

WAVERLY EXCHANGE CLUB

Waverly, Iowa

DATE: Thursday, May 6, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Arns, Irv Bettenga, Jim Brandau, Dennis Button, Bill Carpenter, Bill Cashman, Clarence Diekman, Gary Duneman, Steve Egli, Kevin Fiene, Dewey Hildebrandt, Jim Hurley, Al Janssen, John Johnston, Brian Larson, Jim Lee, Ron Leibold, Jason Leonard, Dan McKenzie, Linda Miller, Dennis Peterka, Mike Siberski, Stu Thorson, Jerry Vallem, Kasey Wadding, Bill Westendorf, Roger Wilcox, Clark Wilharm, Steve Willemsen, Gary Williams

GUESTS PRESENT: Larry Prohaska (Waterloo Exchange Club)

MEETING RECAP:

- President Duneman called the meeting to order with prayer (Lee) and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Larry Prohaska from the Waterloo Exchange Club shared information regarding a project of their club. On June 13, The Family, Flag, and Fun will take place at Washington Park in Waterloo. Please contact Larry for additional information.
- A hearty thank you to Clark Wilharm, Steve Willemsen, and Gary Williams for their efforts in another outstanding Tee Off Against Child Abuse Golf Tournament.
- Congratulations to Jim Hurley on being recognized by Wartburg College as an Outstanding High School Teacher. One of Jim's former students (Anna Fagre) nominated him for this recognition. He will be officially recognized at Wartburg's Commencement on Sunday, May 30.
- Reports:
 - Reminder that all Bulletins are posted on our website (www.waverlyexchangeclub.org)
 - The monthly financial statement has also been posted to our website; please review at your convenience. We currently have an \$11,178.63 balance, with disbursements to Dollars for Scholars coming shortly. More information on disbursements will be presented in June.
 - President Duneman presented the following information on upcoming calendar of events for May (full list at the end of this Bulletin):
 - May 13 – Meet at the Law Center for breakfast and program, including presentation of Peace Officer of the Year
 - May 20 – Brad Knudson program / presentations of W-SR A.C.E. Award and Bremwood Student of the Year
 - May 27 – W-SR HS band program will provide entertainment in lieu of a speaker / presentations of W-SR Student of the Year and Proudly We Hail Award
 - May 29 – Assist putting up flags at Harlington Cemetery (9:00 a.m.)
 - May 31 – Meet at Civic Center for Memorial Day Parade (10:15 a.m.)
 - May 31 – Assist in taking down flags at Harlington Cemetery (4:00 p.m.)
 - Programs in June are to be determined
 - Gary Williams gave a brief report on last Saturday's golf tournament fundraiser, including sharing a list of sponsors. This was a record year for this fundraiser! A hearty thank you to everyone.
 - Dennis Peterka and Bill Carpenter visited with the Executive Board on Tuesday about spearheading a community food drive this summer (early June). In visiting with local food bank, summer is a time where donations are usually below need. The concept will be to coordinate efforts for a Saturday morning at Hy-Vee. The plan may include contacting the other service organizations to partner/support this project. More information will be forthcoming.
- Old Business
 - Jim Brandau asked for commitment to support the District Convention, specifically in paying for rooms for Dave Arns and Gary Williams for their involvement in the Youth of the Year.
- New Business

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- We have an opportunity for a one time fundraiser on Saturday, May 15, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., henceforth called "Hurley Rockfest." Jim has need to move gravel/rock from existing landscaping around his home and is willing to make a substantial donation to the club, based on number of folks participating. An official sign-up will be circulated next week.
- A major discussion item at the Executive Committee meeting was a shortfall in budget in covering breakfast expenses. A reminder that we have been operating under the philosophy that our member dues will cover costs for the following things:
 - Member breakfasts
 - Speaker and prospective member breakfasts
 - Website costs
 - Three month free membership for new members
 - Participation costs for One Nation Under God Banquet
 - Costs for Heartland District meetings
 - Coffee mugs for speakers
 - Administrative costs not related to fundraising
 - National dues of \$74 per year
 - District dues of \$30 per year

These costs will amount to about \$9,000 for 2009-2010, with revenue from dues at about \$8400, leaving a shortfall of \$600. We have not opted to use fundraised money to cover costs in these areas, a concept again endorsed by the Executive Committee. Simply put, there are two options in dealing with this shortfall, e.g., raise revenue (dues) or lower expenses. The Executive Committee supports lessening expenses. Motion was made and seconded (Janssen/Bettenga) to not raise dues. Motion failed. Additional discussion occurred on the philosophy of using fundraised money only to support our agencies. The Executive Committee will come back with additional facts and figures for a decision in our June meeting.

UPCOMING SPEAKER SCHEDULE AND EVENTS: (new additions are highlighted)

- Thursday, May 13 -- Peace Officer of the Year presentation (meet at Law Enforcement Center for breakfast, presentation, and program)
- Thursday, May 20 -- Brad Knudson program / W-SR A.C.E. Award / Bremwood Student of the Year Award
- Thursday, May 27 -- W-SR Student of the Year / Proudly We Hail / W-SR music will be the program
- Saturday, May 29 -- Putting up Avenue of the Flags @ 9:00 a.m. (Harlington Cemetery)
- Monday, May 31 -- Memorial Day parade @ 10:15 a.m.
- Monday, May 31 -- Remove flags at Harlington Cemetery @ 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 3 -- to be determined
- Thursday, June 10 -- to be determined
- Thursday, June 17 -- to be determined
- Thursday, June 24 -- to be determined

Responsibility for inviting guests/prospective members:

- May – DeBoer, Hurley, Janssen, Willemsen

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Fiene

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