December 2017



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Speaker Spotlight "Interior Design with Window Treatments"

Speakers: John Gentilia & Kathy Burm Home Decorator Experts

Thursday, December 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



December Dance Schedule Quick Look

- December 7: Annual Meeting / Dance
- December 14: Speaker Dance
- December 21: Christmas / Birthday Celebration
- December 28: NO DANCE
- "Happy New Year!"

Today's Hits & Yesterday's Favorites played by "Rob Gamblin" our DJ 8 pm - 11pm • Cash Bar see page 3 for more info or call Royal 586-206-0630 **President's Message** by Bill Gotts Members and guests,



With Christmas parties, family gatherings, and New Year's celebrations coming up, it is time to review what is important to us. Putting aside the routines of our daily lives, we have found ways to enjoy the friendships and encounters that Five Star has provided. Some of my best friendships have begun here.

This caused me to think: What would I be doing without Five Star? Looking online for a dance, calling a friend, checking out movie theaters, or just turning on the television? It strikes me that we are fortunate to be a part of this organization and always try to share with others that we meet. Maybe a friend that you invited once before has had some life changes and would welcome a second invite. We try very hard to be here every week and when we are forced, due to bad weather, to cancel a dance, I feel bad for those of you who were counting on us having our doors open.

I am grateful that we can rely on you, the membership, to keep us going. We have a D J who is top notch. A great dance instructor who keeps us up on the latest dance moves. And we have a great location with ample parking, even when the other hall is in use.

Some years are better than others and this has been a tough year for me personally. I have been forced to move, deal with Sue's health situation, and am facing facial skin surgery. But because I value you and what we have with Five Star I have continued to give myself fully to being your president. I hope you know I am here for you and I am open to any suggestions regarding our dances. You have been very supportive, and I thank all of you for that!

Happy holidays to all!

December Event Speakers

by Tess Craven, Program & Education Director

Thursday, December 14th 7:30 – 8:30 pm Speaker: John Gentilia & Kathy Burm Topic: "Interior Design with Window Treatments"



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Are you considering new window treatments that can improve the beauty of your home? Would you like to know the newest options, ideas, and products on the market today? Then don't miss our informative presentation tonight! Our area experts will discuss choosing the correct window treatment that is right for you as well as knowing advantages and disadvantages of each type of treatment. They will also include samples to view.

John Gentilia is owner of "Perfect View Blinds" where he sells national brands at discounted prices. Our area "blind man" excels in transforming your home by installing new blinds, shades, shutters and more. He also gives shop at home service and free estimates, measuring and installation.

Kathy Burm is owner of "Decorator Land" in Roseville since 1978. As an expert in wall/window coverings and custom products, she is looking forward to helping us know about all available options, including the newest in motorization products. Window treatments tips and decorating hints with drapery, wallpaper, pillows and cushions will also be discussed. For more information, call Tess at 248-689-1390.



Thank You!

To my Five Star friends,

Please excuse the delay in writing this note. The move from Michigan to Florida, a little visit from Hurricane Irma, and a recent move

to a different house within my resort have been a little overwhelming. Things seem to be settling down now and I'm enjoying being in Florida.

I want to thank everyone for the wonderful going away party, and I appreciate all the people that attended that I haven't seen for some time. It was good to see you all! Special thanks go out to Dave Kozlowski for coordinating this special night. Another special thank you goes out to Donna Olzak for the beautiful quilt, and all the work she did to get members to sign the squares. It is a wonderful keepsake. I have it hanging on a wall in my new place!!

Finally yet importantly, let me say again, that it was a pleasure playing the music for you for the past 33 years. You have become not just friends, but you are my extended family! I love you ALL!

Good luck to ROB Gamblin as he continues to play your music, every Thursday night. Tell him he has LARGE shoes to fill!! When I come back for a visit, I'll certainly make it a point to stop by Five Star to meet everyone.

Thanks again and may God Bless you all!! TJ



December Celebrations

- 10 David Kozlowski
- 12 Susan O'Connell
- 13 Darlene Janulis
- 19 Pat Pircer
- 20 Joyce Mocaby
- 22 Pat Miller
- 24 Shaaban Abdalla

"Happy Birthday" to this month's celebrants!

Membership News

by David Koslowski, Membership Director

Members and guests,

Thanks to all those people who have helped us throughout the year, whether it be dance, card & games, serving the community, highway clean-up or greeting those who visit...bless you!

Spread the love, happiness and yuletide cheer to all you meet. Have a rocking Christmas and fun filled New Year!

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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Dec. 2, Saturday: Somerset Christmas Party/Dance at Ukrainian Cultural Center. 26601 Ryan Road, Warren 48091. Time 6:30 pm until 12 am. (Dinner at 7:30 pm) Dressy Holiday Attire. \$50 per person. Cash bar, excellent Buffet Dinner, Dancing, Door Prizes. Dance to the music of Detroit Motion, (7 piece band.) Call Bobbie for more information 586-781-4056.

Dec. 6, Wednesday: Five Star Board Meeting. Location: Kozlowski residence, eat at 7 pm, meeting promptly at 7:30 pm. Contact Bill at 248-217-0514 for information.

Dec. 7, Thursday: Five Star Annual Meeting/Dance. Meeting at 7:30 pm. Dance follows.

Dec. 9, Saturday: Five Star Volunteer Work – "Breakfast with Santa" at the Rochester Community House. Time: 10 am to Noon. Adults \$8. Children \$6. For tickets call 248-651-0622.

Dec. 13, Wednesday: Sailing Singles Christmas Dance at 6:30 pm. Location: Clawson Steak House, 56 Rochester Rd. S, Clawson 48017. Selected menu. Members \$25, Guests \$28, includes tax and tip. Surprise Gifts & Prizes – Cash Bar. Dressy Attire. Mail checks to Ann Enghardt, 35403 Cathedral Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48312.

Dec. 14, Thursday: Monthly Speaker 7:30 – 8:30pm. Our speakers tonight are John Gentilia, owner of "Perfect View Blinds" and Kathy Burm, owner of "Decorator Land." They will be presenting the topic "Interior Design with Window Treatments." See pg. 2 for details. **Dance following the speaker.**

Dec. 17, Sunday: Five Star Play & Dinner. Meadow Brook Theatre, 2 pm showing of "A Christmas Carol." Dinner following the play at "Paul's on Main." For more information call Dan 248-882-7700.

Dec. 21, Thursday: Christmas Dance /Birthday Celebration. Dance lesson at 7:30 pm. Dancing at 8 pm. Complimentary Hot Hors d'oeuvres.

Dec. 28, Thursday: "NO DANCE." Enjoy the holiday with your family and friends.

Dec. 31, Sunday: New Year's Eve Party. Place: DeCarlo's Banquet & Convention Center, 6015 E. Ten Mile Road at Mound Rd, Warren 586-759-6500. Live Entertainment by "The Glen Raby Dance Band" with "The Reflections." Cost \$64 per person. Call Mary Ellen at DeCarlo's to make reservations. Tell her you want the Somerset Table by the dance floor.



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 email if cancellation is imminent. Your safety is our main concern!



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 10:45 pm.



November Speaker Scott Hunter and Members



November Birthdays







More photos are on our website!



Having fun with friends...



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Future Events

Jan. 11Five Star Speaker – Terry Mike: Tax UpdatesFeb. 8Five Star Speaker – Tom Bruno: Birth Order



