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Club Meeting

Thursday February 8th, 2018

Welcome – Amir

Guests – Eliana

Prospective Members: Jeff, Lance, Kirsti

Oakland Circle K: Sam

Gianna House: Jennifer Brubaker

My Two Cents – Eliana

Past Events – Amir

- Home FurEver Adoption Event - Eliana
- Bringing Hope to the Table - Kiley
Kroger partnered with Gleaners to encourage food donations after the holidays. We handed out flyers to inform shoppers about the program. Everyone was very happy to donate and we filled eight grocery carts with donations in just a four hour shift!
- Detroit Kiwanis No. 1 Club Birthday Party - Frank Palazzolo from Detroit Kiwanis No. 1
We had 116 come to celebrate Kiwanis' birthday! We had a lot of leaders within Kiwanis there to help celebrate. There were 19 clubs represented, 16 from Michigan, 1 from Indiana, and 1 from Ohio, and 1 international. We gave out awards to people who came and MDYP won an award for bringing the most members! We also had dinner and dancing. In the morning we had a Governor's Breakfast and in the afternoon we volunteered at Books For Kids. It was a full day!
- SOS Emergency Shelter - Emma
South Oakland Shelter hosts families and individuals who need some help. Churches and other organizations host these families for a week (locations rotate). We helped to prep dinner - hot dogs, french fries!
- Baldwin Youth Center Dinner Serving - Katie Carbin
We and participated in a Wednesday after-school program and served dinner. The kids were super fun and entertaining!
- Kids Against Hunger Food Packaging - Katy Tylus
We worked on an assembly line and packed meals. About 1/3 go to local food banks, some is saved for relief, and some go to foreign countries. We go to lead elementary school aged kids in the process, too.

Birthdays – Katy

No birthdays :(

Guest Speaker – Jennifer Brubaker, Gianna House in Eastpointe

- Located at Gratiot and 8 1/2 Mile
- Jennifer is the Executive Director of Gianna House
- Mission: The goal of Gianna House is to provide a safe residence for pregnant teens and their newborn infants while providing spiritual, educational, and parenting support and resources to all pregnant women.
- Vision: To change the lives forever of teen moms and their baby by providing them with the opportunities to live in a safe place and loving environment, that provides educational, life skills, and career planning that positively impacts the youth, their child and their community.
- They are open as a community center and are open to moms of all ages from Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties. They also provide materials such as diapers/car seats/etc. to moms.
- Gianna House hosts about 25 moms a quarter and every quarter they throw a baby shower for the moms.
- They are currently working on installing an indoor fire suppression system. They will have many opportunities to help decorate after!
- When moms are ready to leave our organization, we provide after-care services.
- Different levels of sponsorship are available to help make Gianna House ready to open for their Residence Program.
- Gianna House will need help painting and making their house feel like a home. There are also opportunities to work outside and in their garden.
- They were started in 2009 by sister Diane Mason because there was no place in the state of Michigan to house pregnant women under the age of 18. The building was donated by the Archdiocese of Michigan.
- Gianna House will be able to house seven teenage moms and their babies. In the future they may be able to expand.

Board Update - Amir

- Winter Wars - Kelly
Our club has been divided into the Blue Team and the Gold Team. If you invite someone to a project or get someone to join, those points will go to your team (in addition to volunteering!)
Current Standings:
Gold Team: 48.75 Points
Blue Team: 35.25 Points
New Member Vignesh has been added to the Blue Team!
The losing team will have to bring food to a potluck at B. Nektar on April 26th at 7 PM.
If you attend any of the projects on March 24th or 25th, your counts will count double!
- Service Survey
There is a QR code on the agenda, you should take it! You can even win a gift card if you take it!
- Future Service Signups
Please make sure to complete the sign-up form that is on our website so that we

can plan for an accurate number of people and let us know if you can no longer make it. We will also be using Sign-Up Genius in the future.

- Club Feedback

We want your feedback! There is now a feedback form on the website under the Contact Us tab. You can include your name or do so anonymously. If you include your name, we can reach out to you to further understand your feedback.

- Quarter Zips

The final day to order was January 31st but it is extended to today!

District Update - Kelly

- Spring Divisional

We are hosting Spring Divisional this year! Divisions 1, 3, 6, and 7 will be attending. It is a great chance to get awards that we have done in the last year.

There are a lot of tasks involved in hosting. If you are interested and available to help, please sign up!

It will be on Saturday, April 7th from 1:00-4:30 PM. We will be doing service projects including a roadside project and some onsite projects, as well (Troy Community Center). We need some ideas for these projects!

We will have appetizers available at 2 and the program will begin at 3.

The cost to attend is \$25.

It should be a lot of fun and we get to make it that way!

- Division Council Meeting

Kelly hosts these meetings! We are in Division 7 and our next meeting is on Monday, February 12th at 6:30 PM at Rust Bucket in Bloomfield Hills.

- OU Backpack Drive

Many of you donated today! These bags will go to people who are in need of resources. This is a part of Circle K District Convention which is being hosted by Oakland University Circle K.

- Division Wide Service Project

We will be volunteering with all of Division 7! We will be helping Oakland Family Services with building upkeep. This will be Saturday, March 3rd from 10 AM - 2 PM.

- International Convention

This will be in Las Vegas from June 28th-30th.

Early Bird Registration: \$150; Increases April 6 to \$225. You still need to pay for your hotel and flight.

There is a SLP Alumni Night (\$6) and a Gala with Three Dog Night (\$125).

Upcoming Projects

- Michigan Beer Growler Company Club Fundraiser – 2/9

Tomorrow night in Beverly Hills at 13 Mile and Southfield.

- Polar Plunge – 2/10

There are many different activities. Although our club has reached our limit, you can still sign up independently

- Key Club Awards 2/10

We will be going to District HQ in Mason to help determine winners for Key Club Awards. Kelly will drive you! There is still room in the carpool.

- Division Council Meeting - 2/12

- Candy Land Themed Daddy/Daughter Dance – 2/16
It is for Starfish Family Services and will be activities like crafts and serving food.
- Ice Skating Social – 2/17
We will be ice skating at The Rink at Campus Martius and will be a lot of fun!
- “Plarning” mats for the homeless - 2/24
Plarning = plastic yarn; with the Livonia Kiwanis Club.
- Fight for Air Climb – 2/25
You will get a t-shirt! People will be climbing to the top of the Ally Building in Detroit.

Closing – Amir