

Metro Detroit Young Professionals April Club Meeting Thursday, April 13th, 2017

Members present (12): Joe Blakeley, Katie Carbin, James Edwards, Kiley Kastl, Andre Laubach, Jen Mitchell, Nicole Saghy, Katy Tylus, Matt Vanderhoef, David Wechsler, David Willoughby, Stacey Tyburski

Guests (5): Robert Buchanan, Mary Mason, Emma Densmore, Ashley Hipsher, Shell Jones

Welcome

Amir Shahidi welcomed guests

My 2 Cents

My 2 cents was conducted and raised \$24 Highlights:

Andre mentioned Utica Shelby 5k Pennant Race on May 7th, 2017 Shell mentioned Autism Raffle ticket Matt Vanderhoef has a Birmingham Downs Event coming up

Past Events

David Willoughby recapped Playplace for Autistic Children Katy recapped Division Council Meeting Ashley recapped Wine Down Wednesday Jen recapped Arts and Scraps Nicole recapped Birmingham Charter Night Kelly recapped Circle K Installations

• 19 new members, over 1600 hours of service James recapped Rochester Kiwanis Soup Project

March Birthdays

It was Andre and Mary's birthday months so they answered Birthday questions

Shell Jones - Play Place for Autistic Children

Play-Place for Autistic Children is an amazing new center for children and young adults affected by autism and other special needs challenges. Shell's own son was diagnosed w/ autism at 2.5 yrs old and throughout his childhood they have found it difficult to take him places. 80% divorce rate for families with autistic children.

Facts about center:

- 90% donated
- 46 seat theatre
- All LED lighting because fluorescent lights negatively affect people on the spectrum
- Opening up a bistro
- Trying to work towards 50% of staff being people w/ special needs

Club beats Board in number of service hours and wins Winter Wars!

Board members dressed up in costume

501c4 Incorporation

- Motion for a vote, David Wechsler. Second from Stacey Tyburski. Motion passes with majority.

Nominations

Will have nominations at April meeting and more nominations at May meeting and vote then

- President Joe motions to nominate Amir, Andre seconds (accept)
- Vice President Jen motions to nominate Katy, Joe seconds (accept)
- Secretary/Treasurer David Wechsler motions to nominate Matt, David Willoughby seconds (defer)
- Social Director Ashley motions to nominate David Weschler, Katy seconds (accept)
- Service Director
 - Stacey motions to nominate James, Andre seconds (defer)
 - Amir motions to nominate Kiley, Katy seconds (accept)
- Development Director Amir motions to nominate David Willoughby, Matt Vanderhoef seconds (accept)
- Katy motions to close the floor for nominations, Joe seconds

District Update

- Spring Divisional
 - o Downtown Detroit
 - Event that got MDYP Kiwanis in the paper
- Key Club Positions Available
- District Convention September 7th-10th in Crystal Mountain
- Down River West Kiwanis has a golf outing coming up if anyone is interested

Upcoming Events

Fowling April 15th

Dreammakers Ball - Rainbow Connection April 22nd 5-10pm

Vista Maria Celebration of Women Fundraiser (May 27th Dearborn)

Utica Shelby Roadside Cleanup (May 29th, 11am)

GOTR (May 21st, Katy to organize spirit station)

Peanut Sales (June 10th)

May Meeting
David Wechsler Guest Speaker
Elections