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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

KIWANIS MEETING OF February 20th, 2017

There were no signs telling us what we were having for lunch today so President Ole gave everything a name. The main entrée was “Honey Dijon Pork and Brioche Pastry” (it was pulled pork and buns). Accompanying was “Tomato Verde Pasta Salad” (it was macaroni noodles with baby tomatoes) and “Vegetable Medley with a creamy Buttermilk and Herbs dipping sauce” (it was carrots and celery with ranch dressing). I figure that the club president has the right to name anything club related so today I am “Regional Kiwanis International Commentator”. Hope you enjoy my report!

We had attendance of 15 today including speakers and guests. Ann brought Jenna Rousseau from her law office and Anne brought Eric Sponholtz, the new Volunteer Center director. Thanks for coming and please consider membership!

Songs selected by our president today were “Smile – Sing A Song”, “Hey Look Us Over”, and for President’s Day “Grand Old Flag”. Happy dollars came from Anne who enjoyed a walk in the warm weather (and mud) with her dog and guest speaker Andrew Sarnow, CFO for our school district, who was excited to see his old friend Emmet Weber at lunch today. At one time they were members of the Beaver Dam Kiwanis Club together!

Besides Mr. Sarnow, our speakers today were Brenda Warren and Katie Maloney from the school board. Their topic was the April 4th Green Bay Area Public School District referendum which is asking for \$16.5 million in operational funds and \$68.25 million for facilities improvements.

Their excellent presentation explained the \$16.5 million if approved will allow the district to maintain educational programming and class sizes plus retain staff. The Green Bay district spending is currently limited to \$9,691 per student, far below the revenue limits at other similar sized districts around the state. If the referendum fails, the district will have to cut \$18 million in expenses to balance its budget.

The \$68.25 million for facilities includes an all new Baird Elementary School plus improvements at 14 other schools. By the way, residents will not see a tax increase if the referendums pass.

You can find more information at www.gbaps.org/referendum.

Upcoming programs:

February 27 – Ann Patteson- speaker, Nancy Kellner- a local organic farmer

March 6 –Doug Ramsey- Speaker-Commander Bryan Kastelic- WI Dept of Justice Native American Drug Task Force

March 13 – Pat Ole-speaker, Josh Anderson- Delaware North food services about Lambeau Field fund raising opportunities

March 20 –Matt Haney, speaker John Loch- not sure of topic

March 27 – open

March 30 – Hu Hot fundraiser

April 3 – Walter Awards dinner, 5:45 social 6:00 dinner

April 23 – Sconniewood

May 2 – Youth Awards dinner, 5:30 reception, 6:00 dinner

May 7 – Pancake and Porkie breakfast

May 15 – Scholarship awards dinner

May 22- open

Tues, May 30, Nicolet Picnic at NEW Zoo, serving lunch at 11:00

By Rick Satterlee