

WAVERLY EXCHANGE CLUB

Waverly, Iowa

DATE: Thursday, December 3, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Irv Bettenga, Jim Brandau, Dennis Button, Bill Cashman, Clarence Diekman, Steve Egli, Kevin Fiene, Dewey Hildebrandt, Jim Hurley, Al Janssen, Len Jentz, John Johnston, Jim Lee, Ron Leibold, Louis MacDougall, Jim Maixner, Dan McKenzie, Jeff Meyers, Dennis Peterka, Mike Siberski, Stu Thorson, Bill Westendorf, Roger Wilcox, Steve Willemsen, Rick Willis, Ken Winter

GUESTS PRESENT:

MEETING RECAP:

- President-Elect Button called the meeting to order with prayer (Lee) and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Announcements:
 - We welcomed our newest members through induction and the Covenant of Service: Lou MacDougall, Dennis Peterka, and Jim Maixner
 - A hearty thank you to everyone for a great job with the Money Calendar! We should have a net profit of \$3800-\$4000. A special thank you to Jeff Meyers for all his work in organizing this fundraiser.
 - Reminder of the basketball tournament fundraiser on Saturday, December 12. Pertinent details:
 - Set-up Friday night (December 11) at approximately 9:00 p.m. (after W-SR wrestling meet)
 - Details for Saturday are forthcoming ... contact Dave Arns for volunteer opportunities ASAP
 - We will again be collecting food at our Business Meeting on Thursday, December 10.
 - A discussion of the Book of Golden Deeds ensued. The Executive Committee recommends that nominations include consideration of longevity of service. We currently have two nominations on file: Mike Bock and Mike Dotseth. Members are encouraged to nominate others for consideration. These nominations should be in writing, including an explanation of service and why you're nominating them. Nominations should be given to Denny Button.
- We then had another session of Meet the Members:
 - Bill Cashman
 - Born around the Elma area in a strong Irish Catholic area
 - Ultimately graduated from New Hampton High School
 - Attended UNI for both his bachelors and masters degrees
 - Bill started teaching at North Tama (Traer) in industrial technology, while at the same time beginning a photography business
 - Bill moved to Denver as a media specialist where he spent 10 years
 - Eventually moved to Waverly-Shell Rock High School as a media specialist where he spent 19 years, retiring two years ago
 - Bill enjoys hunting and fishing
 - Married to Sharon and has four children
 - Steve Egli
 - Was born in Ft. Dodge area into a Mennonite family
 - His family moved back to Bremer (mother's home area) to run the family store, where he also attended a local one-room school and country church
 - Is a Yankee, Celtic, Bears, and Hawkeyes fan ... and loves to golf
 - Attended University of Iowa for undergraduate and law school
 - Went to NYC to practice law for a Wall Street firm (eight years)
 - Local law practice as well as serving as a Magistrate
 - Married to Pam and has two children

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- Al Janssen
 - Steve Egli got Al involved with Exchange Club in 1987
 - Born in Butler County, more specifically south Butler County
 - Went to grade school in Austinville and high school in Aplington
 - Joined the National Guard in 1948
 - Eventually attended Iowa State University, majoring in social life (degree in Animal Science)
 - Moved to Waverly in 1973 and worked in the agricultural industry for 30+ years
 - Always had a goal to write a book, which he did in 2000, The Team Behind the Barn (copies still available if interested ...)
 - Enjoys volunteering at various places, e.g., hospice, Bartels, church
 - Al was once mistaken for Bill Cosby ... oh my ...
 - Married for 53 years with three children and six grandchildren

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Tuesday, December 8 -- Executive Committee Meeting @ 7:00 a.m. (Grace Baptist Church)
- Thursday, December 10 -- Business Meeting
- Saturday, December 12 -- Basketball Tournament fundraiser @ W-SR High School
- Thursday, December 17 -- Bill Cashman program / Student of the Month
- Thursday, December 24 -- NO MEETING
- Thursday, December 31 -- NO MEETING
- Thursday, January 7 -- Meet the Members
- Tuesday, January 12 -- Executive Committee Meeting @ 7:00 a.m. (Grace Baptist Church)
- Thursday, January 14 -- Business Meeting
- Thursday, January 21 -- Chad DeBoer program
- Thursday, January 28 -- Steve Egli program

Responsibility for inviting guests/prospective members:

- December – Cashman, Leibold, McKenzie, Meyers
- January – Brandau, Carpenter, Knudson, Westendorf
- February – Meyers, Siberski, Thorson, Vallem
- March – Leonard, Vyverberg, Wilcox, Wilharm
- April – Larson, Williams, Willis, Winter
- May – DeBoer, Hurley, Janssen, Willemsen

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Fiene

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