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## KIWANIS KEY

Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

### KIWANIS MEETING OF JANUARY 4, 2016

In 1966 Frank Sinatra had a hit song called “It Was A Very Good Year.” That would have been an appropriate theme song for our meeting on Monday, as our program was a video presentation by President Pat of our “Very Good Year” in 2015. Pat used photos that have been posted on our club website, and we relived the varied programs during 2015. We saw pictures of program speakers, of our club members, and of the Nicolet School events, all enhanced by the witty captions of our webmaster, Dal. Pat presented a positive program with no “negativity”, unlike another organization in Green Bay.

16 members attended the meeting, including our newest member, Charity Olson. Charity was approved as a member during the Board of Directors meeting immediately prior to the noon club meeting. That definitely qualifies as being the newest member! Charity works for Associated Bank in the Trust Department. Some of us will remember that she was a member of our club eleven years ago. The rest of us should be sure to introduce ourselves to Charity during coming Mondays.

We all enjoyed, I’m quite sure, a buffet meal of grilled chicken blended with veggies and citrus herb pasta, a garden salad with Japanese melon vinaigrette dressing, French bread, and orange Bundt cake. After that descriptive meal, when I got home and my wife asked what I had for lunch, I just said “lots of good stuff.” The cake was to celebrate the January birthday of Dave Weber, the only January birthday listed on our membership roster. If there are other members with a January birthday, please tell me and I will put your name in next week’s newsletter.

Boyd chose songs to celebrate the new year, to remember the recent Christmas, and to hope for better times. The songs were, in the order listed: (1) Auld Lang Syne, which is from a poem written in 1788 by Robert Burns, and means “times gone by.” (2) Hark the Herald Angels Sing, and (3) The Packer Fight Song, with the words “win or lose we’ll always sing your praises Packers.” Sure we will!

Ben gave the invocation today and seems to be mentoring a new coffee pourer, as Dave Weber refilled the coffee cups at the tables. Nice jobs, Ben and Dave.

In club financial news: Rick reported that we made a profit of \$327 plus \$20 in tips at our fund-raiser at Hu-Hot Mongolian Grill. The Board also approved donations of \$100 to the Salvation Army and \$100 to Kiwanis Camp Wawbeek for a golf cart to transport disabled campers.

Happy dollars were from Dave who told us about a family trip to Washington D.C.----from Rick who said he would have been happy with a victory by either the Packers or the Vikings (but he did seem really happy Monday)---from Emmet who enjoyed having his son, Dave's older brother, visiting here from St. Paul during Christmas----and from Dal who told us about his six months of misery with the Shingles. A first diagnosis of a tooth problem, rather than Shingles, resulted in having a wisdom tooth extracted. Dal had severe pain and an unsightly rash in the side of his face, lost his hearing in one ear, had a slight stroke, and an altered heart rhythm. Dal's problems occurred even though he had a Shingles shot, but he still strongly recommends having the shot.

Our Coming Programs Will Be: This coming Monday, January 11th, George will introduce Dr. Gary Miller, the Chancellor of UWGB---on January 18th, Ann will introduce Judge Walsh----and on February 8th, Rick will introduce Lee Meyerhofer from American Transmission Co. (ATC) who will tell us about Power Forward: moving energy into the future. PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITIES for other Mondays are: Jan. 25th, Doug Ramsay---Feb. 1st, Bob Rowan---Feb. 15th, Steve Schneider---Feb. 22nd, Lindsay Tafelski. MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROGRAMS should tell Anne Van Ess when they have obtained a program speaker.

by Bob Fahres



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