (The Club wishes both John & Gloria healing and better days ahead!)

Darrell & Marilyn Bonapart – President Darrell reports that his wife Marilyn is doing much better since her recent hospitalizations. Marilyn is now on dialysis 3 times per week and is working to get on the National Registry for a kidney transplant. She indicates that she is feeling much better now, but dialysis treatments can be very tiring.

Marilyn greatly appreciated the surprise birthday "party" given for her while she was in the hospital during which a number of Club Members participated. Darrell is still continuing in his care-giving role for Marilyn and was back with us on Friday, June 7 (last Friday). It was great to see Darrell back with us and we are happy that Marilyn is at home and feeling better!

Kelly Cates (Reported by Bob Teague and in his own words) – Kelly's boys finished out their school's sophomore year with Straight 'A's. Ayden came in at a fantastic 6th place in the State Track Championship. Needless to say, 'Mama' is very excited about her boys' achievements. In July, Kelly is going to celebrate her 50th birthday with a 2-week tour of Scotland. Looks like there's a busy summer ahead for the Smith/Cates family.

Fourth Quarter Member Updates

Our Club's 2023-2024 Care & Concerns Team Members: Bob Teague, Dave Miller, David Hodgkins, Barbara Lewis, Hugh Lewis, Barbara Horstman, John Barringer, and Jim Stump

Romy Cawood and husband Ranjit Rawley (Reported by Barbara Horstmann and in her own words) - Romy has invited two speakers to our Rotary meeting and both did an excellent job explaining two different aspects of mental health from a psychological perspective.

After last Friday's meeting, I spoke to Sonja and Hap, Romy's parents. Since they came to Charlotte from Ohio, I mentioned that I grew up in Ohio. We had a nice chat about our backgrounds. Then, I spoke to Hap about his Peace Corps experience and thanked him for answering my email that followed his presentation to the Rotary group. He is also very responsive and an interesting man.

Choice Gray (Impact Club Member) – Choice has been working very hard recently with our Club's Governor's Installation Committee. We greatly appreciate her ongoing leadership, her contributions, and her ideas.

Rosemary Hill (Reported by Bob Teague and in his own words) – We have not seen much of Rosemary this spring because of her commitment to Tennis. Her commitment just culminated in her team winning the North Carolina State Tennis Championship in the over 65 Class. Congratulations and very best wishes to Rosemary!

Riley Hilsman (Impact Club Member) – It was great to see Riley at our Club's regular meeting last Friday. Riley's work duties have now worked favorably for his return to our Friday meetings.

David & Donna Hodgkins (In David's own words) – Donna & David continue working their jobs and managing the Purple Promise Foundation to End Melanoma which had a very successful fund-raising event on May 01. They just got back from a trip to Cape Cod and a quality visit with David's 98-year-old Mother. They are also looking forward to a trip in a couple weeks to Brooklyn, New York, for their 19-year-old Grandson's birthday celebration."

Barbara Horstmann (In her own words) – I had pneumonia almost 3 weeks ago. I have seen my primary care physician for a follow-up and the x-ray of my lungs was clear. However, I have a persistent cough and am very fatigued. I've heard that recovery takes longer with age. Based on my age, it could take two to three months." (Barbara – we wish you a full and early recovery!)

Dewey Jenkins (Reported by David Hodgkins and in his own words) – "Honorary Member and Club Past President Dewey continues to enjoy his "Semi" retirement and enjoying more time with wife Renee and his family. The family is looking forward to a vacation trip to Colorado in August. As always, Dewey sends greetings to all his friends at Charlotte Dilworth South End Rotary Club!"

Ed King (Reported by Bob Teague and in his own words) - Ed reports that all is well with the King family. They are spending a lot of time with the kids and grandkids so far this spring and early summer. Ed enjoys his trips to the beach and sends a warm 'Hello' to all.

Jenny Kendrick – We are very grateful that Jenny will be serving as Chief-of-Staff for husband Kevin when he assumes the Governor's role on July 1, 2024! As she continues to support Governor Kevin in so many ways in his responsibilities and communications as District Governor, Jenny will be "retiring" as the Editor of our DILWORTHIAN at the end of June. Jenny, we are so fortunate to have benefitted greatly from your many years as EDITOR of this important weekly communication!

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Kevin Kendrick – Kevin will become our Rotary International District 7680 Governor (DG) for the 2024-2025 Rotary Year on July 1. Kevin's installation luncheon will be on Saturday, June 29, 2024, at CBI of Charlotte from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM. Kevin has already been a vital and integral part of so many key Rotary District 7680 leadership activities/initiatives and has spent much of his time preparing for key events during his year as DG. Kevin, you have our Club's heartiest "Congratulations" as you take on this new responsibility!!

(It is a very distinct and special honor for a Club to have a DG and Kevin will be the 4th DG from our Club since our founding in 1948. Earlier Governors from Dilworth South End Rotary included Jones Pharr, Jim Stump, and Joe Morris.)

Eric Law (Reported by Bob Teague and in his own words) – A sigh of relief for Eric as he just completed Promising Pages' big campaign called "Books on Break." He is now looking forward to vacation time and to a yearly scheduled golfing 'adventure' with his old Wake Forest classmates In Park City, Utah. Eric also reports something else 'exciting': his granddaughter just graduated from the 8th grade. All is well in the Law family. Eric will be our Club President in the 2025-2026 Rotary Year!"

Hugh & Barbara Lewis (Hugh and Barbara Lewis are our Care & Concern Team's Liaisons to our fine IMPACT Club Members). Hugh and Barbara were very active "behind the grill" at the Dilworth Jubilee.

(Barbara & Hugh, continuing thanks to both of you for your fine work as our Club's Liaisons to our Impact Club offering your friendship and mentoring opportunities!)

Kay May (Reported by Barbara Horstmann and in her own words) – I texted Kay because I know she travels a lot. But, it amazed me that she was on a River Cruise in Paris at that moment. When she gets back to Charlotte, she plans to go up to the 'mountains' for about 6 or 8 weeks. Go Kay!!

Dave Miller (In his own words) - Dave reported that he is doing well. He and Karen are looking forward to their 35th week-long family reunion in Chesapeake City, MD, where Maryland blue crabs, silver queen sweet corn and assorted food and other goodies will cost them an additional five pounds each.

Tom Philson and his wife Vivian (Reported by Barbara Horstmann and in her own words) – Vivian and Tom have a mountain house not too far from Statesville. They usually go up for a period of time in the summer months. Unfortunately, Vivian is reluctant to leave the home she knows here in Charlotte. Time will tell as to whether she might decide it is fine to go to the mountain house. I hope that is the case."

Gus and Teresa Psomadakis (Reported by Dave Miller and in his own words) – Gus has been in and out of the hospital recently. All concerned have arranged a plan to help with some of the issues. He is dealing with a very low amount of energy. Teresa continues to assist her elderly parents in addition to taking care of Gus. (Gus and Teresa, you both are wished healing and better days ahead).

Kate Richards (Reported by Barbara Horstmann and in her own words) - Kate has tickets to fly to Colorado, but the people who were going to accompany her had a medical emergency and can't go. Kate is up in the air now about how she will use her ticket and who might accompany her.

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Angie Rikard – Angie and her husband are traveling in the near future to Italy to celebrate their recent marriage. We send our very best wishes to them for a safe and great trip/celebration!

Joy Rucker (Reported by Dave Miller and in his own words) – Joy continues to take PT three times a week and reports that they are doing a good job of working her hard! She is getting nearer to working full-time. She has a week-long visit plus a day or two to visit a friend in Alabama next month. I think we can be assured that she will be having a grand time!

Charlie Seaman (Reported by David Hodgkins and in his own words) - All is well with Charlie; he continues to be very busy with his Property Management Company. Charlie continues to be a dedicated member of our East Blvd. Clean-up Crew and our quarterly clean-up projects. He is looking forward to being with us for 2024-2025 District Governor Kevin Kendrick's Installation Ceremony on June 29th.

Jim Stump & his wife, Patsy (Reported by Dave Miller and in his own words) – Jim said he is doing fine except he is having a time finding someone who will listen to him. (just kidding)! Patsy recently retired and is doing well. Jim continues to lead our Care Team and, as everything else he does, he does it well! (Dave, thank you for you very kind words.)

Rebekah Taff – We continue to be very grateful to have Rebekah as our Club's Secretary.

Amarja Webb (Reported by Bob Teague and in his own words) – Amarja advises that she has recently visited the Rotary Club of Bombay/North Island on their annual "Charter Night" Celebration. This Club has now completed 38 years of service. They also helped her with the SHED project that our Club has collaborated on. Amarja adds that she is greatly enjoying being with her family and friends after a long time. (Amarja is our Club's incoming President for the Rotary Year 2024-2025.)



Special Request For ALL Club Members

TWO IMPORTANT MATTERS:

- 1. If you are aware of Members having special needs, health issues, or other concerns, PLEASE CONTACT ANY MEMBER OF THE CARE & CONCERNS COMMITTEE listed at the beginning of this article.
- 2. UPDATED Dilworth South End Rotary Club Membership Directories are available. If you would like one, please let our Club's Secretary, Rebekah Taff, know if you need a copy or an additional copy, and especially if your contact information has changed or will be changing. THANKS!!

Opportunities to Serve

Ongoing Projects



2nd and 4th Tuesdays 9:00 - 12:00 6/25, 7/9, 7/23, 8/13, 8/27, 9/10, 9/24





1st and 3rd Thursdays 10:30 - 12:30 6/20, 7/18, 8/1, 8/15, 9/5, 9/19

Upcoming Events

June 18: Go Rotary Night! Baseball Game and Barbecue Picnic (Queen City Impact Social)

June 29: District DG and Leadership Installation, CBI Charlotte (all hands on deck)

July 18-21: Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders (SFTL)

July 19: Club Installation of Officers / End of Year Meeting

October 19: Walk to End Alzheimers

CART - ROTARY JERSEYS FOR SALE

Tiffany Ervin, Executive Director of the CART fund

My club is selling Rotary jerseys as a fundraiser for CART. All proceeds go to CART!!

A limited number of these special jerseys are available. They are approved by RI for a one-time event and all proceeds will go to The CART Fund! Order yours today for \$40 by completing this google form!



Once you fill out the Google form, you will receive an invoice via PayPal and once you make your payment, the shirt(s) can be shipped out.



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME



VS



GO ROTARY NIGHT!
BASEBALL GAME AND
BARBECUE PICNIC

JUNE 18, 6-8PM-PICNIC, 7PM-GAMETIME
TICKETS \$39
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Ways to Give



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