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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

KIWANIS MEETING OF July 24th, 2017

We had an attendance of 16 at the meeting, ten members and six guests. Except for special events I think this is a 2017 record. Other than our speaker the guests included Lorna Wood, Kiwanis Lt Governor John Day, Navy Lt Carter, Scholarship winner Gabrielle Every and her mother.

President Pat conducted the meeting and he led us in prayer and song. We sang, America the Beautiful, Grand old Flag, and the Packer Fight Song. Lunch consisted of Grilled Ham and Cheese, Sweet Potato Fries and a Salad. We got happy dollars from Rick, Pat and Gabby Every's mother.

Rick introduced Gabrielle Every one of scholarship winners that was unable to attend the Scholarship Banquet that was held in May. Rick did his usual fine job of reading some of the highlights of Gabby's application and her recommendation letters. She will be attending UW Madison in the fall majoring in Physics.

Prior to the introduction of our speaker Dal Wood spoke about the Navy Song "Anchors Away". Its original wording and latter changes. Our speaker today was Command Master Chief David Robinson of the USS Green Bay. Chief Robinson is the highest ranking Enlisted man on the USS Green Bay which has a crew of 1100 men and women. He reports directly to the ship Captain and Executive Officer. Chief Robinson has been in the

Navy for 23 years, joining right after high school. Chief Robinson has served on several ships over the years from small wooden Mine Sweepers to two tours on Aircraft Carriers which have a crew of 5500 sailors. The USS Green Bay is a smart ship allowing it to operate with a smaller crew. Chief Robinson has been assigned to the Green Bay for the past seven months and really likes the ship and crew.

The USS Green Bay is based in Japan. Currently the ship is participating in joint exercises with the New Zealand and Australian armed forces. They are at sea a total of four months at a time and back in Japan for three months before going back to sea. The Chief is in Wisconsin for Navy Week and spending time in Green Bay to keep the connection between the city and the ship strong. Thanks to Master Chief Robinson for an outstanding presentation.

Next week July 31st the speaker will be Emily Umbreit who will tell us about hospice care. On August 7th we will hear from Mayor Schmidt.

Bob Rowan