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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

KIWANIS MEETING OF October 16th, 2017

Eleven Kiwanis members and one quest met at Nicolet school on Monday. We had lunch with the third graders in their classrooms. The Kiwanis members and teachers enjoyed "Jimmy John" sandwiches while the children had the lunch provided by the school. The club purchased additional Cookies so all could enjoy a desert.

The third graders are divided into four classrooms with one class taught in both English and Spanish. The classroom, I was in had only 15 assigned students. Federal funding allows for the smaller class size in some At Risk Schools. While the children went out side after lunch we met with the teachers, Vice Principal and Principal for fifteen minutes until classes would resume.

The principal has been at Nicolet for three years after moving here from Chicago. He said there is a constant need for additional funding. Compared to Chicago schools, Green Bay schools are very well funded. There are a total of 450 students at Nicolet, half are Hispanic. The rest of the school is made up of 25% White and 25% Afro-American students Included in the

Afro-American students are approximately 35 Somali refugees who speak very little English. Student turnover averages five students/week.

Thanks again to Anne for arranging our yearly trip to Nicolet. Dal Wood told the group that this is our 26th year supporting the third grades at Nicolet.

Speaker on October 23rd will be Tony Walter discussing his new book on the Packers. On November 6th our speaker will be Major Bob Mueller from the Salvation Army.

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