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# KIWANIS KEY

Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

## KIWANIS MEETING OF December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Outside the Bellin Building “The day was cold and dark and dreary, it rained and the wind was never weary” (from “The Rainy Day,” a poem by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow). But inside our meeting room our ten faithful members were warmed by the GIGANTIC chicken breast burgers (I’ve never before had, or even seen, such a large burger-meal), plus tater tots, tossed salad and (for our first Monday of the month birthdays) a small rectangular piece of cake.

Vice-president for life, Anne Van Ess, opened the meeting, then passed the gavel to our new President Dal Wood. Dal was elected president during the meeting in the prior week, witnessed by what was (to paraphrase a famous statement) “the largest crowd of Kiwanians that has ever attended a president’s installation in Kiwanis history. Period!”

Our three Christmas songs were: “Joy To The World” (Repeat the sounding joy)---“Deck The Halls” (Fa la la la etc.)---and “The Packer Song” (yeah, it’s an all year round including Christmas, favorite).

Happy dollars from: Dave Weber who told about a family skiing trip--- Joe, who donated two dollars to tell us about attending the grand opening of the Packer’s Titletown and the new tubing hill---and from

Anne who had a birthday trip with her husband to Las Vegas, and a drive with spectacular scenery to an animal farm in Utah.

In his inauguration address to our club Dal said that when he was club president in 1992 the club celebrated its 75th anniversary and club membership increased to 75 members. Dal is dedicated to increasing our membership and has set June, 2018 as a target date to determine if we can rebuild our club. Dal has recruited a seven person committee that will work solely on membership. Dal is trying to arrange an early morning meeting of the seven people, which is proving as difficult to find a meeting time that fits all of their schedules, as it will be to find new members.

Some news that is probably too late for the publication of this newsletter:

(1)---Our meeting on Monday December 11 will be at Riverside Ballroom for a Christmas party with the Nicolet School third grade students. The students will arrive at 11:30 in the morning and we want our members to be there shortly before that time. The meal will be served at 11:45. The students will be leaving in two bus departures at 1:15 and 1:30.

(2)---Also on Monday the 11th, the apples that Dal has arranged and members have signed up for, will be delivered to the Riverside Ballroom at 10:30. They can be picked up either before or after the luncheon with the Nicolet students.

Monday December 18th will be our club Christmas luncheon at noon at the Black & Tan. Members are encouraged to bring spouses and/or other appropriate guests.

Monday December 25th is Christmas Day and our meeting that week will be postponed to Wednesday the 27th, with a round table, no-program, meeting on that noon.

By Bob Fahres