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# **NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM...**

June 10—Scouts BSA. Speaker: Dr. Tim Johnson. Introduction by Evan LeRoy.

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS...**

June 17—Street Art: Chalk Edition. Speaker: David Zinn. Introduction by TBD.

June 24—Lost Voices. Speaker: Mike Ball. Introduction by Kathie Wilder.



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# TODAY'S PROGRAM..



Charlie Phibbs introduced Huron HS graduating senior and MIT rising freshman Bhuvna Murthy who eloquently told about the miRcore Program and the pancreatic cancer research she conducted as part of the program. miRcore is a 501(c)(3) medical research organization whose mission is to generate testable hypotheses on disease etiology, biomarkers, treatment decisions, and prevention based on RNA profiles. The premise is to use data that is readily available to all researchers to do new research. There are miRcore research programs at Charlie Philbbs many leading institutions including the U of M, Scripps, and UCSD and in New York, India and S. Korea. High school students can participate as members of

miRcore's student club, GIDAS (Genes in Disease and Symptoms). There are GIDAS clubs in high schools in several states.

miRcore focuses on a different disease each year. The focus is on Pancreatic Cancer this year. Bhuyna's student group is raising \$10,000 to fund a micro-grant to support the pancreatic cancer research of Dr. Gregory Batta at Scripps Institute. (Donations are appreciated). Bhuvna explained that 5% of the pancreas's function is to produce insulin which controls how sugar is digested. Lack of insulin leads to diabetes which may or may not lead to pancreatic cancer. The other 95% of the pancreas's function is to produce enzymes that digest proteins. Lack of these enzymes leads to pancreatitis which also may or may not lead to pancreatic cancer. A huge problem is that most people do not exhibit symptoms of pancreatic cancer until the cancer is at Stage 4 and very difficult to treat. Major risk factors for pancreatic cancer are pancreatitis, pancreatic cysts, age over 50, ethnicity, smoking, diabetes, and a BMI over 25. Symptoms include abdominal and/or midback pain, jaundice, severe and sudden weight loss of more than 30 pounds, sudden onset of diabetes, blood clots, and fatigue. Treatment which is successful in only a small percentage of cases consists of removal of the pancreas or a Whipple Procedure followed by chemotherapy.



Bhuvna Murthy

When she was a 7th grader, Bhuvna met Dr. Inhan Lee, PhD, a UM researcher who has mentored Bhuvna since then. This year Bhuvna has done research on the Effects of Influenza A in Virotherapy of PDAC (pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma) a type of pancreatic cancer. The reason Stage 4 pancreatic cancer is so difficult to treat is that the cancer causes the pancreas to harden to the extent that the cells are not able to respond to medications. It appears that introduction of Influenza A cells into the pancreas can break down the mass making it soft and mushy and receptive to medications such as cytotoxic T-cells that may kill the cancer cells. (Note: Your editor, who is not of a scientific bent, accepts responsibility for all inaccuracies in this synopsis).

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# **ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK...**

All Sale	See the schedule emailed by the Volunteer Coordinator.
Vouchers	Vouchers on 6/6: Ellen Webb, Bud Roberts, Dee Smit, Jean Robinson, Eloise Lavin, Susan Smith, Gretchen Preston, Greg Meisner, and Mark Lavin.
Invocation	William V. Hampton
Meeting Greet- ers	Evan LeRoy, Max Supica, Rose-Marie Barhydt (A)
Hospitality	William V. Hampton
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#### GUESTS AT OUR CLUB...

Claire Dahl introduced guests Esther Hampton, wife of President William; Kathy Modigil, sister of Harry Hawkins; Mamadou, guest of Harry Hawkins; Susan Baskett and Robin Bailey from AAPS, guests of Dan Burroughs; and Tamara Miller, Paul and Catherine Siersma, Michael Weiss, Chris Nelson, and Janine Crawford, parents of Music Scholarship recipients. Welcome everyone!

#### HOSPITALITY...

**President William** reported that the ever-intrepid **Bob Gray** is with us today and that **Cliff Sheldon's** heart valve surgery has been rescheduled to a later date. Cliff is home from the hospital and getting ready to try again. There will be a celebration of **Joe Medrano's** life on Sun, July 28 at noon at Weber's. As space is limited, let **Carol Presley** know if you plan to attend.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- Interclub Chair Martha Petroski and a crew of members will attend the Super Interclub at Saline tonight. Some folks from the new Kiwanis Club in Canton will be coming for a tour of the Thrift Sale soon.
- President William recognized all members with June birthdays and led us in songful celebration.



❖ President-Elect Dan Dever announced that the Board has appointed Kathie Wilder as Club Secretary and Susan Smith (not Gray!) as Foundation Secretary for the 2019-20 Kiwanis year.

#### Dan Dever

Community PSA—Doug Fuller, Washtenaw County Road Commission Board Chairman, encourages citizens to go to <u>wcroads.org</u> to see easy-to-read maps of all the road projects that the road commission is working on this summer.

#### FINFS

**Garry Evans** proposed a fine on anyone who has ever played the piano. **Dan Dever** nabbed everyone else by proposing a fine on anyone who is not 'young'.

# **HAPPY DOLLARS...**



© Carol Presley gave \$100 Happy Dollars in memory of Joe Medrano who was 100% in on Kiwanis. She said Joe cherished his Kiwanis friendships, the love and kindness we share, and the good works we do. Carol said Joe will be watching from on high as we continue doing all that we do to make our community better and stronger.

Carol Presley

# **MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS...**



Middle School Music Camp Scholarships were presented today. **Dan Burroughs** shared that the Club proudly presents several \$500 Music Camp Scholarships to Ann Arbor Public Schools middle school students each year.



He introduced Robin Bailey, the Coordinator of the AAPS Fine Arts Dept., who explained that more than 100 students auditioned for music camp scholarships this year and that six very talented students were selected to receive Kiwanis scholarships. The students introduced themselves and told us where they will be attending camp.



Griffin Siersma, a 7th grader at AA Open School who plays cello, will attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp.



Leo Nelson, an 8th grader at AA Open School who plays flute, will attend Blue Lake.



Alexandria Miller, an 8th grader at Scarlett who plays bass clarinet, will attend Blue Lake.



Chana Weiss, an 8th grader at Tappan who plays viola, will attend the AAPS Summer Music Program.



Charis Crawford, a 6th grade vocalist from Scarlett, will attend Blue Lake.

Zion Dottery, a 7th grade vocalist from Scarlett who will attend Blue Lake, was unable to join us today. Perhaps we will get to meet Zion at a later Congratulations date. to all our scholarship recipients and many thanks to Ms. Bailey and the AAPS music staff for selecting these outstanding young musicians.



Robin Bailey, Fine Arts Coordinator for AAPS(L); Scholarship Recipient Students: Griffin Siersma, Leo Nelson, Chana Weiss, Charis Crawford and Alexandria Miller; and Dan Burroughs, MC for the Kiwanis Music Scholarship Awards.



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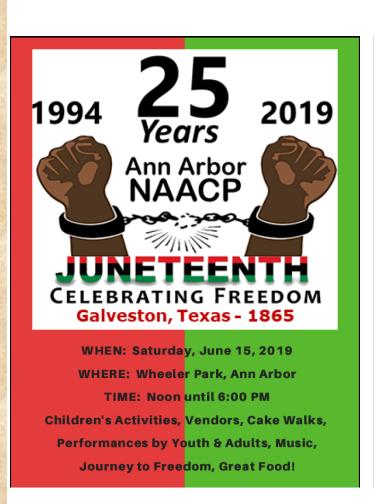


#### MEETINGS...

The District Convention Planning Committee headed by Larry French will meet Monday, June 10 at 10:30 in the conference room.

# **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES...**

- Fred Sanchez reminds everyone of our fun-filled trip to Tiger Stadium on Saturday, August 10th and requests that you let him know if you want to go. There are still prime seats available right behind home plate. The price includes a deluxe round trip motor coach meeting us at Pioneer High School at 3:30 PM. Since it is a Saturday evening game, there will not be a fireworks display after the game. Therefore, the post-game bus departure should not be delayed. See flyer below for additional details.
- President William again extended an invitation for all to attend the NAACP's Juneteenth Celebration scheduled for Saturday, June 15 at Wheeler Park. The Club/Foundation has a unique opportunity to purchase a table under the vendor tent at this significant African American event. This is yet another opportunity to add additional diversity to our membership by informing attendees of who we are and what we do in this community.
- Member In The News—See page 29 of the June *Ann Arbor Observer* for an article on "The Many Lives of Burns Park" There you'll find numerous quotes from the ever-quotable **Al Gallup**.



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# **June 2019**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
2	3 <u>miRcore and</u> <u>Music Scholar-</u> <u>ships</u>	4	5 Kiwanis Young Professionals 7pm	6		8 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
9	10 <u>Scouts BSA</u>	11	12	13	14 Sale & Do- nations: TKC 9-1 Flag Day	15 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
16 Father's Day	17 <u>Street Art:</u> <u>Chalk Edition</u>	18 Board Meeting 6:30pm	19	20	21 Sale & Do- nations: TKC 9-1	22 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
23	24 <u>Lost Voices</u>	25	26	27	28 Sale & Do- nations: TKC 9-1	29 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
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# **July 2019**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <u>Ypsi Youth</u> <u>Orchestra</u>	2	3 Kiwanis Young Professionals 7pm	4 KC is closed. No sale prep. Independence Day	5 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1	6 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
7	8 <u>PKD Founda-</u> <u>tion</u>	9	10	11	12 Sale & Do- nations: TKC 9-1	13 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
14	15 <u>Random</u> Games & Toys	16 Board Meeting 6:30pm	17	18	19 Sale & Do- nations: TKC 9-1	20 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
21	22 <u>State of City</u> of Ann Arbor	23	24	25	26 Sale & Do- nations: TKC 9-1	27 Sale & Dona- tions: TKC 9-1
28	29 <u>Land Con-</u> <u>servancy</u>	30	31			



This Week's Numbers

Attendance 64

**Fines** \$17.81

Happy \$ \$100

Mott Pot \$0 Today \$1,645 YTD

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**Vouchers** \$3,353

13 Families \$57,410 YTD 283 Families YTD

**Thrift Sale** 

**Friday** \$10,139

Saturday \$7,143

**Other** \$478

**TOTAL** \$17,760

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- Kiwanis International
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- <u>U of M Circle K</u>
   Meets 7pm Thursdays at UM Union or League (Check Calendar on Website)
- Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti
   Meets Noon Wednesdays at EMU Student Center
- Ann Arbor Western, Meets Noon Tues. at Quarter Bistro

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# **Memory Gem**

The 1990 Digest contained a recitation of various fundraising activities over the years. One was the "Up with People" show...

#### "UP WITH PEOPLE" SHOW

First Held: January 14, 1983 Last Held: June 6, 1985 Location: Michigan Theatre

What was it? A family oriented variety show presented by a 125-member troupe of the "Up With People" organization. Cast members, between the ages of 18 and 26, are students who travel an average 35,000 miles, learning first-hand of the diversity of cultures and customs around the world.

Largest Revenue: \$12,367.00 (1983) Smallest Revenue: \$10,562.00 (1985)

Interesting Facts: The cast members stayed in club member's and friend's homes. After expenses, a two-project total of \$7,244.90 was presented to the Michigan Theatre, the main beneficiary of this club project. In the August, 1983 issue of Kiwanis Magazine, an article on club fund raising gave this club project international recognition.

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