

Five Star Singles Connection

April 2016

"Serving our Local Communities"

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Speaker Spotlight **"Social Security Income Planning"** **(Power Point Presentation)**

Speaker: Darin Louw
Certified Social Security Claiming Strategist,
Licensed Insurance Agent,
Retirement Financial Planner

Thursday, April 14th

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

March Speaker Travis Walter and Members



April Dance Schedule **Quick Look**

April 7 Casual Dress Dance

April 14 Speaker Dance

April 21 Birthday Dance

April 28 Spring Fling Dance

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

8:30 pm-midnight • Cash Bar

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

President's Message

by David Kozlowski



Members and guests,

As the saying goes, "April showers bring May flowers!" What a perfect time to plan some indoor entertainment for you and your guests. Besides our Thursday night dances, join us at Avon Players on Sunday, April 10, at 2 pm for a great comedy we all can relate to, Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple." Then meet for dinner at Paul's on Main Street in Rochester following the play. Contact Dan Platz 248-882-7700 for information.

April 14 is our Speaker Dance, featuring Darin Louw, Social Security Claiming Strategist, Licensed Insurance Agent, and Financial Planner. Darin is only one of two certified specialists in his field in the whole state of Michigan. He will be here to tell us our options for how we can maximize our Social Security Lifetime Benefits before the laws change on April 30, 2016. His expertise can help us attain a safe, sustainable income throughout retirement with minimal risk. Don't miss a minute of this informative presentation, starting at 7:30pm.

"Why I like Five Star" by Donna O., Five Star Connection Board Member:

After a long day (week) at work, I look forward to my time at Five Star. Not only do I get the opportunity to dance (a great form of exercise) to upbeat music, but there is also lots of laughter, friendship and fun. I remember being nervous the first few times that I came to the dances, but everyone was friendly and willing to help me learn the dance steps and before I knew it, I was looking forward to Thursday night, learning people's names and making new friends. The other thing that continues to impress me are all the Charities that Five Star supports with donations of money as well as time. Thursday nights at Five Star is definitely one of the highlights of my week.

March Event Speaker

by Tess Craven, Program & Education Director

Thursday, April 14

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Speaker: Darin Louw, CSSCS

Topic: "Social Security Income Planning" (Power Point Presentation)

Would you like to know the strategies that can maximize your "Social Security Lifetime Benefits" – before the laws change on April 30th affecting your options? Do you know why it is important to coordinate your Social Security with your overall income plan? Are you aware of how Social Security elections affect taxation in retirement? Do you know the risks you face in retirement? You will find out the answer to these questions and more in tonight's informative presentation. As an expert in his field, our speaker will give us information we need to optimize our lifetime Social Security benefits and overall retirement picture.

Darin Louw is a Certified Social Security Claiming Strategist, who is one of only two in the State of Michigan. He is also a Licensed Insurance Agent and Retirement Financial Planner with Reno Frazzitta at Smart Money Financial Advisors. He specializes in educating his clients and the community in optimizing benefits and designing retirement plans to meet one's objectives. His expertise can help us attain a safe, sustainable income throughout retirement with minimal risk. Come join us! For more information, call Tess at (248) 689-1390.



Membership News

by David Kozlowski,
Membership Director

Members and guests,

Continue to encourage your single, widowed and divorced friends to join us on any given Thursday for a fun filled night of dancing and socializing at the River Crest. Dancing starts at 8:30 pm. Like us on Facebook, and check out our web page for the latest updates & pictures at Fivestarconnection.org.

Welcome our newest members Bonnie Nielsen and Kathleen Kalinowski, who joined us last month. Thank you to all those "members-at-large" people who go out of their way to make our guests and new members feel welcome each visit.

"Friendship is one mind in two bodies." *Mencius*

THINK SPRING!

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.



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April Celebrations

- 1 Carl Dean
- 3 Jerry Reddaway
- 8 Linda Yow
- 15 Stella Piccolo
- 16 Marjorie King
- 20 Jim Blundo
- 20 William Hunter
- 22 Patty Piepmeier
- 22 Sandy White
- 25 Pattie Suhr
- 27 Robert Harding Sr.



"Happy Birthday" to this month's celebrants!

April 3, Sunday: Five Star Play & Dinner. Play at the Avon Players at 2 pm to see "The Odd Couple" and dinner at Paul's following the play. Call Dan for more information 248-882-7700.

April 6, Wednesday: Five Star Connection 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.

April 7, Thursday: Casual Dress Dance. Dance Lesson at 8 pm. Dancing at 8:30 pm.

April 11, Monday: Sailing Singles Private Historic Masonic Temple Tour, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit, 48201 at 2 pm. \$15 per person. For more information contact Glenna 586-296-3149 or email glenna at 1949@wowway.com.

April 12, Tuesday: Somerset Golf Kick-off Mix-N-Mingle. Doors open at 7 pm at the River Crest Banquet Hall. Mix-N-Mingle and Dance from 7:30 pm to 11 pm. Members \$6 Non-Members \$10. All are welcome. Need more information? Call Jim 248-229-9390.

April 14, Thursday: Speaker Dance 7:30 – 8:30 pm. Our speaker tonight is Darin Louw, Certified Social Security Claiming Strategist (one of two in Michigan), Licensed Insurance Agent, and Retirement Financial Planner. He will be presenting a Power Point presentation on the topic "Social Security Income Planning." See page 2 for details. Dance following the speaker.

April 17, Sunday: Somerset Sunday Brunch at Kruse and Muer at 11:45 am. Location at 911 Wilshire, North of Big Beaver, 248-362-2700. RSVP by April 15 to Joyce at 586-323-6007.

April 19, Tuesday: Somerset Meet-N-Greet at Filippa's Wine Barrel, 45125 Mound, Utica (Northeast Corner) Meet new friends and club members for a fun night. Happy Hour from 3-6 pm. Call Tricia at 586-419-7173 or Jan 586-420-1009.

April 20, Wednesday, Sailing Singles – Glass Blowing Academy in Dearborn 6-9pm. Try your hand at glass blowing – members only event. Dinner at 4 pm. For more information contact Glenna 586-296-3149.

April 21, Thursday: Birthday Dance. Dance Lesson at 8 pm. Dancing at 8:30 pm. Complimentary cake provided.

April 28, Thursday: Spring Dance. Dance Lesson 8 pm. Dancing 8:30 pm.

Notice: The Board of Directors will not tolerate any misconduct at our dances and individuals will not be allowed to return. No admittance will be made after 11:15 pm.

More photos are on our website!



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Five Star Members and Guests...



St. Patrick's Day Dance 2016

March Birthday



Future Events

- May 7 Coalition - Kentucky Derby Party at Warfield Grille
- May 10 Somerset Golf Re-Sale Mix-N-Mingle
- May 12 Speaker: Rick Bloom: Money Talk 2016 - Current Market
- May 15 Somerset Golf Kick Off Shambles - Cracklewood
- May 17 Somerset Meet & Greet - Hamlin Pub
- June 9 Speaker: Donnaleen Lanktree: Rosie the Riveter Stories
- June 24 - 25 Somerset Golf - Eagle Eye & Timber Ridge
- July 14 Speaker: Jerry Sowik : "Senior Care"
- July 19 - 21 Somerset Golf - Bucks Run Golf Club

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