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Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown

CLUB MEETING OF MAY 2, 2016

Starting a month of special meetings, members met tonight at the Riverside Ballroom for the 37th annual George Kress Youth Awards celebration. Check our website for a copy of the official program. Those of you unable to attend missed a spectacular event! Particular thanks go out to organizers Tim, Anne, Joe, and Pat for their hard work. Everything went off without a hitch!

Food is a big part of the evening thanks to the delicious meal prepared and served by the outstanding Riverside Ballroom staff (which includes one of Dal's grandsons!). Healthy portions of broasted chicken, mashed potatoes, dressing, corn, coleslaw, rolls and beverages filled every corner of every table. 225 people did not leave hungry, I can guarantee you. And if you had room for dessert, you got a special treat – unlimited knee caps! Your writer sat at a table with the 110 lb. mother of a Green Bay East student and witnessed her devour three of the pleasurably powdery puff pastries.

After dinner we enjoyed listening to the Green Bay East High School Chamber Orchestra. Special guests Tom Hoh from the school district, Green Bay Mayor Jim Schmitt and Brown County Sheriff John Gossage were introduced. Club members Wyatt and Carolyn were the appropriate keynote speakers given their background in theatre and film. Their story of heading to New York to seek success in the center of the of the artistic world was I'm sure inspiring to our young audience.

Medals were then presented to students from seven area high schools – East, West, Preble, Southwest, NEW Lutheran, Bay Port, and Notre Dame. Award categories were art, music, drama, journalism, forensics, choir, orchestra, and band. A representative from each school introduced their students. All graciously thanked our club along with the deserving teachers from their school, many of whom accompanied their students to tonight's ceremony.

Next Monday we briefly return to our regular meeting schedule. Brent's guest speaker will be Jeff Merkes from Downtown Green Bay, Inc. Board members, ... please remember to arrive at 11:15 AM for their monthly get-together.

Remainder of the month:

May 16 – 5:45 PM at the Black & Tan for our scholarship awards dinner.

May 23 – Mary Beth Leopold from the Automobile Gallery will speak.

May 31 (Tuesday) – NEW Zoo trip with the Nicolet 3rd grade class.

by Rick Satterlee