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KIWANIS KEY

Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown
KIWANIS MEETING OF December 2nd, 2019

MEETING---Maria led the meeting and read the invocation---Ann was the songleader---Anne poured coffee refills, in the absense of Ben who is visiting his son in California.

ATTENDANCE---Maria, Anne, Ann, Emmet (Ruth), MaryPat, Bob R, and Bob F.

BUFFET---Tasty cod and tarter sauce (which is quite unusal at our luncheons), rice, and the usual mixed green salad. The first Monday dessert was deferred until our Christmas lunch this coming Monday.

SONGS---We sang “Happy Birthday” to Maria and Ann who have December birthdays. And, Ann gave us a choice of singing the Packer Song or singing a Christmas song. By unanimous show of hands we sang “Joy To The World.”

HAPPY DOLLARS---From Anne, whose daughter was in a performance at the Weidner---from MaryPat, whose son had a good diagnosis at a hospital in Milwaukee---from Maria, who had a happy message on her phone. I'm not sure that I heard these happy comments exactly correct, but as we know from our country's leaders, accuracy is not really important.

THANK YOU---To MaryPat, who gave a gift basket containing candy bars, cookies and special rice, to each member who was at the meeting on Monday. That was very nice, MaryPat.

PROGRAM---A presentation by a young woman from CASA. Do you know what CASA stands for?---Most of us at the meeting didn't know that it stands for "Court Appointed Special Advocate." CASA is a non-profit Brown County organization with the following descriptions:

---It was established in 2004 and has an office on Walnut Street in downtown Green Bay.

---During 2018 there were 145 volunteers who advocated for 281 children in Brown County. Most of these children were neglected or abused in their family homes or in foster homes and were under the legal protection of the court system. CASA serves children until they are 18 years old.

---CASA volunteers receive extensive training and make monthly reports to the court judge about the child's safety and well-being.

---The vision of CASA is that every child should feel safe in their home.

DECEMBER HAS ALL CHRISTMAS (Holiday?) PROGRAMS:

---On the 9th we will have our club Christmas luncheon at the Black & Tan. Entertainment will be by the flute players from East High School. They played at our Christmas luncheon last year and are coming back by popular demand---they were very good! Please bring a spouse or friend so that we have a good Christmas turnout.

---On the 16th we will have our annual Holiday party at the Riverside Ballroom with 75 Nicolet School third graders. The kids will arrive at 10:45 and lunch will be served at 11:00. If you can help with the set up you can come at 10:30. Anne Van Ess has arranged for games, mittens and caps as presents for the kids.

---On the 23rd and the 30th we will have Christmas round tables at the Black & Tan with interesting discussions about holiday travels, gifts received and given, and the year-end fortunes of our various sports teams.

Bob Fahres