

## The Dilworthian



Rotary Dilworth Charities



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



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Honored to Have Four DGs From Our Club:



We are thrilled to recognize and hear from the USO on Friday in the person of Julie Milani. Our club has been volunteering at the USO for years, primarily through the efforts of long-time member David Hodgkins. The USO is absolutely vital in helping our men and women of the military feel valued and appreciated. The mission of the USO is "To strengthen the well-being of the people serving in America's military and their families." They have been around since 1941, and rely on the generosity of individuals, organizations, and the private sector to support its activities.

March 1, 2024



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## **Upcoming Speakers**

March 1: USO with Julie Milani

March 8: Money Magnets Club with Dr. Alexandria

March 15: Alzheimer's Association with Alexandra Abbott

March 22: Quarterly Assembly

March 29: No Meeting - Good Friday

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#### **March Birthdays**

March 1 Kevin Kendrick March 5 Sean Fenerty March 14 Jenny Kendrick

## March Club Anniversaries

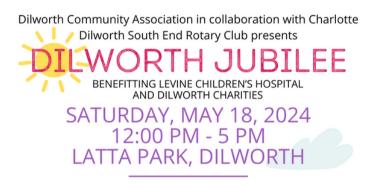
John Barringer (35 years) Dave Miller (29 years) Ranjit Rawlley (25 years) Kay May (18 years) Kelly Cates (7 years) Davis Bandi (2 years)

### **Dilworth Jubilee**

Members met online to discuss our upcoming Dilworth Jubilee. We feel good about moving forward with our partnership with the Dilworth Community Association.

I have included a flyer for this event. Please share on your social media and with everyone you can. If you would like a flyer you can print, <u>click here</u> or on the image below.

We have created a <u>sign-up genius for day of opportunities</u>, <u>which you can find here</u>. We also need volunteers to help with opportunities leading up to the day. if you are interested in helping, please contact Amarja Webb at <u>aamarja@gmail.com</u>.



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## This Week's Speaker

### Julie L. Milani



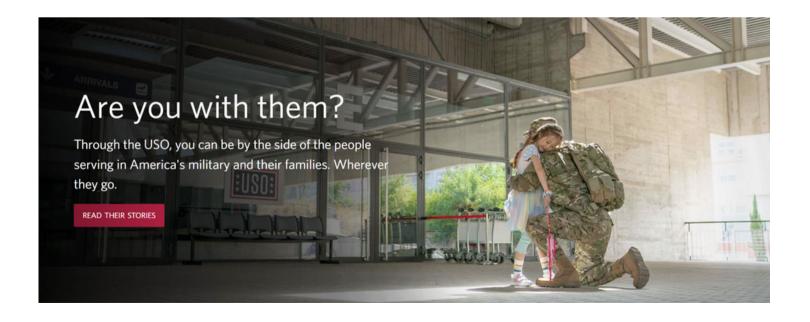
**USO** 

Julie L. Milani Center Manager USO North Carolina

As an Air Force "Brat" born overseas and a 25-year Army spouse, Julie spent most of her life supporting our Nation's military and their families. Having moved 11 times in 23 years, she would not trade the life experiences, travel opportunities, and friendships that she gained, which have now been passed on to her two children – one who is currently serving.

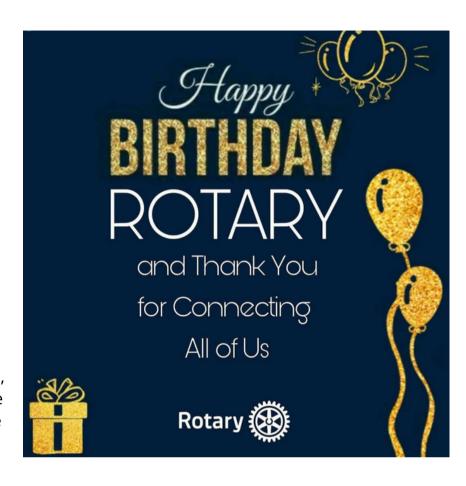
Julie holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Business Administration and has been employed by the USO North Carolina for ninr years, starting first at Fort Liberty/Fayetteville in Development and now as Center Manager at the USO Charlotte Center at the Charlotte Douglas Airport, where her responsibilities include the day-to-day airport center operations, managing 265 volunteers, and executing critical programs and services in the Piedmont region.

Charlotte has been her home for the last seven years but she is originally from Pennsylvania. She enjoys spending time with her family, reading, tennis and palling around with her dog.



Happy Birthday to me!! Yes, I'm officially 119 years old today but honestly, I don't feel very old at all! In fact, I think I actually feel younger and certainly more robust than I did on that day in February of 1905 when a young man and several of his friends decided to give me a name and a purpose. That man, whom we know as Paul Harris and the other gentlemen, decided to meet on a regular and rotating basis at one another's business, hence my name of Rotary.

And from that novel idea, has sprung the progeny of my humble beginnings. I now have 1.4 million relatives around the world and in this month where we recognize Peace, the very foundation of all of our activities, we celebrate through service. Service is what we live to do in my home and we have so many impactful ways to do it.



Getting rid of polio of course, has been my signature project but I'm thrilled to see all of the activities we are undertaking in promoting peace; clean water and sanitation; disease prevention; maternal and children's health; education and literacy; community and economic development; and sustaining our fragile environment. We are promoting awareness of the scope of mental health issues, human trafficking, Alzheimer's, and how we can empower women and girls.

I have lived these 119 years because my scions come together to serve. They don't care about superficial differences we may have regarding race, religion, political affiliation or other divisive factors. They understand that at our core, the qualities of fellowship, diversity, integrity, leadership and service, all bring us together to help those in need. They understand that in giving, we are actually the beneficiaries. They understand that my work is vitally important and that they will persevere.

What I love most is that I understand I am not perfect, even after all this time. But I am wiser and my wisdom will continue to grow through the years as new causes arise and new challenges confront the world.

So, Happy Birthday again to me!! And may I have many, many more!!!

## **Online Poverty Simulation at Crisis Assistance**

Kevin Kendrick

I had an incredibly productive time spending it with some fellow Rotarians at Crisis Assistance Ministry, participating in an organized, online poverty simulation. We worked in teams of two and handled situations that people face every single day with limited incomes and resources. Job considerations and limitations are a reality as are transportation, groceries, healthcare, childcare, and stress.

Most of us realized that regardless of how prudent we were, the reality of unplanned-for expenses is everywhere. We hope to develop a mechanism for sharing this impactful tool with clubs in the District in an effort to create greater awareness in the identification of ideas for service projects and in support of several of our areas of focus. Many thanks to Harriett Reynolds Porter for facilitating this.





## **Online Poverty Simulation at Crisis Assistance**







## Angie's & Mike's Wedding Donations for The Queen's Cupboard

Angie and Mike asked that instead of wedding gifts, guests bring items for donation. Joy dropped off those donations and send these photos of Ata helping her box them up for delivery!





## Diaper Bank - February 24 - Queen City Impact Club

Kevin Kendrick

Such a wonderful day for service! The Queen City Impact Club, the Charlotte International Rotary Club, and the Charlotte Dilworth South End Rotary Club, complemented by employees from Microsoft, were all present to pack size 3 diapers at the Diaper Bank of North Carolina in Charlotte. The folks from Microsoft were invited by Chris Arline (Charlotte International) who is doing a wonderful job of inviting outside organizations to partner with us on projects!

Our group of twenty packed 11,340 diapers representing 227 bottoms covered! On this weekend of service, we are thrilled to be able to do good in our community!! #GoRotary!



## **Diaper Bank - February 24 - Queen City Impact Club**













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## **Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders (SFTL)**



Check out our new website for Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders @ https://rotary7680.org/sftl/.

SFTL Student Registration is up and running in DACdb's RYLA module! And now it is up to you, the Rotarian, to make the difference. You are the one students need to make this happen.

Attached is the <u>SFTL brochure</u> designed for students, parents/guardians, Interact leaders, guidance counselors, and others. I have also included a <u>CCL Brochure</u> to provide some idea of how significant the program opportunity is for students.

Please ask your student and their parents or guardians to complete the <u>SFTL Student Application found</u> <u>HERE</u> which will then registerthem in DACdb's RYLA module as Applicant Entered.

ACTION REQUIRED: Don't wait, recruit now. The deadline is March 31, 2024.

Our club sponsors two students annually, so please help us recruit!







## **Ways to Give**



**Dilworth Charities**: We are the nonprofit arm of Charlotte Dilworth South End Rotary Club. As a registered 501(c)(3), contributions are tax-deductible.

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For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.

\$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.

\$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.



## **Opportunities to Serve**

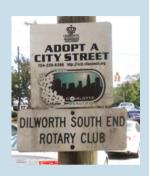
#### **Ongoing Projects**



2nd and 4th Tuesdays 9:00 - 12:00 3/12, 3/26, 4/9, 4/23, 5/14, 5/28, 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23



1st and 3rd Thursdays 10:30 - 12:30 3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16, 6/6, 6/20



Quarterly Saturdays 8:30 - 10:00 5/4



Thursday, March 7, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm: Diaper Bank

**Friday, March 8, 9:00 am - 12: pm**: **South Meck Second Harvest Food Bank** 10-12 volunteers needed to inspect, sort, and pack donated products to be distributed to SHFB partner agencies, including homeless shelters, emergency pantries, and soup kitchens. Volunteers are expected to stay the full three hours. SIGN UP HERE

Thursday, March 21, 10:30 am-12:30 pm: Diaper Bank

#### Saturday, March 23: Communication Counts, Charlotte Speech and Hearing

Charlotte Speech and Hearing Center needs several day-of volunteers to help out at their Communication Counts 5k fundraiser. The event is on Saturday, March 23, 2024, at McAlpine Creek Park in Charlotte. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 am-10:30 am to hand out medals and water bottles at the finish line.

Please email Shannon at stucker@charlottespeechhearing.com if you're interested in volunteering.

You can register or learn more about the event here: <a href="https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Charlotte/CommunicationCounts">https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Charlotte/CommunicationCounts</a>

**Friday, April 12: South Meck One Yard Away Service Project** with Chen Correll at Darden Court in Southeast Charlotte 8-10 volunteers needed for 60-90 minutes; <u>SIGN UP HERE</u>

Saturday, May 4, 8:30 am - 10:00 am: Adopt-a-Street Street Cleaning

Saturday, May 11, 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Karen Dale Foundation's Caribbean Lime (to be determined)

Saturday, May 18, 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Dilworth Jubilee

## **Empowering & Elevating Women in the Workplace**

Empowering & Elevating Women in the Workplace 8 March on.rotary.org/3T7Tr0e

Celebrate International Women's Day with us! How can we reach our gender equality goals and have more women in leadership positions? Hear from our experts on the importance of allies, mentorship, and identifying leaders. Register today



### **Partner News - ANSWER Scholarships**







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Newsletter

Grab your best Gal Pals and join us for this year's Pause, Reset, Brunch. ANSWER is excited to sponsor this amazing event again in 2024. One of this year's speakers is an ANSWER Alum, LaToya Hill.

LaToya is a native of Eastern North Carolina and a Sports Management graduate. She transitioned from an employee to a successful entrepreneur in the past seven years. Proud owner of Hill'n Hands Massage, a premier therapy company in Charlotte, she specializes in sports-related modalities and holistic recovery practices. As the force behind TOYA (Take On Your Aspirations), she bridges the gap for young athletes and offers free massages to pregnant teens. LaToya launched Hill'n University in 2023, a mentorship program promoting unity among massage therapists. Inspired by her life experiences, she empowers veterans through breathwork. LaToya, driven by her passion, aims to educate Charlotte on wellness through massage. Engaging with her promise's enlightenment and inspiration.

We can't wait to see you on March 9th!







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#### **REGISTER NOW:**



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## **Go Rotary! District Conference, Charleston, SC**

When: April 19-21, 2024

Registration opens Friday, April 19, at 2:00 pm The conference ends on Sunday, April 21, at 11:00 am

Where: Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, SC

Register early as a finite number of rooms have been reserved for this lower price.

Join us at the Rotary District 7680 Conference for inspiration, collaboration, and a deepened commitment to service.



Engage with dynamic speakers, exchange ideas, and celebrate collective achievements.

- Anyone registered and hotel booked by February 21 will be entered into a drawing for an upgrade to a suite for the weekend valued at \$400
- Prizes, Raffles, and Auctions... oh my! One-of-a-kind custom furniture will be raffled and auctioned with proceeds benefiting Rotary
- Entertainment provided by Jessi Little, an actor and singer who has performed with various professional theatres across the country as well as various sports venues, including Fenway Park

This event is a hub for amplifying the impact of service projects through collaboration within our Rotary district network and celebrating the HOPE we Created in the World this year.

See Charleston again, for the very first time, and don't miss this indispensable experience with a vibrant community of change-makers. Go Rotary!

#### Register on DACdb at this link

Registration will open at 2:00 pm on Friday, April 19, 2024, followed by our welcome reception/cash bar at 6:00 pm and awards dinner at 7:00 pm. The conference will conclude by 11:00 am on Sunday.

Registering for the hotel is separate from the DacDb Conference Registration. Use the following link to secure your hotel accommodations:

Hotel Link: <a href="https://reservations.travelclick.com/76320?groupID=3858102">https://reservations.travelclick.com/76320?groupID=3858102</a>

Online Code: ROTARY24 - Hotel Registration ends March 29, 2024 (NO Exceptions, Hotel policy)

If you have questions, please contact District Secretary Wally Olson at <a href="mailto:bikerwoe@icloud.com">bikerwoe@icloud.com</a> or Text/Call at 240-446-8411



#### **Our Contact Information**

Charlotte Speech and Hearing Center 741 Kenilworth Avenue, Suite 100 Charlotte, NC 28204 704-523-8027

http://charlottespeechhearing.com



If it is your New Year's resolution, to give back, run a 5k, or get in shape during 2024, we have the perfect place to start! CSHC will be hosting our <u>5th annual</u> <u>Communication Counts 5k and Kids Dash</u> on **Saturday, March 23rd, 2024**!

This event will raise critical funds that provide access to superior speech-language and hearing services that empower and transform lives to anyone in need in our community.

Start the new year off right by registering or donating today!

**Register** 

**Donate** 



Fundraiser to support Karen Dale Foundation's Education & Literacy Programs.

## Curibbean Lime



Pre-Orders Only! Scan QR Code or Visit our Website to Place Your Order & Purchase 50/50 Raffle Tickets



SATURDAY MAY 11th, 2024 3PM - 7PM

William R Davie Conference Center 4635 Pineville-Matthews Road Charlotte, NC 28226

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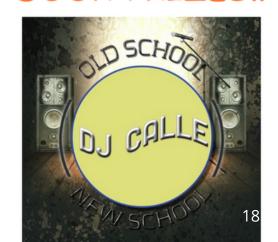
Enjoy Delicious Caribbean Food Jerk/Stew/Curry Chicken (\$20)
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Plus Rice & Peas, Mac & Cheese, Veggies
(Prepared by Chef Henry Catering)

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Hang out and Play Dominoes, Card Games, Cornhole, & More

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## Partner News - Stan Greenspon Holocaust and Social Justice Education Center - Seeing Auschwitz

This is the information Judy La Pietra, Stan Greenspon Holocaust and Social Justice Education Center, mentioned when she spoke on December 8. <u>Click here or on the image below for more information</u>.



#### Seeing Auschwitz Exhibit

Seeing Auschwitz is the world's first touring photographic exhibit that provides us with the opportunity to bear witness to this history at a local level.

The Stan Greenspon Holocaust and Social Justice Education Center at Queens University is proud to host this world-renowned exhibit on its North American debut in Charlotte.

Tickets: Will go on sale on December 14th

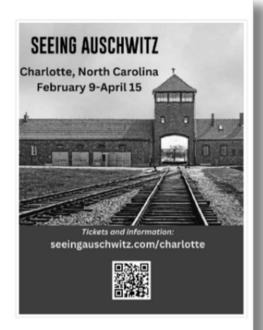
School groups: Please email cunninghamk@queens.edu to schedule your field trips.

#### Location & Time:

Visual and Performing Arts Center (VAPA) in Uptown Charlotte

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Click Here to RSVF



### **Partner News - Mecklenburg Ministries**





Since March 2020, MeckMIN (<u>Mecklenburg's Metropolitan Interfaith</u> Network) has been convening regular Zoom meetings for faith, community and nonprofit leaders. These meetings allow diverse leaders to share information and resources to foster a robust, coordinated, and effective response to the needs of our community, especially our most vulnerable neighbors. We meet every other Thursday at 11 a.m. We usually get about 50-60 people and typically an additional 100 or so read the minutes.

We will meet next on February 29 at 11 a.m., and we hope you'll join us.

Read most recent Newsletter Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/492741341?

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Meeting ID: 492 741 341

Passcode: 294028

The February 29 meeting will focus on organizations working to prevent youth violence and/or to help young people who've been impacted by violence as victims or perpetrators



## **Upcoming Events**

February 9 - April 15: Seeing Auschwitz

February 23: World Rotary Day - Rotary's 119th Anniversary

March 8: Empowering & Elevating Women in the Workplace

March 9: Pause, Reset, Brunch: Reclaiming Your Crown - ANSWER Scholarships

March 23: Communication Counts 5K for Charlotte Speech and Hearing

April 11: Rotary 101

April 16: NC MedAssist Luncheon

April 19-21: District Conference, Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, SC

May 11: Karen Dale Foundation's Caribbean Lime

**May 17: Latta Park Picnic and Garden Dedication** 

May 18: Dilworth's Jubilee collaboration with Dilworth Neighborhood Association (formerly Party in the Park)

May 25-29 Rotary International Convention, Singapore

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

