**MEMBERSHIP:**

* Thirty-one members paid their 2023 dues including:
	+ We recruited four new members.
	+ One returning Member

**EXECUTIVE TEAM:**

* Executive Team for Dakar Sub-Committee are as follows:

**MONTHLY MEETINGS:**

* We will meet every month in the following format: every other month we will conduct general meetings and every other month we will host our Speaker Series. View the website for details: www.dakarpasadena.com.

**SCI Sister Cities So. AFRICA Conference**

* Under the leadership of Carla Boykin, SCI Boardmember and Dakar Travel director will lead the delegation of four Dakar members going to So. Africa to attend the conference. We are pleased to announce two students: Makia Rose Talbert and Elise Tervalon. as well as Marcia Talbert.
* We also extended an invitation to Mayor Nyode to attend the conference in So. Africa
* You can view our website to keep up to date with the day-to-day travel of the delegation.

**SPEAKER SERIES:**

* Feb. 25: We will Launch our speaker series – if you did not RSVP to attend the in-person event, you will be able to enjoy the speaker via zoom or Facebook live. Details to follow.
* April 13: The So. African delegation will speak at our Speaker Series. We hope all of you will attend to hear their presentations.
* We will be extending Mayor Nyode to be a speaker at one of our Speaker Series
* June 8: Scientist from JPL, with Mayor Gordo and Councilmember Hampton

**HOSPITALITY:**

* Black History Festival: We are pleased to have Joann Forte, who is working with the City of Pasadena, to have a display at the festival honoring The Late Councilmember John J. Kennedy.
* Black History Parade: We will participate in the Black History Parade as we did in the last parade. If any of you are interested in joining in the parade, please contact Joann Forte. You can obtain her contact information by visiting our website: [www.dakarpasadena.com](http://www.dakarpasadena.com)
* Latino History Parade and Festival: Joann is working with Mayor Victor Gordo for us to participate in the Latino parade and festival.

**EDUCATION:**

* We are working with Councilmember Hampton and Mayor Gordo to establish a writing contest with U.S. students and Students from Dakar – stay tune for details.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

* We are pleased to have Lena Louise Kennedy on our Public Relations Committee. We have updated our website. This is a site that was established four years ago to allow our sub-committee to share with the general community the work we are doing in the community and abroad. We would like to share our site with you.
* **WEBSITE: www.dakarpasadena.com**
* We will be producing a quarterly newsletter. The first one will be available in February.

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