

August 17, 2016

"We were not alone" on Wednesday night. It was a packed house for the Dearborn Kiwanis Meeting. Fifty-three paid attendees showed up for fun & fellowship. I haven't seen that many people at one of our meetings, since the old daze at the Elks Club. And there were more women than I have ever seen at one of our meetings.

Besides the usual suspects, we had both the Melvindale and Dearborn Outer Drive Kiwanis Clubs represented. There were plenty of family & friends of members. Mike Marxer brought his brother John, who he introduced as an "alien from Phoenix". Richard Nettlow introduced his Uncle Roger, in from Arizona. Skip Armstrong brought former member Bob Wilson. First V.P. Linda Michalak had a whole table of family relations, including her niece Kristen. Pat Richardson brought two guests from Ann Arbor.

President Don got things started by bringing up Ray Scorbria to sing "GBA" and had Sue Herman give the evening's blessing. Then the fun started. Al Holmes, who also brought his lovely wife, gave a happy dollar for our own Abdullah Hammound, for winning in the August primary. Abdullah chimed in with a happy buck of his own for belonging to the "Greatest Kiwanis Club in the World". That drew gasps from the other club's members. Then Larry Jackson gave happy dollars for having his beautiful wife Cindy in attendance. Cindy Jackson then gave some happy dollars of her own, for being thankful for the thoughts and prayers from everyone, during her recent illness. And she specifically named Treasurer Al Holmes, for being a great neighbor and friend. Jerry Assenmacher then FINED Al, for having a swollen head. Al is going up north with former member and good guy Mark V., who was also at the meeting. Renea "Ms. BIG GOOBER" got up and gave some happy dollars, although a few of them she couldn't remember the reason for donating, and reminded us about the upcoming Peanut Drive. She and "Lil' Goober" Adrienne have done a great job in selecting teams and creating excitement about the Peanut Drive. They handed out peanuts to everyone and are totally committed to making this the best year yet.

Renea states that she wants everyone to collect at least one dollar more than they did last year.

Adrienne, who is celebrating a birthday, threw down against Jerry Assenmacher. Telling Jerry that she and a few of her minions are going to collect more money during the Peanut weekend.

All Jerry said was, "We'll see", as we all know that Jerry works alone and collects ALOT of money every year, evidence being the collection of Peanut awards he has in his possession.

Renea challenged Dr. Paul Goerke to collect more money too. Even though Dr. Paul brought in over \$5,000.00 last year. Me think these ladies are a little "NUTTY".

Norm Record brought a check in from past member Tom Mylar, to get the Peanut season started.

Then it was time for the presentation on UFOs. Probably the reason for the great attendance was the build-up of the speaker, William Konkolesky from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON).

Mr. Konkolesky spoke about four UFO incidents, and for five minutes had a powerpoint presentation displaying visuals of the incidents he was referring to. But somewhere from Area 51, there was a electro-magnetic pulse, which knocked out the computer/projector sync, so the rest of the presentation was only given verbally, which this writer found a bit disappointing.

Anyway, there was a supposed collision of a UFO & jet fighter over Lake Superior back in the '40s. And there was reported UFO activity in the Ann Arbor area back in 1966, which the government said was "Swamp Gas".

Peanut teams have been picked, so check at the next meeting to see which team you are on, and check with Renea about locations for the Peanut sale.

Special Thanks to Ray Scorbora, who sponsored Little League.

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August 24-Inductions, Committee Meetings & Board Meetings

August 31-N.O.A.H. speaker

September 7-PEANUT COOKOUT @ Arienne's-Eats, Cocktails and fun. Pick-up your peanuts

SEPTEMBER 8,9,10-PEANUT SALE

September 21-Installation Party @ Dearborn Country Club-Sign-up at the Treasurer's table-

Good Luck Linda!