

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF DEARBORN WEEKLY NEWS

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This ain't no simple task! Have some big shoes to fill and sure hope Frank doesn't miss too many more meetings. So I arrived to our Wednesday night meeting early to meet with President Linda and shared some ideas from the Partnership Summit I attended in Indianapolis. We were the first to arrive and then Pat Abbott came in and sat at the bar. We were giggling so much he came over to see what was up – and of course we didn't share it with him. He was a good sport and went to grab his seat at the table.

After some planning – at 5:45 pm we went into the hall and NO ONE was there except of course Pat. Not even our faithful Treasurer. So we were thinking – did we have the right date? Well then I think it was Larry who came in and shared that others were in the parking lot admiring Walt's beautiful blue '71 Volkswagen. It was perfect. Walt said that he bought it from Norm... seriously – how did Norm slide in there? Well we later found out – that's why he sold it – he couldn't get in there real easily. It truly is a showcase car! Sorry you missed it Frank.

Before the meeting there was discussion on where Rick Baker was, and found out he was in town – didn't know where – but he reached out to Pat A. for 3 boxes of peanuts... So Rick if you are reading this – can you give your phone number to Al – so we can make sure you get your peanuts and we can add your donation to the totals?

But around 6:00 – people started arriving and we had a really good crowd – heck we filled the three tables.

President Linda had to use her "bell" a few times to draw the guys back in – and focus on what she was sharing with the audience. Gosh the bell didn't even work one time – Richard had to stand up and say SUSH.

Guests

Good thing Brittany Denis from Bellevue remembered that she wanted to attend this meeting to find out who we are and what we do – because Norm had forgotten that they had exchanged emails and that's how she joined us last night. Hopefully we didn't scare her away – although I did warn her before the meeting got rockin. Another longtime friend and guest who joined us last night was Al Schultz from the Dearborn Heights Club.

We were **happy to welcome** Mark & Carol Slatter from the Dearborn Heights Club join us also. Mark wore his cool patriotic shirt and tie and shared with us the Veterans Day Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, November 10th at 6:30 pm at the STITT American Legion Post. Adult cost is \$20 and Student cost is \$10. You can call for tickets at 313-561-5778. They will be honoring Veteran Major Michelle Ruehl who is bringing her husband and baby to fly in and speak at this event – so hopefully there will be a good showing of Kiwanis members.

Our guest speakers were: Professor Paul Dras and Brian Yopp. They shared the history of the Fort Street Bridge Park and had a great slide presentation to enjoy. I mentioned to Dr. Goerke (like Turkey) that I have never been there – and of course he shared with me all the BARS and businesses he went to for many years.

Happy Dollars – Fine Dollars

Not too many fines shouted about from Al – mostly Al got fined all night. He thinks now that he "voted for Clintons" that it's a shoe in and he need not say more on the subject... Thank God there wasn't too much whining all night about the two sad candidates we have to choose from to run our country. Heck I think our Club would do a better job... but enough on politics. We continued on quickly with the meeting as some really wanted to get home to watch the comedy show... oh I'm sorry I meant the "debate" show.

Past President Don spoke a few minutes (he wasn't very bubbling L - I think tired – he's still running around doing Kiwanis business) on the Dearborn Chamber event on Dec. 15th at the Edward Hotel. We are invited. He also passed around a plastic jug for the Thomas Oliver Holiday Greetings Program. If you put \$5 in the jug and filled out the green slip – you would be mentioned in the Builder. Heck for \$5 – what a great idea... A total of \$148 was collected via passing the jug. Great Job one and all!

Patricia gave an update on the "Inter-Club" meetings that were coming up. Can't remember who shared (sorry) the Dearborn Symphony Concert at the Michael Guido Theatre – must be on this weekend – as you can wear a costume if you want. (Frank – Al – you can have this job back – its hard writing all this info being shared by many – Ha-ha)

Time to Head Home for the Debate..

Before adjournment President Linda asked our FRoG (Fort Rouge Gateway) guests to pull the winning ticket from the 50-50 raffle and Pat Abbot was the lucky winner. Our sponsors for the Little League were Adrienne and Larry – THANKS guy & gal.

Make sure you don't miss any more meetings – lots of fun and things happenin..

Respectfully Submitted - Renea

Upcoming Events

**October 26th -
Peanut Cookout
at Rays'!**

**Track or Treat
Contact Linda or
Renea**

**November 21st
Festival of Trees!**

**December 7th
Kiwanis
Christmas Party**



The Weeks Ahead

Oct. 26th – PEANUT TURN IN BBQ at Ray's house. Leon is so gracious that he and his wife Danielle are providing the steaks... someone whispered that they could be "deer steaks" but he wouldn't acknowledge anything. But he told me they were good steaks. So should have lots to eat and drink at Ray's... And I offered peanuts for the dessert.... Thank You Leon for the "real" steaks.

So those that still have funds to turn in and were keeping the amount hush-hush as to not give away how much – well you know the drill...

Oct. 26th you will need to bring ALL monies and peanuts to turn in.

I will have peanuts there if you still have others that want to purchase more. We still have lots of time to surpass our goal by \$1...

Oct. 30th – there is a service project a few of us will be attending called the Track or Treat and we will have a table there – bring our peanuts, candy and Kiwanis materials for membership. If you can join us – come at 4:30 to set up. Let President Linda or Renea know if you want to have some Halloween fun.

Nov. 2 will be the combined Committee AND Board meeting.

Nov. 9th will be an "in-service" luncheon & I apologize I didn't get where... too many voices talking...

Nov. 11th President Linda asked Daisy to represent us in the handing out of the scholarship for the Dearborn Symphony.

Nov. 21st is the Festival of Trees and Al had a sign-up sheet to volunteer for.

Dec. 7th VP John shared the Christmas Party will be held at the Dearborn Country Club. He has a special friend that will be playing the piano and I hear that there is a Christmas Sing-a-Long... VP John also encouraged everyone to bring your spouse or significant other to enjoy our Christmas event.