

## Minutes of the 21 January 2024 Department Meeting

Current as of 22 January 2024

- The meeting, conducted at Temple Kol Ami, was called to order by DC Weiss at 1106.
- OOD Adler prepared the Altar.
- DC Weiss led JWV-MI in Honors to the Nation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- OOD Adler read the opening prayer.
- SrVC Glogower introduced the guest speaker, David Kurzmann Senior Director of Community Affairs, Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit (JFMD).
- Reports of Operations
  - o In Quartermaster Hechler's absence, DC Weiss reported JWV-MI is underbudget for the current program year.
  - Programs (Glogower)
    - NO meeting in February
    - 17 Mar 24—JFS Speaker (Perry Ohren)
    - April and May activities to be determined given Post and Department elections respectively.
  - Membership & Public Relations (Schenk)
    - O Next outreach to Washtenaw County in March. Volunteers are welcome.
    - Received invitation from SCS Memorial Day Committee about participation.
      Replied we would not participate
    - Recap of NC-DC Conference Call of 10 Dec 24
    - ♦ New website and membership system (See article in *Jewish Veteran*). All were strongly encouraged to read the article on page 5.
    - ♦ NO additional membership rosters to be pushed from JWV-USA. All maintenance will be via portal in the future.
    - ♦ NC Lischinsky specifically focused on ensuring all are on same page about JWV future. "We are not going away but intend to be here for another 128 years!" Mentioned comments of PNC Warner in 2018 discussion with PDC Berry and PDC Hirsch
    - We were asked to get information to museum about all female members to include in the permanent exhibit at the National Museum of American Jewish Military History. More information will be forthcoming.
    - Community Events
    - ♦ Holocaust Center reopening, 28 Jan 24, 0930-1630, free admission
    - ◆ JHSM exhibit at Detroit Historical Museum, 20 Apr-14 Jul 24, "In the Neighborhood: Life on Hastings Street"
    - Maccabi Games, 28 Jul-2 Aug 24 presents volunteer opportunities for JWV-MI members

Recap of Hanukkah Celebration. Al Lewis is with us o the temporary scare is behind all of

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**New Business** 

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- O Discussion of Ethan Gross trip and JWV-MI support.
  - ♦ Departs 28 Jan 24
  - ♦ Taking \$5000 in debit cards (100 X \$50 cards) emblazoned with JWV-MI
  - Envelops stuffed after the meeting.
- O Post officer elections coming in April; Department elections in May
- o 20-22 February 2024 NEC—DC Weiss to attend via Zoom
- o Future Meetings:
  - 3 Mar 24—EXCOM at TKA
  - 17 Mar 24—JWV-MI at TKA
- ODD Adler read the closing prayer and secured the Altar. DC Weiss led JWV-MI in Honors to the Nation.

## FOR THE COMMANDER:

Schenk Acting Adjutant