





GREEN BAY - DOWNTOWN, Founded 1917

## **KIWANIS KEY**

## Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown KIWANIS MEETING OF February 18th, 2019

We managed to fit a meeting in between snowfalls and a spirited group of 16 members appeared. Lunch was a turkey wrap, fries, and salad. Our prayer was by Emmet and Ann's songs were "Wait 'Till the Sun Shines, Nellie" plus "America the Beautiful" in honor of President's Day.

Maria was pleased to announce an impressive number of awards won by our club during the Kiwanis district Mid-Winter Conference last weekend. They included the Distinguished Club Award, Cornerstone Club Award, Membership Growth Award (33% growth), and compliments for our website. New patches will be added to our club banner.

Today's happy dollars came from Joe who was the second person to check into a room at the new Northland Hotel last week (right behind the mayor), Pat who is leaving for a vacation in Mexico later in the week, Dal who remembered club lunches at the old Northland Hotel that sometimes attracted over 150 people, and Ann who said her Northland Hotel dinner last Saturday night was "excellent".

Today's speaker was our own Doug Ramsay, field director for the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). His topic was the current "Friends of Scouting" fund raising

campaign. There are three ways that today's scouting programs are funded. One is charging fees for various activities, another is the annual door-to-door popcorn sales, and the last is donations to this campaign. In related news, our Board of Directors today authorized a \$365 club donation to the Bay-Lakes Council of the BSA.

Doug also gave us the very interesting history of the Boy Scout's own Philmont Ranch in New Mexico. The land was donated many years ago by Waite Phillips of the Phillips 66 family. The 140,000 acres of mountain wilderness is used by scouts for backpacking and other outdoor activities. Doug passed around photos of his own trip to the ranch in 2016. Looked like the experience of a lifetime for the scouts that were able to attend, including Doug's daughter. Thanks for sharing your interesting story, Doug, and for the wonderful things you are able to do for the youth of our community!

Today's attendance: Dave, Emmet, Ruth, Ben, Doug, Vince, Nancy, Anne, Rick, Ann, Pat, Dal, Maria, Bob R., Joe, and Bob F.

Upcoming programs and special events:

- Feb. 25 Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission
- March 4 Advance Business Center
- March 11 Nancy will discuss her new book
- March 18 speaker pending
- March 25 we hope to host a Green Bay mayoral debate
- April 1 Walter Awards dinner meeting

- April 28 Sconniewood
- April 29 UW Madison chancellor (bring a guest)
- May 7 Youth Awards dinner at the Riverside Ballroom
- May 20 Scholarship Awards dinner
- May 28 NEW Zoo trip with Nicolet School
- June 23 Pancake & Porkie breakfast at St. Brendan's Inn

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