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KIWANIS KEY Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

KIWANIS MEETING OF February 27th, 2017

Attendance of just 10 today. We're hopeful that number will rise as members start to feel better and others return from their winter vacations. In the meantime, our little group dined on jambalaya and a salad that may have featured collard greens today. None of us were that familiar with collard greens to make a definitive identification. But I took a look at internet photos and there were certainly similarities!

Emmet led us in prayer and then Anne, stepping in for President Ole who is enjoying the sunshine in Mexico for a few weeks, selected "Old MacDonald's Farm", "Hey Look Us Over", and "America the Beautiful" for our songs. Fortunately some of our better voices were in attendance today and we didn't sound bad at all!

Our "Name in the News" was none other than Ole who was featured in "Collective Impact" magazine for his work with the Chamber of Commerce business ambassadors group. There were several nice photos of our fearless leader! Rick pitched in a happy dollar for the start of the Pancake & Porkie placemat ad sales campaign.

Today's speaker, introduced by Ann, was Nancy Kellner from Kellner's Back Acre Garden in Denmark. She and her family own and operate an organic and community supported agriculture (CSA) farm. The farm has 100 CSA members, including Ann, who receive a weekly share of the farm's produce in exchange for a fee that is paid at the start of the growing season. There is also a "Meat Share" program. Each month those members receive ten pounds of organic or chemical free meat such as chicken, beef, pork, and even goat.

Nancy said her effort to eat healthy and to help others do likewise started over 17 years ago when she was diagnosed with breast cancer. Now thanks to the efforts of Nancy and her family, people all across NE Wisconsin can access a whole food organic diet that is within their financial reach. Those of us watching our cholesterol levels were particularly interested to hear about her chicken operations. It was expanded two years ago to include over 2,500 free range chickens that lay healthier eggs.

Nancy's website is www.kellnerbackacregarden.com for those of you that want to learn more. Thanks, Nancy, for your interesting program today!

Our upcoming club meeting schedule:

March 6 – Doug's speaker is from the Native American Drug Task Force March 13 – Ole's speaker is from Delaware North food services and will discuss Lambeau Field fund raising opportunities March 20 – Matt's speaker is John Loch March 27 – open March 30 – Hu Hot evening club fundraiser (volunteers needed to clear tables and have dinner) April 3 – Walter Awards dinner at the Black & Tan April 23 – Sconniewood May 2 – Youth Awards dinner at Riverside Ballroom starting with 5:30 PM arrival May 7 – Pancake & Porkie breakfast at St. Brendan's Inn 8AM to 11:30AM

May 15 – Scholarship awards dinner at the Black & Tan

By Rick Satterlee