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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown KIWANIS MEETING OF May 7th, 2019

We met on a rare Tuesday night to celebrate our 40th George Kress Youth Awards program. A crowd of 240 people came together to acknowledge the accomplishments of 64 local high school students in the areas of art, drama, forensics, music, and journalism. A speaker from each school announced the winners and also took time to thank our club for sponsoring this very special event.

As has been the case for all 40 years (we believe), we gathered at the Riverside Ballroom for their wonderful chicken dinner. Ken Tedford, owner for the past 17 years, supervises the evening himself and makes sure everything runs smoothly from start to finish. Kiwanis members should also thank Anne Van Ess, who coordinates the program for our club. We salute Anne for her tireless work and also Dal, Pat, new member Mary Pat, and Maria for your contributions throughout the evening.

We always invite a group of youth musicians to entertain the audience and this year it was the Green Bay East High School Chamber Orchestra. Their performance was impressive as were the speeches afterward given by their advisor and their student leader. At the end of the night, it was fun to watch the smiling students departing with their new medals around their necks followed by proud parents and teachers. The community truly appreciates the George Kress Youth Awards and wants it to continue for another 40 years!

Next week we return to the Black & Tan Grille for our only regular Monday noon meeting of the month. Other May meetings will be our scholarship dinner on the 20th and our trip to the zoo with the Nicolet School third grade class on the 28th (Tuesday).

Club members attending tonight were Dal, Anne, Maria, Rick, Bob R. (2), Pat, and Mary Pat.