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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

KIWANIS MEETING OF OCTOBER 26, 2015

There were 16 members at the meeting who enjoyed a unique entrée of vegetable lasagna (a comment I overheard was “I’ve never had this before, but it is really good!”), a house salad with red wine vinaigrette, and herb garlic bread. And the service was as good as the food---several members arrived late at the meeting after the buffet food was mostly gone, and our friendly waitress brought each of them (or as coach McCarthy would say, using one of his favorite expressions) “each and every one”, an individual serving of the buffet meal.

Boyd’s choice of songs were: (1) “Hey Look Us Over”---good members all (2) “Take Me Out To The Ballgame”---to recognize the World Serious (does anyone know who the two teams are?) and (3) of course, the Packer Fight Song---by visual observation two members knew from memory all of the words, including the verse “Hail, Hail, the gangs all here to yell for you,” and four members knew the chorus “Go You Packers Go and Get Them.” Shouldn’t we all know all of the words by memory in this Super Bowl season?

Our guest today was Tony Vallera, a financial planner with an office near the Black and Tan, and a prospective member. We hope to see you at more meetings, Tony.

Joe gave us a recap of the very successful Sconniewood Film Festival on Sunday. Mayor Schmitt was present, there were seven awards to students for the best films, and there was a 40% increase in participation. It seems that “if you film it, they will come!” Thank you to all of our members who helped with the production, and a special appreciation to Matt Haney for his dedicated work and sharing his expertise in film making. The films are online at the Sconniewood web site.

Happy dollars were from: Pat, to recognize Joe for his many hours organizing Sconniewood--- Doug, for a scout food event---Joe, for his daughter on TV promoting Sconniewood---Ann P., for her son winning a bucket of Star Wars items, and for Anne V.E. giving Ann’s son a special balloon to make him feel better about not winning something as his twin sister did---Steve, for

learning new facts about the Bellin Building when he gave a presentation about the building--- and Dal, because the club website is finally up and running again.

The “Apples for Christmas” sign-up sheet was circulated at the meeting and will be available at meetings through November. Distribution of the apples will be on December 7th (I think Dal’s military background led him to choose that date). You can order bags of apples for \$10 each for yourself, for gifts, or as a donation to the Salvation Army. Dal suggested that you double your apple order each Monday. If you now have an order for 5 bags and double it for the next four meetings, you will get 80 bags of apples! I’m quite sure we can arrange a discount for that size order.

Our program on Monday was presented by Chris Burns, the Executive Director of The First Tee of Northeast Wisconsin. Chris told us that the First Tee is a program for disadvantaged kids from ages 5 to 17 to enrich their lives through educational programs that promote life skills through the game of golf. The program was started in 1997 and served over 1,200 kids in 2014. The kids are recruited from organizations such as the Boy’s and Girl’s Club. To learn more about this organization go to their web site “The First Tee of Northeast Wisconsin”.

You can check our club website calendar to review coming programs, which are:

November 2---A member of the Service League of Green Bay will tell us about their activities. Brent DuBois arranged for this program.

November 9---A program will be arranged by Bill Buerschinger

November 16---Matt Haney will have a program

November 23---Our speaker will be Mary Ellen Gillespie, the athletic director at UW-GB.

November 30----Joe Jacques will arrange for a program.

December 7---Carolyn Kuether will have a program.

December 14---Denis Lee will have the program.

December 21---We will have our annual Holiday Party with the Nicolet School third graders at Riverside Ballroom. From 11:45 am to 2:00 pm.

December 28---Tim LeMere will have a program.

And that that takes us to 2016. Happy New Year!

by Bob Fahres