

# The Dilworthian





April 12, 2024



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

or



ZOOM

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/ 86842326040

Meeting ID: 868 4232 6040

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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 Members,

Please remember to download the Ignite app and ensure you can access DACdb for Friday's meeting per previous email. Rotarian Chris Jones will be walking us through using the app.

#### This app will:

- give you access to members' contact information
- the ability to "text" or call them
- to pay your dues
- to add your service hours
- to check the calendar for upcoming events
- to check your Rotary Foundation giving

Please note that starting next week, Covenant will be having work done on the Fellowship Hall roof, causing limited access to the parking lot. See page 2 for more information, and plan accordingly.

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# **Upcoming Speakers**

April 12: Ignite with Chris Jones

April 19: Mental Health with Dr. Jeanette Bennett

April 26: Research Findings to Optimizing Longevity with Jeffrey Galvin

May 3: Shermco Foundation with Jia Lin-Bothe

May 10: TBD

May 17: Latta Park Annual Picnic, Latta Park

May 18: Dilworth Jubilee, Latta Park

May 24: No Meeting - Memorial Day

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#### **April Birthdays**

April 1 Taylor Houston April 5 Eric Law April 11 Rebekah Taff April 11 Tej Gorde April 24 Bob Teague April 25 Barbara Lewis

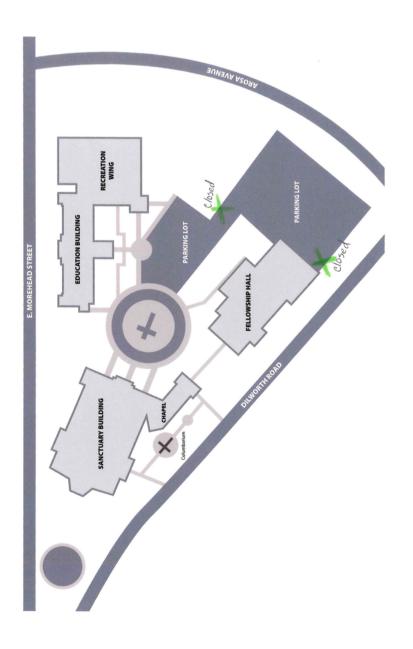
### **April Club Anniversaries**

Frank Kiker (40 yrs)
Taylor Houston (4 yrs)

# **Covenant Parking**

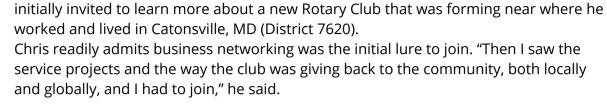
Covenant is having some roofing work done on our Fellowship Hall building during the time frame of April 16 – May 3. Should not impact any of the meetings held during this time except for our parking situation.

Construction equipment will be in the upper parking lot behind Fellowship Hall. The parking lot entrance at Dilworth Rd., and the connecting entrance between the upper parking lot and our main drive will be closed during this time. See map below to help visualize this. Please inform your group participants about this access change and the slightly reduced number of parking spaces. Evening groups will likely not be impacted by the parking issue as much as groups meeting during daytime hours.



# This Week's Speaker

# Chris Jones



Sometimes the best Rotarians grow out of someone who never even knew what

Rotary was. That might be the case with Past District Governor Chris Jones, who was



**Ignite** 

Soon after being asked to serve as President of the club, Chris moved to North Carolina. Fortunately, he found the same qualities he enjoyed so much in Maryland in the Rotary Club of Lake Norman-Huntersville, (he is now a member of the Rotary Club of Cabarrus County) and it was only a matter of time before he was again involved in club leadership. This time, however, it went to an entirely new level as he began assuming roles in both his district and ultimately his zone.

Chris' Rotary service crosses numerous areas of focus, having led committees for The Rotary Foundation, International Assembly Learning Facilitator, Carolinas' PETS Training Director, membership, and public image, just to name a few. He is a past Rotary Coordinator for Zone 33 and past Co-Chair of the Innovative Club Advocates and is now serving the Zone as the Vice-Chair of the Zones 33/34 Membership Action Plan (MAP). On a less formal (but perhaps more fun) note, he served as the president of the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians from 2016-19 and is a charter member of the Whisk(e)y Drinking Rotarians Fellowship, but he is certain to never mix the two at the same time.

"Rotary is like a family for me," said Chris. "When my wife became quite ill and we had no family in the area, Rotary acted just like family. They took care of us, fed us, helped us move and so much more."

After 23 years in Rotary, Chris has far too many amazing memories and "Rotary moments" to list them all, but he cites the opportunity to visit India for National Immunization Day (NID) as one of his favorite experiences. "WOW! We learned not only how important the work that Rotary does in polio eradication, but also saw many other projects where Rotary has made life-transformational impacts for the people of India."

As a respected Rotary leader, Chris is often invited to share his expertise with clubs and districts around the world. Chris has a passion for Rotary, and as such he serves DACdb as its President and CEO. "I'm proud to be called a Rotarian and proud of the people I serve with to make a difference," said Chris. "Rotary allows me to lay my head down on the pillow at the end of the day and know I've made a difference, and that allows for good sleep. Rotary is simply the best place to meet people, exchange ideas, take action, and make the world a better place."

# Earth Day - 04/22/2024

Earth Day 2024 falls on Monday, April 22. This annual event serves as a powerful reminder of the significance of environmental conservation and sustainability. On this extraordinary day, people around the world come together to honor our remarkable planet and take action for a healthier Earth and a brighter future.

The theme for Earth Day 2024 is "Planet vs. Plastics". EARTHDAY.ORG is unwavering in its commitment to end plastics for the sake of human and planetary health. The goal is to demand a 60% reduction in the production of ALL plastics by 2040. Plastics pose risks to humanity and all living creatures, disrupting the delicate balance of life on Earth. To address this, we advocate for rapidly phasing out single-use plastics, pushing for a strong UN Treaty on Plastic Pollution, and promoting innovative solutions to build a plastic-free world 3.

Join the movement, participate in events, sign petitions, volunteer, and make a meaningful impact. Let's protect our planet today and for generations to come! \*\*

Watch their video by clicking on the image below.



# **Rotary Peace Conference - 04-06-2024**

Kevin Kendrick

Rotary has seven areas where we direct much of our time and resources. One of those seven areas is Peace. And to demonstrate our commitment to promulgating peace, we have seven Rotary Peace Centers around the world where individuals who are interested in pursuing academic studies can attend. It's a highly competitive process to become a Rotary Peace Fellow, but the effort is worth it for all concerned. Peace Fellows acquire skills in research and conflict analysis, conflict resolution, communications skills and leadership.

One of those Peace Centers is at Duke/UNC in Chapel Hill. I had the opportunity to witness the graduation of ten Fellows from the program at Duke-UNC. But it goes far beyond a ceremony. We had the distinct honor of learning what these incredibly bright and motivated students have been working on and those projects included discussions on:

- Vietnam's social insurance system and growing inequity in the system;
- the need for training community health workers in South Africa on what gender-based violence looks like;
- Re-thinking what International aid looks like in Afghanistan and how it is utilized;
- enhanced training for the military in Chile to better assist in a growing immigration crisis;
- respecting the rights of indigenous peoples in Thailand who live in protected woodlands;
- ensuring access to healthcare for Latinos in North Carolina with the introduction of Medicaid benefits.

Every single presentation was highly researched and professional. I could not have been more impressed.

Rotary has graduated some 1700 of these Peace Fellows and we know, this is how change happens.



















# **DG Kevin's District Leadership Installation**

Dear Dilworth and Queen City Impact Members, please see the *Save the Date* below. We would love to have as many of our members on-hand to help with various duties on this date.

We will need people to volunteering in a number of capacities, and we will try to match your skills with the needs for the day!

Thank you for your support of DG Kevin!







# DGE Kevin Kendrick and District Leadership Installation

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

**CBI Charlotte** 

Watch for invitation in an Evite!

4020 Yancey Rd Charlotte, NC 28217

# **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 March 14 at 11 a.m., and we hope you'll join us.

Read 4/4/2024 Newsletter Join Zoom Meeting

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

pwd=ZEIJVG8vTjVZdy92MUUwWmx0cmRlUT09

Meeting ID: 492 741 341

Passcode: 294028

# 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 RSVI



# **Partner News - Sedgefield Middle School**



#### **Sedgefield Middle School Needs 40 Proctors on Three Dates**

#### The dates are:

- May 28 ELA/Reading 7:45 am 12:00 pm
- May 30 Math EOG/Math 1 EOC 7:45 am 12:00 pm
- June 4 8th Grade Science EOG 7:45 am 12:00 pm

#### **Proctors:**

- MUST be 18 years or older and an approved CMS volunteer. If you volunteered last year, you must register again. This must be completed each year to serve as a volunteer. Please register using the following link: <a href="https://www.cmsvolunteers.com/">https://www.cmsvolunteers.com/</a>.
- May not be assigned to proctor in a room where a relative is testing
- Read proctor guide
- Receive face to face proctor training
- May not assist students nor be left alone with testing materials
- May not read test directions
- Must turn off cell phone and not have access to any electronic devices.

You do not need to have a student attending Sedgefield.

If you would like to help out, please sign up here.

#### Needed for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week: May 6-10, 2024

Gift cards in any amount \$5 - \$25 to include restaurants, coffee houses, movie tickets, Amazon, etc. which will be raffled off twice a day for the entire week.



Contact Catherine Eldridge at <a href="mailto:catherine.eldridge@cms.k12.nc.us">catherine.eldridge@cms.k12.nc.us</a>

#### **Other Helpful Links**

Volunteer Recruitment- Volunteers must do form annually. Can be online.

- Link for Renewing or becoming a CMS volunteer: <a href="https://www.cmsvolunteers.com/">https://www.cmsvolunteers.com/</a>
- Link for Harris Teeter: <a href="https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education">https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education</a>; Sedgefield Code is 2106-this has to be annually. You can also do this through the HT app
- Link to donate to CMS Foundation: <a href="https://cms-foundation.org/relief">https://cms-foundation.org/relief</a>
- Link to donate to Sedgefield Middle School PTO: <a href="https://smspto.org/fundraising/">https://smspto.org/fundraising/</a>
- Link to Sedgefield Middle School PTO Newsletter: https://smspto.org/spartan-express/

# **Opportunities to Serve**

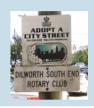
#### **Ongoing Projects**



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



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



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



Thursday, April 18, 10:30 am: The Diaper Bank of North Carolina

Tuesday, April 23, 9:00 am: NC MedAssist

Saturday, April 27, 9:00 am: Grist Mill Service Day (Charlotte Providence Club)

Thursday, May 2, 10:30 am: The Diaper Bank of North Carolina

Friday, May 3, 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm: Feeding Charlotte Food Prep (sign up next page)

Saturday, May 4, 9:00 am - 11:00 am: Feeding Charlotte Food Delivery (sign up next page)

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

**Friday, May 10:** A Roof Above (at Hyatt House hotel) - 6-8 volunteers needed for 60-90 minutes with Meck South <u>SIGN UP HERE</u>

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

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July 18-21: SFTL Onsite Mentors

# **Opportunities to Serve**

#### **Grist Mill Service Day - Charlotte Providence Club**

Saturday, April 27th, at 9am

Join fellow members and Interact students for a work day at the Isaac Alexander Grist Mill site behind Myers Park High School.

Wear work clothes and boots, bring gloves (and your water bottle), and let's dig in the dirt to spruce up this important historic site!

Teenagers are welcome, but be aware the site is not safe for younger children.

The site location is on the back side of Myers Park High School, 2400 Colony Road, Charlotte, NC 28209. But, you will enter at the school's back entrance from Runnymede Lane to the back parking lot & park at the far end by the Green House.

The trail entrance is behind the Green House. Follow the trail downhill and to the left to get to the Grist Mill.

<u>Check out the fascinating history of the site here.</u> <u>Email Fitz Lee with any questions</u>. Kudos to Fitz for carrying on this effort started by Honorary Member Morgan Speir!



#### Feeding Charlotte Feeds!

**Overview:** Feeding Charlotte is looking for Rotarians and other volunteers, to help feed 5,000 community members. Prep for the food portion will happen on May 3rd from 3-5:30pm at the below listed location and will consist of building 5,000 bag lunches for distribution across distribution sites throughout Charlotte. Volunteers can also help distribute the lunches on May 4th.

#### Dates:

Friday, May 3, 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm for food prep

Saturday, May 4, 9:00 am - 11:00 am for distribution

**Volunteer Ages:** All ages (Kids welcome)

Venue: Central United Methodist Church 6030 Albemarle Rd Charlotte, NC 28212

Number of Volunteers Needed: Prep 3rd = 200 Distribution 4th = 15 drivers (Must Have

Vehicle) 10 loaders

Number of Meals: 5,000 meals

#### Registration Here

# **Opportunities to Serve**



We become Rotarians to serve, to inspire, to make a difference in our world. Serve as a Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders (SFTL) Volunteer and you will accomplish all that and so much more. Year after year our Volunteers are inspired, energized, amazed and reminded of why they are Rotarians. I served the past three years and was humbled and tired, but mostly excited about our youth. These young leaders are our future and SFTL is preparing them to make the decisions that will impact humanity.

SFTL will once again be held at Gardner-Webb University, July 18-21, 2024. We need a few more Volunteers to be onsite Mentors. Please complete the <u>2024 SFTL Volunteer Application</u> if you are interested in helping out.

AG Steve Buteau, Past President of the Rotary Club of Alleghany County, is our SFTL Volunteer Coordinator. Please direct your inquiries to Steve at 401.824.9190 or <a href="mailto:specialevolunteau@yahoo.com">s\_buteau@yahoo.com</a> . We appreciate your support of our youth.

Sincerely, PDG Scott, SFTL Chair

PS: Check-out our new <u>SFTL website</u> (in-progress)

### **Upcoming Events**

**April 13:** ANSWER Scholarships Annual Pancake Breakfast

**April 13: Happy Southeast Asian New Year's Celebration, Greensboro** 

**April 14:** MeckMIN Nonviolent Communications Training

**April 16:** NC MedAssist Luncheon

April 16, 8:00 pm: Pickleball With Queen City Impact - All Are Welcome - Price will depend on how many attend divided by \$300

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

April 25, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm: Practice Presentation for our Montessori Model United Nations, Mosaic Church 10624 Metromont Parkway in Charlotte.

May 2: MeckMIN Breakfast

May 3-5: Lovin' Life Music Fest, Charlotte Club

May 9, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Beauty of Expression, Charlotte Speech & Hearing, 1800 Queens Road West. Charlotte

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 18: Memory Gala for the Alzheimer's Association

May 25-29: Rotary International Convention, Singapore

June 18: Go Rotary Night! Baseball Game and Barbecue Picnic

June 28: Club Installation of Officers / End of Year Meeting

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

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

October 19: Walk to End Alzheimers

# ANSWER SCHOLARSHIP ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SATURDAY APRIL 13, 2024

8:00 - 10:00 am \$12

THE KING'S KITCHEN
129 W TRADE STREET
CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

#### Eat Pancakes and Help Send Moms to College - ANSWER Scholarship

The Menu: Pancakes with butter and syrup, bacon, orange juice, and coffee

**The Purpose:** To raise funds to support moms over the age of 25 who are attending college full time. In addition to financial support to attend college, our moms receive mentorship and personal and professional development.

#### How you can help:

- 1. Purchase tickets and attend breakfast. Tell your friends!
- 2. Make a donation via eventbrite or directly on our website at www.answerscholarship.org
- 3. Combination of 1 and 2 this creates the biggest impact!



Click on image to buy tickets or to donate.

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# **An Invitation to a Practice Presentation for Montessori Model United Nations Students**

Lorena Prince



Dear Friends!

I would like to invite you, and your Club members to the practice presentation for our <u>Montessori Model United Nations</u> students on April 25th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at Mosaic Church 10624 Metromont Parkway in Charlotte.

If you are interested in attending you can send me an email or text (<a href="left">lorena@phoenixmontessori.org</a>; 910-200-1196) and let me know you would like to attend. It's a really cool experience for the kids and would be very special if we had community leaders there, too. :)

I hope to see you there! -Lorena Prince

See below for some information on our program:

Phoenix Montessori students in Upper Elementary and Middle School will be traveling to Rome, Italy this year to attend the annual MMUN conference.

MMUN students formulate, present, debate, and revise positions on current issues that are affecting people of the world. By assuming the perspectives of a citizen of their selected countries, MMUN students not only develop an understanding of the needs and rights of others, but also learn to respect the cultures, the political views, and the belief system of others.

Taking on their ambassadorial roles in a Model UN simulation, students research the issue that their UN committees will address. Model UN participants learn how the international community acts on its concerns about topics including peace and security, human rights, the rights of the child, child labor, the environment, food and hunger, economic development and globalization.



Charlotte Speech and Hearing Center invites you to attend

# beauty of expression



Join us for an evening of Dinner, Wine and Cheese Tasting, Live Music, Silent Auction, and a Grand Vacation Raffle!

Thursday, May 9th, 2024 • 6:30-8:30pm 1800 Queens Road West, Charlotte Complimentary Valet Parking

Please RSVP by emailing devmark@CharlotteSpeechHearing.com or calling 704-523-8027, Ext. 232.



From Chase Saunders, Chair of the Charlotte Rotary "Before There Was Nashville" Committee



#### **LOVIN LIFE MUSIC FEST! May 3 - 5**

Charlotte is becoming an East Coast Music Entertainment destination. Mohammad Jenatian, the CEO of the Hospitality and Tourist Alliance provided these links to this concert series with over 40 bands which will take the stage in May as part of the Lovin Life Music Fest put together by the team which has been running the Myrtle Beach Country Music Festival for almost two decades. The weather will be great and this will be a lot of fun so check out these links which will show you the well-known musical groups booked to be a part of this grand inaugural event. Click here for tickets and parking information.



Enjoy Delicious Caribbean Food Jerk/Stew/Curry Chicken (\$20) Fried Fish (\$25)

Plus Rice & Peas, Mac & Cheese, Veggies (Prepared by Chef Henry Catering)

Dessert & a Soft Drink Included

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

Feel the Island Energy from Caribbean Music provided by DJ Calle

#### \*\*50/50 RAFFLE\* DOOR PRIZES!



Read the "Dilworth Quarterly" article regarding the Dilworth Jubilee here.



#### The Rotary International Convention: Unforgettable moments, enduring relationships

The Rotary International Convention is where you'll find people of action from around the world brainstorming solutions to some of the most pressing challenges and celebrating our works of service that create lasting change.

The convention is where you'll renew connections, discover fresh perspectives, and create unforgettable moments and enduring relationships.

At the convention, you'll:

- Participate in engaging breakout session discussions
- · Attend motivating general sessions
- Network with fellow changemakers
- Mingle with old and new friends
- Browse exhibits and visit the House of Friendship
- Explore an exciting host city
- · Enjoy live entertainment and enriching attractions

The convention is our largest event of the year, a chance for members to show the general public who we are and what we do. Join us at this year's Rotary International Convention and show the world who you are and all that you do.





SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024 12:00 PM - 5 PM LATTA PARK, DILWORTH

Triple C Brewing Co Beer Tent Rotary Burgers & Hot Dogs, Sodas Food Trucks, Pet Parade, 2 Bounce Houses





# **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.

Contact us at: PO Box 30473, Charlotte, NC 28230

or

dilworthcharities@gmail.com







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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.

