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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)



CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

Queen City Impact & Charlotte Speech and Hearing 5K

**COMMUNICATION
COUNTS 5K**
CHARLOTTE SPEECH AND
HEARING CENTER

Chair Choice Gray is putting together a team (Rotary Runners) for our Partner Charlotte Speech and Hearing Center's *Communication Counts 5K Run* on Saturday, March 23 (see flyer in this newsletter). Anyone is welcomed to sign up. (She advises that Impact members who opt out of running/walking will be charged \$35! So be sure to sign up below!)

If you don't want to run, you can still help by donating to this wonderful cause!

SIGN UP

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Upcoming Speakers

February 2: Montessori Education with Lorena Prince
February 9: Black History Month with Ronald Harrill
February 16: Anxiety and Mental Health with Dr. Mary Berge
February 23: [Mind Body Baby](#) with Cynthia Wood
March 1: [USO](#) with Julie Milani

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9 Dawn Peterson

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Riley Hilsman (1 yr)

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Giving

Click on yellow links to give online.
If writing a check, please make it to
"Dilworth Charities" with a note to
which fund you are giving to.

[Dilworth Charities](#)

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History of the Rotary Bell

In 1922, U.S. Rotarians organized an attendance contest; the challenge was that the losing clubs would join in giving the winning club a prize.

The Rotary Club of New York City was declared the winner and they were awarded as a prize a bell from a popular patrol boat, which was placed on wood that came from HMS "Victory", Admiral Nelson's vessel at the battle of Trafalgar.

Since then, the bell used in Rotary meetings started to represent, as on the ships, order, discipline, and the time to guide us through the weekly hour-and-a-half meetings. The bell informs us with its sound at the beginning of the Rotary meeting, other club rituals, and of course the closure of the regular club meeting.



Valentine Macaroons for Sale by Covenant



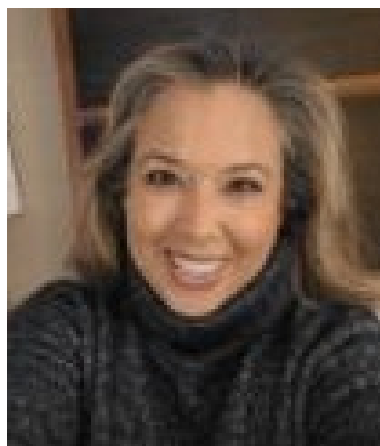
Covenant's chef Johnny Gomillion is selling Valentine Macaroons!

If you would like to order, [please use the form available at this link](#).

Deadline for ordering is February 9. A Count of 4 is \$8.

Pick up from the Fellowship Hall kitchen
February 13 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
February 14 from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Lorena Prince



Montessori Education

My husband Thom and I have lived in the Charlotte area since 2011. I am originally from south Texas and spent 15 years in Miami, FL. While studying Broadcast Journalism, I interned at Telemundo where I was invited to sit in on a corporate strategy meeting and then hired as a buyer for Telenovela scripts. The drama was heavy at the network in the 90s so the job was short-lived.

With a new passion and new goals in mind, I landed at American Arbitration Association where for 10 years as Regional Liaison I was in charge of business development, B2B sales, Arbitrator/Mediator Training, and union and condo association elections for south Florida and the Caribbean. It was during this time that I was introduced to Rotary and helped charter The Rotaract Club of Coral Gables, a community Club, and then the Rotaract Club of Miami which had 72 members in its first year.

Upon arriving in North Carolina, I continued my work in business development in the private sector working for several law firms including helping my husband start his own firm. I took a two-year sabbatical and focused on service to the community through various nonprofit organizations and serving on my Rotary Club's board and various D7680 committees and Rotary Zone 33 as Rotaract Advisor. I am currently RLI Chair.

Four years ago, I decided to use my Montessori Teacher Training certificate that I took in 1995 and was hired as a co-teacher of Spanish immersion primary at Phoenix Montessori Academy, but again found my way to the business office and am now their Director of Admissions and Student Services. I have been a longtime advocate for children in underprivileged and underserved communities and my goal has been to try to bring a Montessori education to children with lesser means by way of grants and scholarships.

Ken Otterbourg gave us a thorough look at the National Registry of Exonerations which was very eye-opening for many of our members. The number of innocent individuals who have been locked up for various amounts of time is overwhelming. Ken works with others to research and record this information in the registry. He answered questions and left with one intriguing question from Tom Philson.

Unfortunately, the video did not come out, so we can't share.

As a follow-up to Tom Philson's question, Ken emailed later with this information:

"One of the questions was about a man named Clarence Henderson. It's an interesting situation. He was convicted three times for murder, and each time the conviction was tossed. This is back in the 40s and 50s. Eventually, the state declined to pursue a fourth trial. They placed Henderson on what is called a "dead docket," which is a little bit of legal purgatory. They didn't pursue a trial, nor did they formally dismiss --- until last year.

"There are several things from the Registry's standpoint. First, does the dead docket count as a dismissal? I need to discuss this with my colleagues. I've never run across the issue. If we count the dead docket as a dismissal, then Henderson might qualify for our pre-1989 Registry IF at least one of his convictions was vacated based on new evidence of innocence. I'll let you know what I found out.

"I've done some research on Mr. Henderson's case. It doesn't meet our criteria for an exoneration, unfortunately. That's not to minimize the extent of the injustice etc. It's a tragic case. As I mentioned in my talk, exonerees need to have all their charges dismissed. Mr. Henderson's case was placed on a "dead docket," but it wasn't dismissed until after his death. Dismissals that occur post-mortem, such as what happened in Mr. Henderson's case, are viewed more properly through a political rather than legal lens. We've had other cases that we've not included based on this decision."



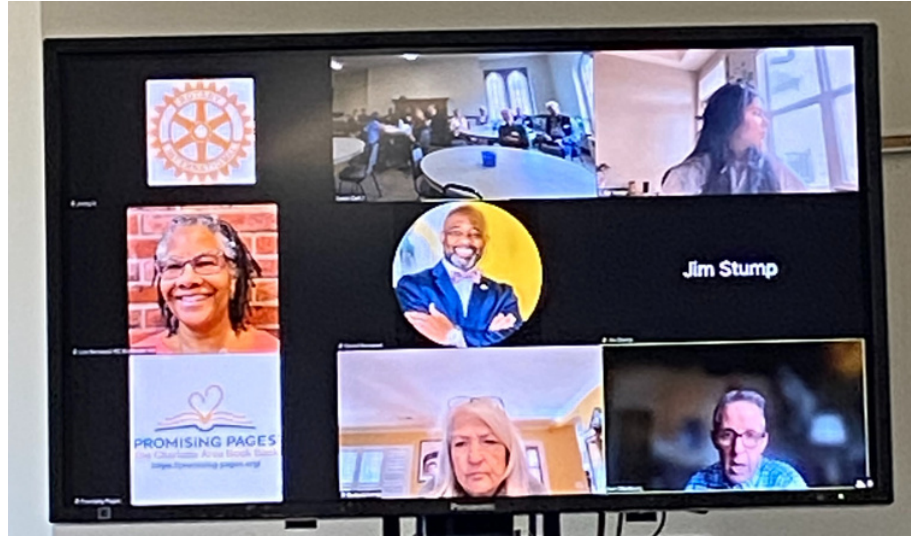
Last Week's Meeting



BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY



MATERNAL AND
CHILD HEALTH



Mid-Year Assembly & Pre-PETS

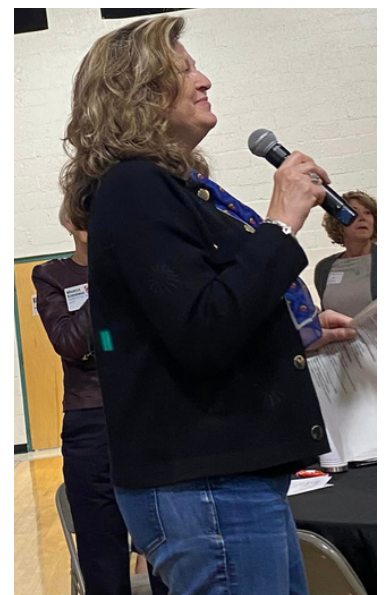
Any day spent with Rotarians is a good day. And when you spend it with over 100 of them at a training assembly, it's an even better day. We heard familiar information about our avenues of service but learned new aspects of each as well. We heard powerful stories from our youth on the impact of our clubs for youth called Interact and our leadership program for teens called SFTL.

We had breakout sessions focused on peace and DEI, membership, public image, public relations, goal-setting for clubs, and mentoring. And we learned about our Action Plan priorities and associated objectives, and what initiatives clubs might undertake in meeting those priorities.

It was a wonderful day for learning and in some cases, re-learning how we can make more of an impact in the communities we live and work in. Thanks to ALL who made this day possible.



Midyear Assembly & Pre-PETS



Queen City Impact Social at The Puttery

President Darrell Bonapart

I had a wonderful social time out with fellow Rotarians. Thanks to the Chair of our Impact Club (Choice Gray) for choosing an awesome venue for indoor putt putt at the Puttery Charlotte in Southend.



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8	4	6	4
9	4	6	6
TOTAL STROKES	32	36	44
PAR TOTAL	32	+4	+12

Queen City Impact Social at The Puttery



Ways to Give



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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or
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CART Fund by-laws require that 100% of all donated funds go directly to Alzheimer's research.

www.cartfund.org



CART
Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust

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- *Started in 1996 by Rotarians in Sumter, SC, voluntarily emptying their pockets and purses of spare change into "little blue buckets" at their weekly lunch meetings
- *Supported by more than 600 Rotary clubs in 40 Rotary districts
- *Awarded more than \$11 million in research grants to 60+ different research institutions in the US
- *Founding member of the Alzheimer's & Dementia Rotary Action Group

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Our mission: The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

What impact can one donation have?

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.

[Donate](#)



Relief in place of despair, acceptance in place of rejection, and empowerment in place of hopelessness.



Thank you for being a [Relative](#) to young people experiencing crisis.

The Relatives has an urgent need for lunches and dinners at the Youth Crisis Center and the On Ramp Resource Center.

Homemade, store-bought, or Uber Eats - you can make a tremendous difference by providing a meal for our youth!

Please use the button below or [click here to register as a volunteer](#) and provide a meal for the young people at The Relatives.



Opportunities to Serve

Ongoing Projects



2nd and 4th Tuesdays 9:00 - 12:00
2/13, 2/27, 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
2/15, 3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16, 6/6, 6/20



Quarterly Saturdays 8:30 - 10:00
2/17, 5/18

SIGN UP



Saturday, February 3: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm: Dilworth Association: Latta Park As a Volunteer. Bring gloves and a shovel, the group will be planting some small tree saplings ordered with funds from the Dilworth Community Association, some cherry laurels from Allen, and ferns from Nancy. Meet at the E Park Avenue/Park Rd. entrance to the Park.

Tuesday, February 13, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm: [NC MedAssist](#)

Thursday, February 15, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm: [Diaper Bank](#)

Saturday, February 17, 8:30 am - 10:00 am: [Adopt-a-Street Street Cleaning](#)

Saturday, February 24, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm: [Diaper Bank](#) Queen City Impact

Tuesday, February 27, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm: [NC MedAssist](#)

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. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4EAEA623A0F85-47300208-second#/>

Thursday, March 21, 10:30 am-12:30 pm: [Diaper Bank](#)

Saturday, March 23: [Communication Counts, Charlotte Speech and Hearing](#)

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

Saturday, May 18, 8:30 am - 10:00 am: [Adopt-a-Street Street Cleaning](#)

Help us send a message of

LOVE & HOPE

to those most forgotten this VALENTINE'S DAY!



Nothing is more special than a Valentine's Day card straight from the heart and the hands.



Help us combat the effects of Social Isolation & Loneliness

Here's How:

Email info@iamlovenaction.org to join our efforts. Create a colorful treasured Valentine's Day card. The card may include poems, loving words, quotes, or a friendly message wishing Happy Valentine's Day. Your artwork will be delivered to Nursing Home residents and Meals on Wheels recipients.

Card Deadline: Monday, Feb. 12th



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LOVE OCCUPY 2024

Valentine's Day Card Creation Parties



Join Us!



Thursday, January 25th 10 am -12 pm
South County Regional Library - 5802 Rea Rd.

Saturday, January 27th 1-3 pm
Michaels Arts & Crafts - 8813 JW Clay Blvd, Ste A

Wednesday, January 31st 10 am - 12 pm
South Park Regional Library - 7015 Carnegie Blvd

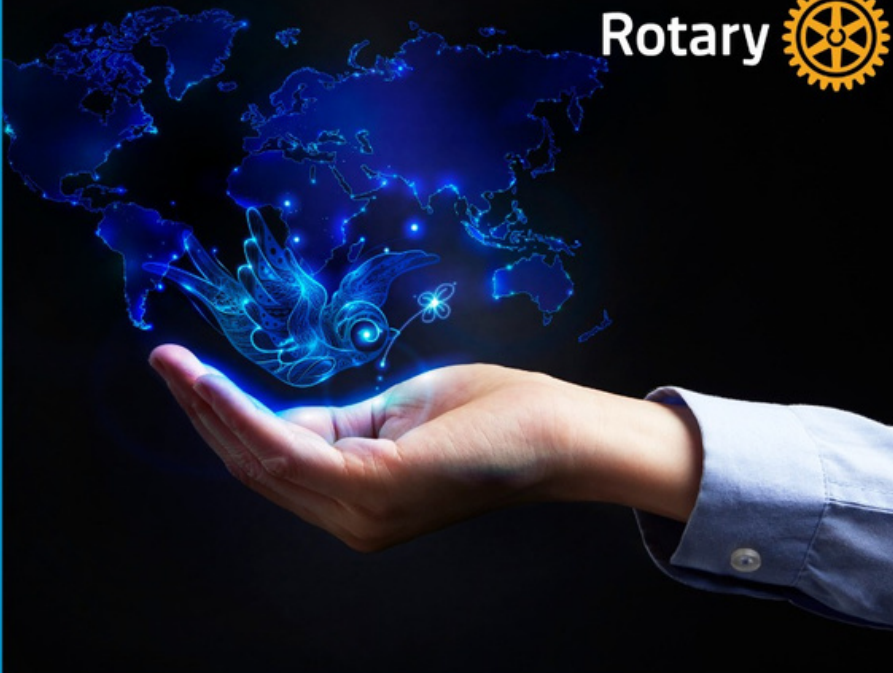
Thursday, February 1st - Friday, February 9th, Drop-In
Allbirds 100 W. Worthington Ave, Suite 101

Saturday, February 3rd 11:30 am -1:30 pm
The Creative Hub - 321 East Blvd. Suite 2

Saturday, February 10th Drop-In 10 am - 7 pm
J. Jill South Park - 4400 Sharon Rd.

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As valued supporters, patients, and donors of Charlotte Speech and Hearing Center, we wanted to make you aware of an upcoming change with our Charlotte clinic.

At the end of this month, we will be relocating our clinic to a new location around the corner. We have found a lovely new home at the "Morehead Mansion" located at 817 E. Morehead St., just a mile away from our current location.

During the month of January, until Friday, January 26th, 2024, we will be operating at our current location- 741 Kenilworth Ave., Suite 100. .

Our Charlotte clinic will be closed from Monday, January 29 through Friday, February 2, 2024. Beginning Monday, February 5, 2024, we will begin operating at 817 E. Morehead St.

At our new location, the entire first floor will be dedicated to CSHC's clinical space, with easy access for our patients and ample parking.

Our team is very excited about this move and the opportunity for growth! We look forward to serving you at our new location soon.

Sincerely, Shannon Tucker, Executive Director





5TH ANNUAL

COMMUNICATION COUNTS 5K

Our Contact Information

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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 [5th annual Communication Counts 5k and Kids Dash](#) 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 the
Karen Dale Foundation's
Education & Literacy
Programs.

Caribbean Lime

SAVE
THE
DATE!

SATURDAY
MAY 11th, 2024
3PM - 7PM

**Enjoy Delicious
Caribbean Food**

**Play Dominoes, Card Games,
Cornhole, & More**

**Feel the Island Energy from
Caribbean Music**

More details to come!



[Read ANSWER
Newsletter](#)



**PAUSE
RESET
BRUNCH**
Reclaiming Your Crown

MAR 9TH 2024

Lisa Carter,
Speaker
and Author

LaToya Hill,
Hill'n Hands
Massage Therapy,
Alternative & Holistics
Health provider

Tori Stevens,
Career Strategist
& Founder of
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Otissa Marble,
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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!



[Read January 18
Newsletter](#)

Since March 2020, MeckMIN ([Mecklenburg's Metropolitan Interfaith 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 1 at 11 a.m., and we hope you'll join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/492741341?
pwd=ZEIJVG8vTjVZdy92MUUwWmx0cmRIUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/492741341?pwd=ZEIJVG8vTjVZdy92MUUwWmx0cmRIUT09)

Meeting ID: 492 741 341

Passcode: 294028

Partner News - WASH Rotary Action Group

UNICEF will be holding a webinar on February 14, 2024 to share about emergency response and ongoing crisis response. The Safeguarding Every Child webinar will include an update on work in Haiti and be translated into several languages including French. During the webinar our team of experts will also assess the urgencies of children caught in global emergencies – widely publicized and lesser-known– from the State of Palestine to Türkiye, Syria, Sudan and Ukraine.

The following is the link to the webinar. Webinar playback will be provided afterward.

Wednesday, February 14 - 11:00 am

Arabic, French, German, and Spanish live interpretation

ZOOM Registration links – registration is required to join:

https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zxIOrs1LR1y6j1JJ1MZ6Fg

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: <https://reservations.travelclick.com/76320?groupID=3858102>

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

If you have questions, please contact District Secretary Wally Olson at bikerwoe@icloud.com or Text/Call at 240-446-8411



The graphic features three circular images: the top one shows the Charleston Harbor Bridge, the middle one shows a cityscape with buildings, and the bottom one shows a street scene with colorful buildings. The text on the graphic includes the 'Go Rotary!' logo, the Rotary District 7680 logo, and the 'CREATE HOPE in the WORLD' logo. The main text reads 'REDISCOVER CHARLESTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE APRIL 19-21, 2024'. Below this, it says 'A FULL WEEKEND AT THE FRANCIS MARION HOTEL TO CELEBRATE ROTARY AND EXPLORE CHARLESTON'. A list of activities includes 'DYNAMIC SPEAKERS', 'PRICELESS NETWORKING', 'INSPIRING STORIES', 'HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP', 'ENTERTAINMENT, AWARDS', and 'PRIZES AND FUN'. A QR code is provided for registration, with the URL 'HTTP://TINYURL.COM/GOROTARY'. Below the QR code, it says 'BOOK HOTEL SEPARATELY. INFO ON DACDB REGISTRATION'. At the bottom, the URL 'HTTPS://ROTARY7680.ORG/DISTRICTCONFERENCE2024/' is displayed.

Upcoming Events

February 5: Charlotte Speech and Hearing's New Office Space will open for business

February 14, 11:00 am: UNICEF Webinar

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

July 18-21 Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders



A blue and yellow flyer for the "Rotary 101" event. At the top, it says "Know Rotary!" in a cursive font. Below that is the Rotary logo and "District 7680". To the right, "7680 ROTARY101" is written in large, bold letters. The dates and times are listed: "Wednesday, January 10, 2024 7 pm" and "Thursday, April 11, 2024, 7 pm". A section titled "New to Rotary or want to know more? This is for you!" describes the event as a virtual tour. It includes a QR code and a link to register: "https://www.dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77687343". Contact information for Marcia Scheideman and Lorena Prince is provided at the bottom. A circular graphic on the right side shows a laptop screen with a blue circle overlaid.