

The Kiwanis Club of Dearborn

P.O. Box 2411, Dearborn, MI 48123

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Chartered ~ May 1928

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NEWSLETTER— JUNE 15, 2024



MAY 27, 2024: Dearborn's 98th Annual MEMORIAL DAY PARADE (Michigan's oldest Memorial Day Parade) SO MUCH FUN. Fresh Kiwanis peanuts were distributed to the crowds by Kiwanians and Key Club members. The Pedenelli 1964-1/2 RED MUSTANG enjoyed showing off. Fantastic day, wet weather held off! Thank you Don & Lynn K., Bob & Marge B, Richard N., Renea C. & Wayne, Ray S., Brad S., Al H., Peggie & Dennis P., Rebecca P. and over 20 Key clubbers.



A GLIMPSE of WHAT'S HAPPENING in June & July. Thank you VP Leon for working diligently on the Speaker's Calendar and Kristen for "creating" and distributing our busy monthly calendars and Al H. for creating the 2024 Kiwanis summer schedule.



JUNE

- 2nd 3:00 – Motor City Brass Band – Michael Guido Theatre
- 4th Board Meeting
- 11th Park Place –Children’s Hospital of MI, Child Life Therapists
- 16th FATHER’S DAY
- 18th **OFF-SITE**– Buddy’s PIZZA (side room) 5:15–7:30
- 25th **OFF-SITE-ANTONIO’S**-See info and RSVP on last page.

JULY

- 2nd NO MEETING *** Happy 4th of JULY *** NO MEETING
- 9th Board Meeting – Meet at Park Place
- 20th **SATURDAY – Road trip. We are going to have front row seats to watch the 100th Port Huron to Mackinaw Boat Race. No meeting on July 16 – the road trip replaces that date.**
- 23rd **OFF-SITE – T/B/D (Sign up for your home or park)**
- 30th **PARK PLACE – Turtle Derby PREP DAY**

AUGUST

- 3-4 **HOMECOMING – 3 days. Sign up sheet coming soon**
- 6th **PARK PLACE – Board mtg.**
- 13th **OFF-SITE Annual KIWANIS Picnic – Ford Field, sm shelter**
- 20th **OFF-SITE – T/B/D (Sign up for your home or park)**
- 27th **PARK PLACE – Peanut Sale PREP DAY**



May 21, 2024 (Speaker)

Dearborn Heights Mayor Bill Bazzi



Mayor Bazzi talked about the Lead water Lines, the water and floods, the Election, the Ecorse Creek, a Conference in Montreal where he received an Award as well as being elected to run the annual Mayor’s conference next year. Super Guy!



THE RAFFLE TICKETS HAVE ARRIVED.

All Michigan Kiwanians are asked to **fundraise through the sale of raffle tickets which supports our Michigan District and exclusively supporting hospitalized children in the form of Child Life Services at the three major Michigan children’s hospitals.** We had two Child-Life therapists from Detroit Children’s Hospital as speakers on Tuesday. The Child-Life programs have developed into a major part of the children’s therapy, recovery and even for the young lives who are unable to recover. *SO AS KIWANIANs, WE SELL RAFFLE TICKETS ONCE A YEAR.* The tickets will be distributed to the clubs by their Division Lt. Governors. I am coming to your club. ☺ We ask that if you cannot sell the tickets, please return unsold tickets to your treasurer who will make sure the Lt. Governor gets them to bring to our State Convention in August. **THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CAN HELP OUT.** See you all at your meetings in the next two weeks. Your Lt.G.

KIWANIS receive requests for Donations *all year long*. Most are approved at our monthly Board meetings. #KidsNeedKiwanis

APRIL Donations

- \$862.50 Law Enforcement Academy (\$287.50 - L.Bergeron donation)
- \$650 Dearborn Kids Baseball (sponsor 1 girls and 1 boys team)
- \$1,000 Dearborn Symphony, 4th Grade Children's Concert

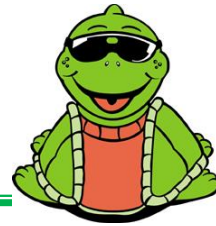
MAY Donations

- \$100 Caregivers Network
- \$100 Senior Bingo Prize, Summerfest



TURTLE TIME – COMING SOON.

We 6 weeks before the actual Turtle Drop, but now is the time to ask our wonderful Dearborn or Dearborn Heights businesses for a gift card or sponsorship. Jim Rugenski has been updating our TURTLE info and the flyers are attached. **Keep scrolling to see them.**



ALLEN PARK Kiwanis Club hosted their annual Fun Day at their Kiwanis Park in AP. Always a great event and the weather was perfect. Thank you Kristen B. for volunteering all day (in group pic). Unusual not to see the Babbages but they and Renea were at a mandatory Past Governors mtg in Mason. Lt.G Div. 2 (Peggie) and Lt.G Div. 5 (Denise) enjoyed the day along with 6 Key Club volunteers!



DON'T FORGET TO read your KIWANIS BUILDER on Line!!!

It is truly full of great information.... If you're not getting the Kiwanis in a Minute, a quicker version of the Builder, let Stacey know.....

Stacey Nill, District Administrative Secretary. Email: Districtoffice@mikiwanis.org Phone: (517) 676-3837

On the 3rd Tuesday of the Month we join residents of **Hubbard Manor West** along with several Sisson Manor residents so Kiwanis can treat them to an hour of **BINGO**, Laughs and Dessert!
Community Service EXCELLENCE!



Mmm, look what was served for MAY dessert, cupcakes. There's always decaf coffee and tea served with the treats.
39 residents enjoyed the fun tonight, six Kiwanis volunteers.



Annie's
100 Years
Old. Wow
Fantastic!



WE
CELEBRATED
Anne's 100TH
BIRTHDAY



Think about enjoying an **INTERCLUB** with one of our DIVISION 2 Clubs. Great People!

See which schedule works best for you to plan a Club INTERCLUB.

Garden City: Thursday NOON. Straight Farmhouse on Merriman in Garden City.
President: Kim Dold

Colonial Plymouth: Thursday NOON.
Plymouth Historical Museum, Main St.
President Rich Schubatis

Livonia Early Risers: 2nd & 4th TU 6:00 p.m
Livonia Chamber of Commerce
President Brian W. Weiss (Same day as ours)

MAY 23 INTERCLUB:

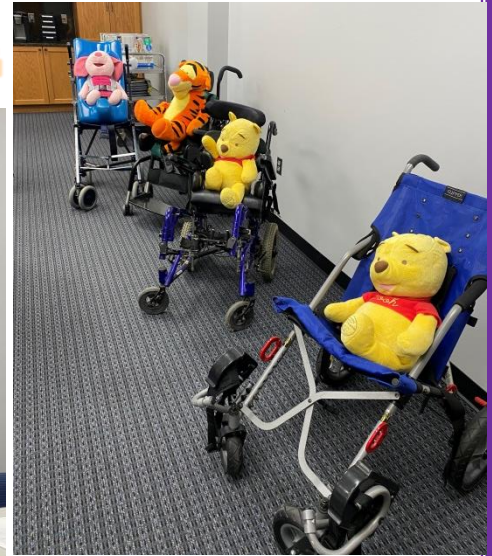
Renea C. and Peggie P.

(Garden City Club - 76 Year Anniversary Dinner)

Anybody available to attend an interclub with Peggie next Thursday at 11:30 with the Garden City Club. Speaker is the American Heart Association. I'll drive if interested. (Renea may be able to get off work, but it's her busy day so I'm looking for an Interclub partner. Lunch is \$10 and it's always very good.

During a recent Trustee meeting, Patty O, Penrickton's Director, talked about the difficulties the Center and parents have with the different kinds of mobility strollers. The expense is unbelievable. Patty is a Ms. Fix-It on straps and wheels, arm rests and head rests and clips and everything else, anything to save the parents and the Center money. Insurance covers either a stroller or a wheel chair, not both. Penrickton does not charge parents a dime, so fundraising is year-round since they do not take any government funds. An incredible blessing for blind children and their families.

Penrickton



KIWANITALK IS LIVE whenever and wherever we choose to enjoy it! It's just a Click away on U-tube and many cable stations in over 30 cities. It's up to all Kiwanians to invite guests to appear on the show. We want to keep Kivanitalk interesting and topical.

KiwaniTalk is produced by members of The Kiwanis Club of Dearborn MI. vimeo.com



KIWANITALK.

HELP US KEEP
INTERESTING GUESTS!

SPREAD THE WORD!

SHARE OUR SHOW, we

The **2024 Kiwanis Law Enforcement Career Academy** will be held June 23-28 at the Michigan State Police Post in Lansing.

Three cadets were selected from the Dearborn Explorers; the cost is \$595 per cadet. Three Kiwanis Clubs sponsored the students; Steven (17) from Trenton H.S., Hassan (15) from Fordson and Raven (16) from Divine Child. The students are excited to get to the Academy. Thank you to Dearborn Kiwanis, Woodhaven Kiwanis, Livonia Kiwanis and Leon and Danielle Bergeron for their generous donations to our youth. Graduation is on the 28th and the Clubs have been invited to send members to watch the ceremony. The students will be invited to our meetings to talk about this awesome experience.

Peanut time is not until September, but planning is underway. We have schedules printed and members are asked to hunt for storefronts to hawk their peanuts, keeping most of us out of the streets. The Key Clubs will also play a big role in this fundraiser. August 27 will be our Peanut Sale PREP Day so put that on your calendar to show up.



**2024 Key Club
International Conference**

follows Kiwanis Convention.
July 7-14 in Atlanta, Georgia.
Governor Renea will be attending both conventions, Lt.G Peggie will be attending Atlanta, Georgia's Conference only.

**2024 Kiwanis International
Convention** around the corner –
July 3-6 Denver, Colorado.

**2024 Kiwanis
of Michigan
GREAT LAKES
CONFERENCE**

August 22-25, 2024

[Gateway Hotel Mundy Twp MI \[map link\]](#)

NEWSLETTER WRITER

Peggie Pedenelli



Aloha!

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, EVERYBODY!

KIWANIS SUMMER MEETING Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Antonio's 26356 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights

\$32 includes tax and tip

Dinner will be served at 6:00

Reservation due by June 18

Email: margebryer65@gmail.com

Text: 313.300.5375

You will be responsible for payment if you cancel after June 18

Questions? Debbie Rugenski or Marge Bryer

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Guests</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>
1. Bob Bryer	+1	14. Sherrie Chrysler	
2. Anna		15.	
3. Peggic + Dennis		16.	
4. Jim + Debbie Rugenski		17.	
5. JOHN McFADDEN + CAROL		18.	
6. AL + Nancy HOLMES		19.	
7. Kristen Boguslaski		20.	
8. Sue Cleeman		21.	
9. Leon Leon Bergum +1		22.	
10. DON + LYNN KILLION		23.	
11. Herbert Abdelbaki		24.	
12. LINDA MICHALEK		25.	
13. SCOTT McROACH		26.	

Get a foursome together and support
Kiwanis Charity Golf .. and have some fun, too!


** 41st Annual **

**KIWANIS CLUB OF
COLONIAL PLYMOUTH**

**CHARITY
Golf
Classic**

THURSDAY • AUGUST 1st • 2024

- 8:00 AM • Continental Breakfast
- Check-in Begins
- 9:00 AM • Shotgun Start



**THE GOLDEN FOX
AT FOX HILLS GOLF & BANQUET CENTER**
8768 N Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI 48170

For more information go to:
PlymouthKiwanis.com

Dr. Jim's "TURTLE BLAST" is attached below. Everything you need to know about the Turtle Derby held at Homecoming on August 4. It is time to solicit gift cards and/or gift basket items from our wonderful Dearborn-Dearborn Heights businesses. Any amount on the gift cards. We can solicit in Dearborn and Dearborn Heights, even Melvindale as all SEVEN of our sponsored Key Clubs are in those communities.

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Weekly meeting at Park Place – Tuesday, 6:15 PM



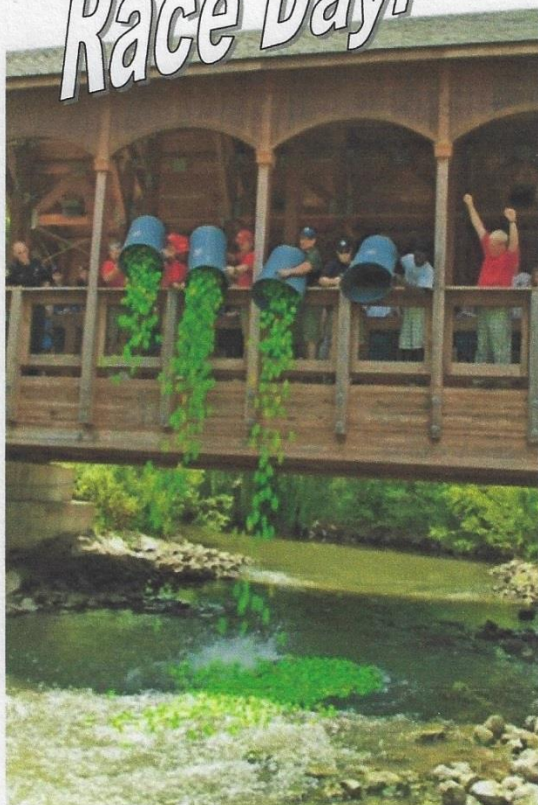
Kiwanis Turtle Derby

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Turtle Blast!

Special Edition

Race Day!



Two thousand "adopted" Turtles, each with a unique number, being tossed off the main bridge into the Rouge River, where they "race" to the finish line winning prizes for the people who adopt them, and recognition for the generous businesses who sponsor them.

Homecoming is back at Ford Field on August fourth!

We are actively seeking Sponsors and prize donations for the event. All donations go to the Dearborn Kiwanis Foundation who sponsors youth right here in our communities.

We sponsor 7 Key Clubs at the high school and college level who do community service projects and many other groups. By sponsoring the event or donating a prize, your business will receive publicity in many forms of media about this event. The larger the donation, the more prominent the position, including the Turtle booth at Homecoming and Finish line signage!

If you have any questions call Jim Rugenski on his cell number: 313-949-5747

Email: jim.rugenski@gmail.com

We will also work with your marketing department as well.

How does the Race Work?

Each Turtle is assigned a unique number. When a turtle is adopted, the number is assigned to that person. You can adopt a single turtle for \$5, a "snap pack" of 5 turtles for \$20, (gives you a free one) or a "Shell set of turtles", 13 for \$50. (Gives you 3 free) Race Day is 4:30 Sunday, August 6 at Ford Field during the Dearborn Homecoming. The turtles are tossed from the Main Bridge, **AND THE RACE IS ON!**

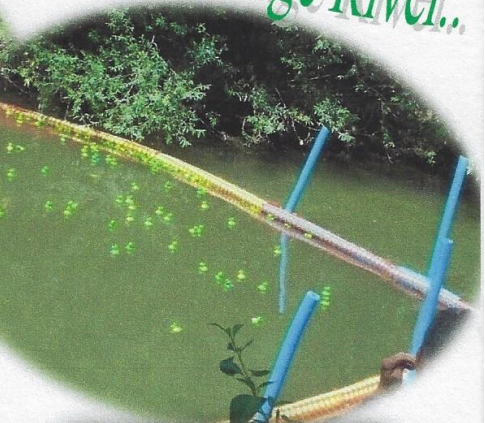
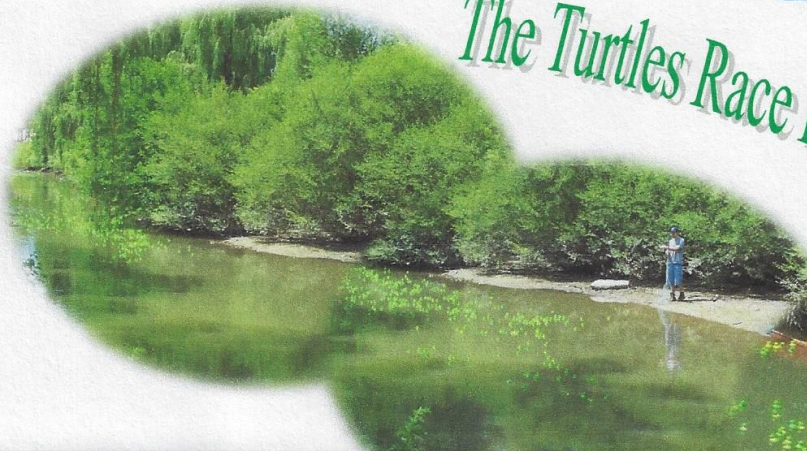
The First Turtle across the finish line wins...



ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS!
Or Dozens Of Other Fine Prizes

DOZENS OF CHANCES TO WIN A PRIZE!

The Turtles Race Down the Rouge River..



Dr. Jim's flyer for SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES is below. Getting a sponsor will really push our fundraising into a whole other Level!

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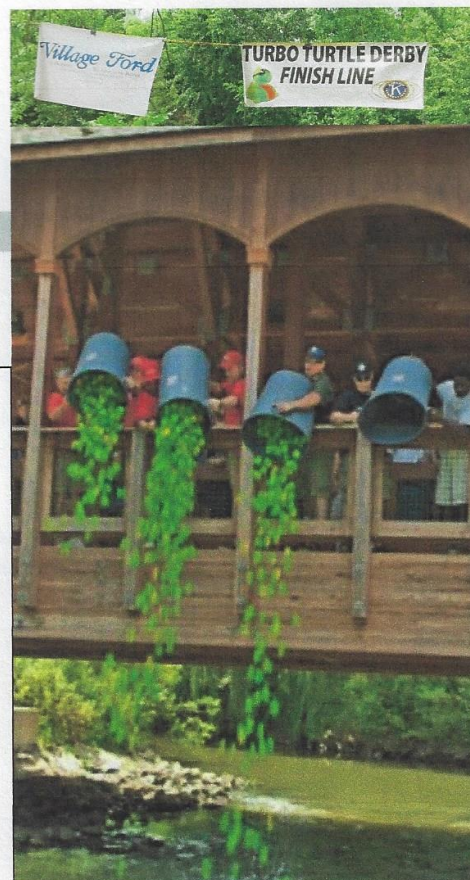
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES HOMECOMING TURTLE DERBY 2024

DEARBORN'S YEARLY HOMECOMING IS BACK AT FORD FIELD THIS AUGUST!!

THE DRAW WILL BE HUGE! IT BRINGS THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER, AND GIVES YOU A CHANCE TO SHOWCASE YOUR BUSINESS!

DEARBORN KIWANIS HOSTS A SPECTACULAR CHARITABLE FUNDRAISER THERE, **THE TURTLE DERBY!** PEOPLE ADOPT A NUMBER THAT IS PLACED ON A RUBBER TURTLE. TWO THOUSAND RUBBER TURTLES GO OFF THE ROUGE RIVER BRIDGE INTO THE WATER, AND THE FIRST TURTLE ACROSS WINS THE ADOPTEE ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS!

MANY DEARBORN BUSINESSES DONATE A PRIZE, AND RECEIVE PUBLICITY IN ALL THE LITERATURE OF THE RACE.



**THE PURPOSE IS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHILDRENS PROJECTS.
ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE AND HELP TO SUPPORT PROJECTS RIGHT
HERE IN OUR COMMUNITIES**

Any Prize you may want to donate is welcome! The bigger the prize, the higher in size and listings your business will be in the literature. By donating you bring recognition and new people to your business. It is a win-win all around. Nearly every prize is donated by Dearborn businesses. People who live in Dearborn support businesses who support their causes. If you would like more information about our projects or our Kiwanis Club, just call me. I would be happy to talk to you. –Dr. Jim Rugenski

ALL CONTRIBUTORS WILL RECEIVE MENTION IN KIWANIS NEWSLETTERS, PUBLICATIONS, AND TURTLE ADOPTON PAPERS. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO GET POSITIVE PUBLICITY FOR YOUR BUSINESS. YOU CAN ALSO JOIN US AS OUR GUEST AT ONE OF OUR MEETINGS. WE ARE WILLING TO WORK WITH YOUR MARKETING PROFESSIONALS AS WELL TO HELP SHOWCASE YOUR BUSINESS IN A POSITIVE LIGHT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU!

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changing the world one child and one community at a time.