

# Kiwanis

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## KIWANIS KEY

Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

### CLUB MEETING OF APRIL 18, 2016

Eighteen members at the meeting today, including President Pat, who very ably presided over the meeting. The buffet menu was quite unique, consisting of (1) Philly cheese steaks, with chipotle mustard, provolone cheese, pepper, onions, and shaved tenderloin, all wrapped in a bun, and (2) a spring mix salad with celery, red onion, chickpeas and basalmic. That's what you missed if you weren't at the meeting----and that's what you might not have fully realized you were eating if you were at the meeting!

The meal was served on the very attractive placemats from our Pancake & Porkies Breakfast the previous day at St. Brendan's. The placemats had 48 paid ads, including one from Mayor Jim Schmitt, and one from our vagabond member Bill B., with the message "Visualize world peace. If that is too hard, visualize whirled peas!" Thanks to Rick and Charity for a nice job selling and displaying the ads on the placemats.

Rick reported that our P & P Breakfast was a financial success. In addition to ticket pre-sales, there were receipts of \$2,700 from placemat ad sales and \$831 from at-the-door tickets, raffle proceeds, and tips. We will give the Preble Key Club \$180 for their sales of placemat ads. In the raffle, Joe won an autographed Packer football which he donated to St. Brendan's Inn, and Ann's kids won numerous prizes.

Boyd said that we were going to sing “good songs.” That statement might have been a bit redundant----when we sing songs from the Kiwanis Songbook they will always be “good.” The songs were: (1) “We of Kiwanis”--- in fellowship we meet today. (2) “The Sidewalks of New York”---- to recognize the presidential primary election in New York on Tuesday. (3) “America The Beautiful”--- thine alabaster cities gleam. As most of us know, an alabaster city is a gleaming white city.

President Pat told us that our next fundraiser will be at Hu Hot on Wednesday, May 18th. We will wait tables and clean up, to earn 10% of sales that day. Happy Dollars were from: Joe, who donated the last five dollars he had left after paying his taxes (tax returns due date was today)--- Rick, who was happy to say that we received 45 applications from high school seniors for our scholarship awards. We will give from five to seven scholarships, including one funded by George and Ann O’Hearn for the second year---Dal, who was happy that part of his family was served at our P & P Breakfast, even though they arrived a bit late. It was not their fault, since there was some confusion about the serving closing time.

Dal told us that only 5 people have signed up to attend the “Let Me Be Frank” production of “Kewaunee County Pickers” on April 28 Our participation in this social event could be cancelled if there are not enough members interested in attending. Final sign-up will be on Monday, April 25

Our program speaker was Holly Nickerson, the volunteer development coordinator for the Green Bay YMCA. Holly illustrated the importance of volunteers at the Y by saying there were 21,600 volunteer hours last year. At a calculated rate of \$27.14 per hour, the value of these volunteers was \$586,388. Volunteers can be from age 14 to infinity. Holly is an able and enthusiastic representative of the YMCA.

Future programs will be: on April 25 Bill will be back at our meeting and will have a program (an outstanding travelogue, I’m guessing)-- May 2 is our annual Youth Awards Banquet at the Riverside Ballroom at 5:30--- on May 9, Jeff Merkes of Downtown Green Bay, Inc. will be with us---May 16 is our annual High School Scholarship Awards Dinner at the Black & Tan at 5:30---on May 23, Mary Beth Leopold, Exec. Director of The Automobile Gallery, will be our guest.

by Bob Fahres