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# KIWANIS KEY

Weekly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Green Bay – Downtown  
KIWANIS MEETING OF March 4th, 2019

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On behalf of each member of our Kiwanis Club, we extend our sympathy to Pat Olejniczak on the death of his mother Jean at age 84, on March 1st. Jean was a Cum Laude graduate of UW-GB with a degree in social work and had a working career at ASPIRO. Jean was proud of her 100% Irish heritage and was named Irish Person of the Year in 1998 by the Shamrock Club of Northeastern Wisconsin. We are sorry for your loss, Pat.

On a cold Monday noon there were only eight members at our meeting: Maria, Joe, Rick, Anne, Ben, Vince (and Nancy), Bob R., and Bob F. We enjoyed a meal of BBQ chicken, peas and corn, and mashed potatoes. The dessert for the first meeting of the month was (very good) lemon meringue pie.

We sang happy birthday to our club members with March birthdays: Christy Faymonville, Pat Olejniczak and (honorary member) Mike Gallagher. Our other song was “My Wild Irish Rose” in honor of Pat’s mother and to celebrate the coming St. Patrick’s Day.

Memory dollars were donated by Joe for Pat’s mother and by Anne for the death of a good friend.

One Happy Dollar was from Rick who will be happily vacationing in Florida for several weeks. We look forward to Rick’s return in April.

Joe told us that plans are progressing for our fifth annual Sconniewood Youth

Film Festival on Sunday April 28th at the Meyer Theater. Joe and Matt Haney are finalizing arrangements and financial contributions are being received. Mark that date on your calendar, for an entertaining afternoon watching films originated by local school students.

Our speaker was Ron Franklin, the Program Manager for Startup Hub. Ron was introduced by Bob Rowan. Ron is originally from Australia (with an accent still discernable) and has an extensive background of work with major corporations. The Startup Hub is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and is the successor to the Incubator that helped new businesses. The focus of the Startup Hub is to help entrepreneurs and small businesses by providing office facilities and arranging for networking with potential customers and related resources. The Startup Hub brochure says they are "Greater Green Bay's entrepreneur center and the starting point for all things entrepreneurial."

#### Coming Programs:

March 11---Vince's aide and our good friend Nancy, will tell us about a children's book that she has written.

18---A program about the Green Bay soccer club.

25---Mayoral candidate Eric Genrich will speak to us. His opponent, Pat Buckley, has also been invited but has a potential conflict and might not be able to attend our meeting. Pat did speak to our club several weeks ago.

April 1---NO NOON MEETING---Walter Awards, see below.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS:

On April 1st we will have our annual Walter Award program to recognize Green Bay area middle school students. This will be an evening meeting at the Black & Tan with social time starting at 5:45 and dinner at 6:00. There will not be a meeting at noon.

On April 29th Rebecca Blank, the Chancellor of UW-Madison, will be our noon speaker. As Chancellor, Rebecca represents a prominent office in the State of Wisconsin and we want to have maximum support for her appearance at our meeting. Please invite your family, friends or co-workers to this major presentation.

By Bob Fahres