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KIWANIS MEETING OF AUGUST 17, 2015

Three full tables enjoyed an excellent noon hour meal today. We had spaghetti and meatballs, caprese salad, and french bread. Bob challenged your editor to find out more about caprese salads. Well, the definition I liked said it is a “simple” Italian salad (when it comes to cooking, nothing is simple for me ... except Eggo waffles) made of sliced fresh mozzarella cheese, tomatoes and basil, seasoned with salt and olive oil. Our salad had a few more items, I think, but that only made it taste even better. Way to go Black & Tan kitchen!

Boyd was tough on us today. We did three songs and our best grade came on “Over the Rainbow”. We may have come perilously close to failing “Come All Good People” and “Alexander’s Ragtime Band” (which Boyd said he has been playing since high school). And that’s even with new member Carolyn’s wonderful singing voice in the room. Let’s pick it up next week, gang!

Happy dollars were pouring out of pockets again – Brent for the opening (soon) of his new ash processing facility in the state of Washington, Ann told the story of having to go to the Paris stock exchange (not in person) to buy Brent’s company stock, Steve a dollar for the first vegetables from his Bellin Building rooftop garden and another for the opening of the Black & Tan’s outdoor patio, Joe for the fun weekend he had with friends from Madrid, Spain, and finally a touching dollar from Paul who told us of the passing of his mother at the age of 99 years and 11 months. Our sincerest condolences to the Trimberger family.

Announcement – the New Holstein Kiwanis Club is holding a “Spanfarkel” (pig roast) on August 24th at the Altona Supper Club. Start time is 5:30 PM.

Dave Weber introduced today’s speaker. From right across the street, we welcomed Nicolet National Bank Executive Vice President Eric Witczak to today’s meeting. Eric said that 2015 is

Nicolet's 15th year in business. They have 21 offices and \$1.2 billion in assets. Eric is employee number five and was part of the group that left Associated Bank to start the new bank.

Eric discussed the bank's growth plan. He titled it "growing intelligently". Nicolet would like to double in size in the next five years. This will be done through purchasing and his expectation is that it will occur in communities north of Green Bay. Eric said bank employees work hard to be "community helpers" and it's a company goal to give something back to each of their "hometowns".

Thanks for visiting us today, Eric. We'd love to have you or another Nicolet employee become part of our club!

Upcoming meetings – August 24 speaker is Ron Niesing from the Aging and Disability Resource Center. Following hosts are Lindsay (Aug. 31) and Steve (Sept. 8).

by Rick Satterlee