

Five Star Social Connection

January 2017

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Speaker Spotlight

"Tax Tips for 2016 & Planning Strategies for 2017"

Speaker: Terry Mike-Kozlowski

"Downsizing"

Speaker: David Walker

Thursday, January 12

7:30 to 8:30 pm

River Crest

900 W. Avon Road, Rochester Hills

FREE & Open to the Public • see page 2 for more information



January Dance Schedule

Quick Look

January 5	Casual Dance
January 12	Speaker Dance
January 19	Birthday Dance
January 26	Winter Dance

Today's Hits & Yesterday's Favorites played by "Rob" the DJ

8:30 pm - 11:30 pm • Cash Bar

see page 3 for more information or call Brenda at 248-628-9667

President's Message

by Bill Gotts

Members and guests,

Hi, my name is Bill Gotts, newly elected President at Five Star Connection. As you may or may not know, I love to dance! Over the years, I have made it a point to be here on a regular basis supporting our organization and the area. Many dance organizations in the past have failed. I don't want this one to be next!

Each week we gather together not only to dance, but to see our friends, and make new acquaintances. We learn new dances and offer support to those with aches and pains, as well as share in the celebrations and successes of our members.

I remember a time when we never let things stand in our way, or keep us from doing what we like to do. We need to revisit that emotion that some of us have put aside, and make Five Star dances part of their weekly ritual.

The board has discussed our financial situation at length and, after weighing all the pros and cons, has decided to offer membership to all married couples. We do encourage you to continue inviting your single friends to our dances no matter what their situation.

I want you to know that I am, as well as the board, available for your suggestions, and will do our best to make those things happen. My desire is to make our dances as much fun as possible. A big THANK YOU goes out to those of you who have braved the Michigan weather to join us for a night of dancing. You are the reason I will fight to keep this going!

This is your organization and hopefully it is important to you. Let's work together so we can keep on dancing!

January Event Speakers

by Tess Craven, Program & Education Director

Thursday, January 12

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Speaker: Terry Mike-Kozlowski

Topic: "Tax Tips for 2016 and Planning Strategies for 2017"

Need an update on the tax laws and the many new changes this year? Interested in finding useful information that can save you money on your taxes? Are you concerned how the new administration in Washington will affect our taxes in 2017? Are you worried about your Identity being stolen by your taxes? Plan to attend this presentation to hear this valuable information.

Terry Mike-Kozlowski owner of T A Mike Financial Services in Rochester Hills, is also our Five Star Connection Treasurer and Financial Advisor. She currently practices as a Tax Preparer, Consultant and Financial Advisor for individuals and small businesses.

Speaker: David Walker Topic: "Downsizing"

Interested in ways to downsize your present residence? Need tips on saving time and money when moving into a smaller and more efficient home? David will share this information with you through his experience and knowledge.

David Walker is a Walsh College graduate with a Business Information Technology degree and former owner of a successful small business. He specializes in the sale of new and existing homes in Rochester, Rochester Hills, Oakland Township, and the surrounding areas. David is presently an agent with Brookview Realty in downtown Rochester.

For more information, call Tess at (248) 689-1390.



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Membership News

by David Kozlowski,
Membership Director

Members and guests,

On December 10th the Rochester Community House held their annual Breakfast with Santa and afternoon Luncheon. I was very proud of our eight Five Star members that rose to the occasion and assisted me in serving 170 adults and kids for breakfast, and approximately 78 hungry mouths for lunch. Thank you!

December 15th was our Annual Membership meeting, whereas Susie O'Connell nominated herself as our new Marketing Director. Royal Brunet accepted the Dance Director role, relieving Brenda Gagnon of that position. No one was nominated or stepped forward to take the President Elect position. All other board members will remain on their current assignments. Jerry Maynard will be relieved as Past President, whereas I will fill the void on the Executive Board.

Wishing you a happy New Year with the hope that you will have many blessings in 2017



January Celebrations

- 1 Mary Jane Harrison
- 14 Robert Eddy
- 21 Suzanne Mueller
- 22 James Daniel
- 25 Kris Bucci
- 29 Judy Miles

"Happy Birthday" to this month's celebrants!

Our mission is to provide support and enrichment necessary to promote a healthy, social and educational environment for single parents, families and single adults. We are structured to create an atmosphere where these needs can be addressed and individuals flourish. As a diverse organization, we strive to enrich the community where we live, work and play. Five Star Connection, Inc. is a non-profit Corporation that is exempted from Federal Income Tax under Section 501c4 of The Internal Revenue Code.

Jan. 4, Wednesday: Five Star Board Meeting. Eat at 7 pm and meeting begins at 7:30 until 9:30 pm. Location: Kozlowski residence. Call David at 248-760-6944.

Jan. 5, Thursday: Casual Dress Dance. Dance Lesson at 8 pm. Dancing at 8:30 pm.

Jan. 8, Sunday: Sailing Singles, Kay Bruns Open House, 9935 Lyon Drive, Brighton, MI 48114. Please bring a dish to share and a white elephant gift. Reservations only – contact Kay by email kayeburns@att.net or 248-752-6012.

Jan. 10, Tuesday: Somerset Mix-N-Mingle Dance. Doors open at 7 pm at the River Crest Banquet Hall, Mix-N-Mingle and Dance from 7:30 – 11pm. Members \$7, non-members \$10. All are welcome. For more information call Jim at 248-229-9390.

Jan. 12, Thursday: Speaker Dance 7:30 – 8:30 pm. Our speakers tonight are Terry Mike-Kozlowski, owner of T A Mike Financial Services in Rochester, who will be speaking on “Tax Tips for 2016 and Planning Strategies for 2017,” and David Walker, experienced real estate agent with Brookview Realty in Downtown Rochester, who will be presenting the topic “Downsizing.” See pg 2 for details. **Dance following the speaker.**

Jan. 13, Friday: Sailing Singles Tour of Main Detroit Public Library, Woodward across from the DIA. One hour and a half tour about highlights of this Detroit gem. For more information call Glenna Buehler at 586-296-3149.

Jan. 19, Thursday: Birthday Dance. Dance lesson at 8 pm. Dancing at 8:30 pm. Complimentary cake provided.

Jan. 22, Sunday: Five Star Play and Dinner, Avon Players, located at 1185 Washington Rd. Rochester Hills 48306, to see “Escanaba in Da Moonlight” at the 2 pm Matinee. Dinner following at Paul’s on Main. For more information contact Dan Platz at 248-882-7700.

Jan. 26, Thursday: Winter Dance. Lesson 8 pm. Dancing 8:30 pm.



WEATHER ADVISORY

If in doubt: Contact any board member or River Crest Banquet Hall regarding dance cancellations due to road conditions. All members will be contacted either by phone or e-mail if cancellation is imminent. Your safety is our main concern!



December Speaker Jim Blundo and Members

More photos are on our website!



Sing-a-long with Santa!



Christmas Dance...



December Birthdays

Future Events

- Feb. 5 Super Bowl Party at Club Venetian
- Feb. 9 Tom Bruno "Sacred Seven Ingredients That Make a Relationship Work"
- Feb. 17 Five Star Social Connection – Card & Games Night
- Jun. 20-22 Somerset Golf Trip to Houghton Lake
- Aug. 20-22 Somerset Golf Trip to Tullymore & St. Ives Golf Resort
- Sep. 12-14 Somerset Golf Trip to Tawas Beach Bay Resort

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