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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown
KIWANIS MEETING OF March 25th, 2019

NOTE---WE HAVE AN EVENING MEETING ON MONDAY APRIL 1-----Our annual Walter Awards program at the Black & Tan---social time at 5:45 pm and dinner at 6:00 pm. There will NOT be a noon meeting on Monday April 1st.

We met in the Emerald Room of the Northland Hotel, a joint meeting with the Green Bay Rotary Club, to host the two Green Bay mayoral candidates Eric Genrich and Patrick Buckley. Joe Jacques did a nice job as emcee of the meeting, opening with our usual singing of “My Country Tis of Thee,” the Pledge of Allegiance and an appropriate prayer read by Joe.

Ten of our members were at the meeting: Joe, Maria, Pat, Doug, Anne, Ann, Dave, Vince (and Nancy), Bob R. and Bob F. There was a large attendance that filled the Emerald Room. I would say, using Trump type calculations, that it was the largest group that has ever attended a mayoral debate in the history of Green Bay!

After a nice chicken salad lunch, Joe kept the meeting moving with humorous comments as he introduced John Williams from the Northland Hotel, the president of the Rotary Club, and the owner of the Aardvark Wine Lounge (located on Pine Street across from the Northland Hotel) who gave two gift certificates to the winners of a short quiz about Green Bay. Joe said that we have been a singing club during our 102 years of existence and he led the group in singing “You’re A Grand Old Flag,” and “The Packer Fight Song,” which generated some laughs as we pounded the table when the words “Fight, Fight, Fight” were sung.

The feature of the meeting was the comments of the two mayor candidates. I was impressed that each of the men presented their plans and vision for Green Bay, but neither of them made any derogatory comment about their opponent. A very distinct difference compared to candidates at the state and national levels.

Each of the two men were given time to tell about themselves and their plans for Green Bay:

Genrich---Eric is a Green Bay native and a graduate of UW-Madison---his two children attend Aldo Leopold school in Green Bay---he represented Green Bay in the Wisconsin State Assembly for six years---his goals as mayor of Green Bay include infrastructure improvements, capital expenditure planning, and encouraging small businesses.

Buckley---Pat is a Green Bay native with an adult daughter and a son in high school---he is a retired police officer---owns a chain of sub sandwich shops---has served as a Green Bay alderman and on the Brown County Board---his goals as mayor of Green Bay include planning for financial spending including road repairs, reducing City bonding debt, and emphasizing public safety.

Coming Special Programs:

April 1---Walter Awards dinner, no noon meeting.

April 28 (Sunday)---Sconniewood Film Festive at the Meyer Theatre,

April 29---UW-Madison Chancellor Rebecca Blank will be our speaker. For this high profile speaker we want to have the largest attendance of guests in the history of our club.