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The Kiwanis Club of Dearborn

P.O. Box 2411, Dearborn, MI 48123

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NEWSLETTER— January, 2022



Ray Scoboria entertained us with his Ukulele and his clever “Original” song.

Big News on the Park Place price increases. Thanks to Al, Jim, Roger, Scott, Linda, Peggie (probably others – sorry) who met and discussed counter proposals for the increases. The Biggest thanks to **Al Holmes** and **Jim Rugenski** for meeting with Park Place (Greg-new Owner, and Jillian). Very productive; will discuss at Board mtg



Bob and Marge Bryer say hello from Sunny Florida!

Happy dollars are WHAT WE DO!!!

Renea had \$ for the **final peanut sale total: \$30,050.40**

Skip had \$ for **Tom G** because “he bought me a drink!”

Robert M. had \$ for giving up all Vices – cold turkey!!!

Renea had \$ for Kiwanis 107th BIRTHDAY!!!

Sue C. had \$ because she has to work 4 days this week (it was actually a sad dollar but she smiles all the time, hard to tell!)

Roger had \$ for the ReConnect project held on the weekend.

Al had \$ for **Norm Record** – he’s doing better!

Sherrie had \$ for retiring after 33 years. You Go Girl!

Al had \$\$ for his granddaughter dressing like a TREE!

Our CLUB SPEAKERS and ACTIVITIES are arranged through the Club’s Vice President. Keeping our Club meetings informative and member friendly takes time and effort. *ALL members can contribute to our social Calendar.* If you have an idea for a speaker or event coming up, please send info to VP Sherrie. Let’s keep our meetings interesting and fun! Sherrie - **313-618-9750**
Smigginsclown123@gmail.com

We have an update on **SCOTT MURDOCH**; and if you haven’t heard, you may want to sit down for this: Scott had a heart attack on Saturday – the infamous “widow maker”. Went to ER. They did CPR and shocked him; did angioplasty and a stint. He was released on Monday, orders to rest at home all week. He will start Cardio Therapy and work as he is able. Has a follow-up on Friday. He is doing light e-mail: smurdoch@murdochlawfirm.com
Hope you’re feeling much better soon, Scott!

RE- CONNECT.

On January 22, members of our SIX high school Key Clubs gathered at Melvindale High and for nearly 4 hours we had a mini Fall Rally that included three service projects, guest speakers, snacks, drinks and a lot of getting to know what it's like to meet other key clubbers and share stories "like we used to before the Pandemic crushed us."



Thank you to all the students who attended including our awesome Advisors: Roger Frank, Renea Callery, Michelle Meschke, Zeinab Zriek and Peggie Pedenelli. Many thanks to Mayor Bill Bazzi who hooked us up with a ton of food to bring to the Capuchins. Michelle M. in the photo to the right demonstrating the art of making hats.



CONGRATULATIONS, Nadia!!!

Nadia Nasir appointed by Mayor Bill Bazzi to fill a vacancy on the D7 school board in Dearborn Heights. Nasir (a former Key Club member who served on the Key club District Board and now at UofM Circle K) graduated from Annapolis High School in 2021 and has been actively involved in campaigns for elected officials throughout the city and several clubs and organizations in the school. She was voted as the newest School Board member with a 4-2 vote.

Swatting is a phenomenon that has been going on for several years all over the country. It's a ruse: when someone calls the police and claims a major crime is happening at an address where the people at that address are unaware. (Because the police don't have enough to do than assist some jerks with a deceptive prank).

Come and enjoy a fabulous dinner at Byblos Banquet Hall along with a Fashion Show, dance performance, raffles & silent auction. Our UofM Circle K group is amazing; fundraisers who think outside the Box! Tickets are Still Available. See flyer for info.

Dearborn Kiwanis + University of Michigan-Dearborn Circle K Presents

2nd Annual Charity Fashion Gala

Featuring

Diverse Fashion From Around the World

Tickets
Students \$35
Adults \$50

Fusion Dance Performance

February 26, 2022 Doors Open at 5:00PM
BENEFITING THE REHMAT FOUNDATION

To raise awareness on mental health issues that impact individuals, families, and our society at large by promoting educational and preventive support programs.

Online Ticket Sales: **For Inquiry:**



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Hussein
(313) 258-6755 hchaaban@umich.edu

Nadia
(734) 686-8302 nnadia@umich.edu

Dinner Included - Raffle - Silent Auction

Byblos Banquet Center
7258 Chase Rd, Dearborn, MI 48126

PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL

February 2, 2022

After spending last year in quarantine due to the pandemic, Punxsutawney Phil was back at it again celebrating **Groundhog Day** with thousands in Pennsylvania.

The great weather-predicting groundhog could not be stopped, **forecasting six more weeks of winter** after seeing his shadow during the annual spectacle at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney.

Back to normal for the first time since 2020, thousands watched on as Phil popped out of his burrow at 7:25 a.m. to unseasonably warm 40-degree weather.

Per tradition, the crowd was lead by about a dozen members of Phil's "Inner Circle," a group of men in top hats who organize the event each year. It was the largest midweek crowd in the history of the event, members said.

Over the 136-year tradition, it is the 107th time Phil has seen his shadow.



Robert Meschke Photo By: Jim Jacek

Our very own Kiwanis member, **Robert Meschke** was selected at Allen Park's Chamber member of the week and Michelle put in the appropriate \$1 for any member who has their photo/story in the newspaper..... Michelle, of course, is a Kiwanian and also the Key Club Faculty Advisor for Melvindale! Congratulations, Robert. I hope you get some good advertising!!!

A&M Painting and Powerwash

By: Jim Jacek

The Allen Park Chamber member of the week is Robert Meschke from A&M Painting and Powerwash. Their services include interior and exterior painting, powerwashing, gutter cleaning, decks, dry-wall, floors, and tile. You can reach Robert by email at rob@am313906.com, or by phone at 313-806-3127. For more information, visit the website at www.am313906.com.

JANUARY MEETINGS!!!



January 11 - Kiwanis Member **Ramana Roberson** is the Executive Director of Child's Hope and she spoke about all the exciting initiatives relating to Child's Hope. Projects like HALO; Sleep in Heavenly Peace; Child Abuse prevention; basic needs, etc. Their website www.childshope.org has a lot of great information. Their offices are located on the UofM Dearborn Campus. Besides Ramana and Renea, we know a few other Child's Hope cheerleaders: Board members Darlene Schoolmaster and Rita Talamonti. Big news coming from Ramana regarding Renea – stay tuned for that!

Kiwanis Member **Bilal Hammoud** brought a few students from Crestwood and EFHS, Layla & Yursa, to talk about Model U.N. (United Nations), a high school program that has been around since the 1920's. Bilal is the local coordinator for the program and with Conference coming up, he came to talk about the program and the related travel expenses. The club did approve a Donation! Thanks for sharing this great student program, Bilal!



January 25. Theresa Bizoe from FIRSTSTEP! Peaceful Families, Safe Communities. Theresa talked about the help for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault that First Step gives. They serve Wayne County. It was an incredible and powerful story Theresa brought to us. Great speaker. The helpline is: 734-722-6800.

Firststep-mi.org.



Theresa from FirstStep, Director of Philanthropy and Capital Projects with Renea C.

TREASURER Al's Report

January 11

20 Members and guests

50/50 Pat R.

ACE – Al H. and John McF.



January 25

22 Members

50/50 DeShawn

ACE – Prez. Linda & Sue C.



Lowe's Parking lot. On The HILL!

Let's not forget our fellow Kiwanians or their family members as we think about them and send a little prayer

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Kiwanis Spouses: Sandy Hay,
Pat Kiroff, Rosemarie Stanish and
Bonnie Greenwell

KIWANITALK

2-10-2022

- 4:30 Battalion Chief Steve Worden (*top photo*) with the Dearborn Fire Drive. Steve will have tickets for the raffle (see Flyer)
- 6:00 Ramana Roberson, Executive Director of the charity Child's Hope. (*Ramana & Ray S.*)
- 6:45 Alabas Farhat, Candidate for State Rep.
- 7:00 Jeffery D. Pepper, Candidate for State Rep.

Kiwanians **Gary Gardner and Ray Scoboria** were the hosts of the cable shows. This cable show will be available for viewing on Feb. 17.

Gary Gardner interviewing Steve



Gary G. on camera 1.
Ray interviewing Ramana



Newsletter Writer

Peggie Pedenelli



Ray on green screen

CAR RAFFLE FLYER



2022 Dearborn Firefighters Burn Drive Car Raffle

1st Prize- 2022 Chevy Camaro SS or \$40,000.00

2nd Prize- \$2,000.00 Las Vegas Trip

3rd Prize- \$1000.00 Cash

Tickets are \$50.00 each

(Ticket includes admission to party with open bar, food, entertainment, and chance at several other prizes)

All proceeds benefit the Dearborn Firefighter's Burn Drive

Drawing date: May 4, 2022

Doors open at 6:00 PM

@

Ford Community & Performing Arts Center

15801 Michigan Avenue

Dearborn, MI 48126

Must be 21 to enter

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT ALL DEARBORN FIRE STATIONS

ANY QUESTIONS CALL STEVE WORDEN @ 313-478-6761