

WAVERLY EXCHANGE CLUB

Waverly, Iowa

DATE: Thursday, March 24, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Arns, Irv Bettenga, Jim Brandau, Doran Butschi, Bill Carpenter, Bruce Coleman, Ruthie Davis, Gary Duneman, Jim Hurley, Len Jentz, John Johnston, Jim Lee, Ron Leibold, Amy Long, Louis MacDougall, Dan McKenzie, Veronica McKenzie, Jeff Meyers, Kris Meyer, Colleen Miller, Dennis Peterka, Mike Siberski, Heidi Solheim, Megan Sullivan, Jerry Vallem, Kasey Wadding, Bill Westendorf, Roger Wilcox, Steve Willemsen, Gary Williams, Rick Willis

GUESTS PRESENT: Gary Booram (Past President), Bill Cashman (Past President), Chelsie Luhring (Waverly Newspaper), Heartland District President John Wachoff, Thad Wilkens (Waverly- Shell Rock Vocal Music Instructor) and eight of his singers.

MEETING RECAP:

President Elect Dan McKenzie called the meeting to order with prayer (Gary Williams) and the Pledge Of Allegiance.

The Waverly Exchange Club celebrated Exchange's 100 years of serving America. Music was provided by eight Waverly-Shell Rock singers under the direction of Thad Wilkens. Past Presidents Jim Brandau, Jerry Vallem and Gary Williams provided some history of the National Exchange Club and the Waverly Exchange Club.

The first Exchange Club was formed in Detroit Michigan in 1911. Founder Charles Berkey was elected the first national president and Herold Harter was named the national secretary and held this position until 1961. Exchange is the oldest exclusively American service club organization. The first half of Exchange's history concentrated on promoting the new technology of aviation and supporting America through patriotic programs during the Great Depression and World War II. In the latter half of the century, Exchange became more heavily involved with women, children and family, and promoting strong families for a stronger America.

The Waverly Exchange Club was chartered on June 21, 1984. Sunrise Exchange Club – Waterloo was the sponsoring club and the club builders were Dale R. Lampman and Kent R. Warneka. The club chartered with 36 members. There are six charter members still active.

Thank you to all who participated in this celebration.

Announcement – Below is the schedule for the Pizza Ranch Fundraiser on April 5, 2011:

5 to 6 p.m. – Doran Butschi, Lou MacDougall, Heidi Solheim, Kasey Wadding & Gary Williams

6 to 7 p.m. – Irv Bettenga, Ruthie Davis, Veronica McKenzie and Gary Williams

7 to 8 p.m. – Gary Duneman, Amy Long, Kris Meyer, Colleen Miller, Megan Sullivan & Gary Williams

UPCOMING SPEAKER SCHEDULE AND EVENTS:

Thursday, March 31	--	Bill Carpenter, program/Student of the Month
Thursday, April 7	--	Irv Bettenga, program
Tuesday, April 12	--	Executive Committee Meeting (Duos)

Thursday, April 14	--	Business Meeting
Saturday, April 16	--	Family Fun Fair
Thursday, April 21	--	Ruthie Davis, program
Thursday, April 28	--	Chad DeBoer, program/Student of the Month

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Brandau