

WAVERTY EXCHANGE CLUB

Waverly, Iowa

DATE: Thursday, September 10, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Arns, Jim Brandau, Dennis Button, Bill Carpenter, Bill Cashman, Clarence Diekman, Gary Duneman, Steve Egli, Kevin Fiene, Darrell Gerrietts, Jim Hurley, Al Janssen, Len Jentz, John Johnston, Brad Knudson, Brian Larson, Jim Lee, Ron Leibold, Jason Leonard, Dan McKenzie, Jeff Meyers, Mike Siberski, Jerry Vallem, Jere Vyverberg, Bill Westendorf, Clark Wilharm, Gary Williams

GUESTS PRESENT:

MEETING RECAP:

- President Duneman called the meeting to order with prayer (Gerrietts) and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Condolences to Jim Hurley on the death of his father-in-law.
- Congratulations to Jere Vyverberg on being named a finalist for Iowa Superintendent of the Year.
- Officer reports:
 - Treasurer ... presented by Jeff Meyers
 - Current balance of \$6506.38
 - Approved disbursements as follows:
 - ◆ \$1000 per year for three years to support the building campaign at the Northeast Iowa Food Bank
 - ◆ \$1000 to Cedar Valley Friends of the Family
 - ◆ \$1000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters
 - ◆ \$500 to Bremer County Community Partners (formerly Bremer County Prevent Child Abuse)
 - ◆ \$500 to Allison Area Foster Parents
 - The pledge to the Northeast Iowa Food Bank building fund is new line (accounted for in the Contingency line of the budget) while the other four disbursements are out of budgeted line items. In addition, we will be contacting other Cedar Valley Exchange Clubs to "challenge" them to participate/support this cause as well.
 - President ... presented by Gary Duneman
 - Discussion of membership opportunities, e.g., new residents, past contacts, past speakers, past members. Our goal this year is to get to 45 members; we're currently at 38.
 - It would be interesting to tour some of the new facilities in town as part of our program in the morning, e.g., new water plant, hospital, Wartburg, etc.
 - Bremer County Community Partners needs assistance on Tuesday, October 6, from approximately 5:30-6:30 p.m. to assist with children traveling from the Day Care to the Library. Please see Gary for further information.
 - We're planning a couple of additional Executive Committee meetings to get deeper into some issues, e.g., breakfast costs, number of meetings, potentially tiered system for dues, etc. Recommendations will eventually come to the entire club.
 - Cedar Valley Friends of the Family is again in need of some maintenance assistance ... Ron Leibold is chairing this effort.
- Committee Reports
 - 25th Anniversary Celebration ... chair is Jerry Vallem
 - Scheduled on Saturday, September 19 in the Castle Room at Wartburg College
 - \$15 per meal, significant others invited
 - If you haven't yet registered (yes or no), please contact Jerry Vallem

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- Best Dam Run ... chair is Bill Cashman
 - Scheduled for Saturday, October 3
 - Denny Button is in charge of volunteer assistance ... We're going to need a minimum of 16-20 to make things work ... PLEASE SIGN-UP TO HELP EITHER THURSDAY NIGHT (OCTOBER 1) AND/OR FOR RACE DAY (OCTOBER 3)
- Food/Money Collection ... chair is Gary Duneman
 - Looking to donate food or clothes locally each month at the Business meeting
 - Local needs are increasing
 - October will be clothing (please bring anything appropriate to donate to the Thursday, October 8 Business meeting)
- Student Awards ... chair is Dave Arns
 - Been involved with Student of the Month for years
 - Student of the Month has grown in prestige greatly over the years
 - Process starts with a list of seniors ranked by grade point average, and then moves into level of involvement, recent situations, etc. The list is then pared down and sent out to faculty members for input/feedback. The committee then looks at all data and makes selections.
 - Thanks to Dave and his committee for excellent work.
- Money Calendar ... chair is Jeff Meyers
 - Looking for individual members setting personal goals for sales
 - Overall goal is to sell 320 tickets, which is slightly higher than past years
 - There really is untapped possibilities for the Money Calendar
 - Looking to kick-off this year's campaign the first week of October
 - It is important to remember the cause behind what we are doing and to challenge ourselves to benefit those in need
- Firefighter of the Year ... chair is Mike Siberski
 - The October 15 Exchange meeting will be at the Waverly Fire Station (breakfast included)
 - This year we will be honoring the entire department
 - Normal process involves the officers of the fire department selecting one of the members who is recognized in February and then again with us in October

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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| • Tuesday, September 15 | -- | Executive Committee meeting (Grace Baptist Church @ 7:00 a.m.) |
| • Thursday, September 17 | -- | Kevin Fiene program (Website orientation) |
| • Saturday, September 19 | -- | 25 th Anniversary celebration (evening) |
| • Thursday, September 24 | -- | Irv Bettenga program / September Student of the Month |
| • Thursday, October 1 | -- | Member biographies |
| • Saturday, October 3 | -- | Best Dam Run fundraiser |
| • Tuesday, October 6 | -- | Executive Committee meeting (Grace Baptist Church @ 7:00 a.m.) |
| • Thursday, October 8 | -- | Business meeting (clothing collection) |
| • Thursday, October 15 | -- | Meet at Waverly Fire Station for breakfast and program /
Firefighter of the Year presentation |
| • Saturday, October 17 | -- | Social outing (Wartburg football game and "Hurleyfest" following) |
| • Thursday, October 22 | -- | Jim Brandau program |
| • Saturday, October 24 | -- | National Day of Service |
| • Thursday, October 29 | -- | Denny Button program |
| • Tuesday, November 3 | -- | Pizza Ranch fundraiser (5:00-8:00 p.m.) |

Responsibility for inviting guests/prospective members:

- September – Bettenga, Button, Duneman, Egli
- October – Arns, Fiene, Fox, Lee
- November – Gerrietts, Hildebrandt, Jentz, Johnston
- December – Cashman, Leibold, McKenzie, Meyers
- January – Brandau, Carpenter, Knudson, Westendorf
- February – Meyers, Siberski, Thorson, Vallem

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- March – Leonard, Vyverberg, Wilcox, Wilharm
- April – Larson, Williams, Willis, Winter
- May – DeBoer, Hurley, Janssen, Willemsen

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Fiene



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