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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

KIWANIS MEETING OF June 19th, 2017

President Pat presided over the meeting today and welcomed a (relatively) large group of members. The past several weeks we had 8 members attending each meeting, but today we had a 25% INCREASE! I'm sure you can do the math.

Our buffet today featured a nice tossed salad, French bread, and a casserole. I'm not sure what was in the casserole but whatever it was, it was way too spicy for me. For balanced reporting, some members did go back for seconds on the casserole.

Pat choice a sports theme for our songs today. "Take Me Down To Kiwanis," to the tune of "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" for baseball---- "On Kiwanis" to the tune of "On Wisconsin" for college sports----and "The Packer Song" for our local football team. Last week Pat chose weather related songs. What will Pat's theme be on Monday June 26? You'll have to come to the meeting to find out.

Two Press Gazette news items were mentioned today: Our NEW zoo outing had a picture of the Nicolet third graders in the "Community" section of the paper, and the business section mentioned that the Kress Inn received the 2017 Platinum Hospitality Award from Choice Hotels

International. Congratulations Pat, you do a great job in Kiwanis and in the hotel business.

Happy Dollars were from Ann Patteson as she told us about enjoying the Billy Joel concert with friends, and from Emmet who had a nice Father's Day family reunion.

Our program speaker was Jeff Mirkes who is the executive director of Downtown Green Bay and of the Main Street District in east Green Bay. Downtown Green Bay includes Broadway Street on the west side of the Fox River. Jeff has been at our meeting several times in recent years to present a slide show that features many of the major new building projects in Green Bay. The "before and after" slides are especially interesting as they show the improvements that have been made in Green Bay. Jeff also emphasized the effect that the City Deck has had on improving the river front and bringing many people to the downtown area. Another great program Jeff, I will look forward to the next time you bring your slide show to our meeting.

Anne Van Ess is doing a fine job of maintaining good programs for our small group meetings. Her program for June 26 is still pending. Come to the meeting to see what that will be. On Monday July 3rd we will not have a meeting. With the 4th holiday the next day our Board decided that the turnout on the 3rd would probably be very low. Anne is hoping to get Mayor Jim Schmidt to speak to our club on July 10th. On July 17th our speaker will be Hanna Sprangur, the District Governor of our Kiwanis Key Clubs. On July 24th there is a prospective military program, and on July 31 the speaker will be Emily Umbreit to tell us about hospice care at Aseracare.

By Bob Fahres