

June 28, 2017

It was the last meeting in June. Patty Richardson had the KofC Hall decorated in Red, White & Blue (4th of July Theme). The Kiwanis Calendar girls(Linda, Patty, Adrienne & Renea) were all wearing R,W, & B Cowboy hats. Patty was also the evening's Sherriff. We had guests from the Garden City Kiwanis club, and they (TOM, KATHY & DAVID) were sitting at my table. Pat Abbott introduced his friend Al Daniels. Renea had Circle K and Key Clubbers at her table. Many of them worked the Dearborn Farmer's Market on Friday. They face Painted and helped later with the Food Truck Rally at the West Dearborn Commons. Adrienne got our Club's participation in this function and they raised \$532.00. Good Job for everyone who helped out on this gig.

Adrienne said that we will be doing a few more of these rallies this summer, I didn't get the dates, but we will need volunteers-so check with Adrienne.

President Linda finally got the meeting started and had "Mo", from the EF Key Club sing "The Star Spangled Banner". He sang a cappella, and did a great job. Then Ray gave the evening's blessing. Al, per usual, got up for the evening's first fine, which was on Prez Linda & the Calendar girls-for not removing their hats during the National Anthem. Renea gave happy bucks for the calamities that befell the kids Circle K & Key Club on Friday. V.P. Adrienne fined Kevin, Larry & Al for not knowing how to turn on a gas grill. Seems after failed attempts by all three of those guys, Adrienne was able to screw the gas valve and get the grill going again.

Again Al got up to fine Dr. Goerke, who was sporting a few bruises on his face. Paul has decided that after he retires from Doctoring, he plans on entering the WWF Senior Cage Match circuit, so he was working out in the ring and caught an accidental elbow.

President Linda introduced Larry Jackson, who gave a interesting historical account of Col. Joshua Chamberlain @ the Battle of Gettysberg. He protected the left flank(Little Round Top) of the Union forces with the 20th Maine. The fighting was hand to hand against the 15th Alabama , and if the 20th position had been overrun , the C.S.A. may very well have won the battle and the Civil War. After the War, Chamberlain received a letter from a soldier from the 15th Alabama , who said he could have killed Chamberlain during the battle, but didn't. Luckily for the Union forces, Chamberlain survived, and went on to win the Congressional Medal of Honor and become Governor of Maine.

Before breaking for Committee meetings and the July Board meeting, Don Killian got up and presented President Linda with her Official Kiwanis Membership Certificate (suitable for framing). He also gave her a decoder ring . Then President Linda wanted to celebrate the June Birthdays. Mike Marxer, Skip Armstrong, and Richard Nettlow requested that all the members get down on one knee and sing "HaPpY BiRtHdAy" to them. Frank Purrington had other ideas, as he had the Kiwanis "Calendar Girls" sing him "Happy Birthday" by themselves (a la the girl groups of the '60s-The Shangri-las, The Cookies, The Shirelles, etc.) I spoke to Frank after the meeting, and he said " I now know what Larry Welk felt like when the Lennon Sisters were singing to him."

Happy 4th of July holiday to everyone.

"No one's gonna give a damn in July if you lost a game in March,"

Earl Weaver

REMEMBER NO MEETING on Wednesday-JULY 5th

July 12-Meeting K of C