



KiwanisNewsletter



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Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K

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Club meets at 9:30 a.m. Fridays, St. Mary's Senior Center, 13150 Juneau Blvd., Elm Grove; www.kiwaniselmgrove.org



President's Report by Roy Uelner

Our Golden Kiwanis Club is off to a fast start in 2018. The Key Clubs we sponsor at Brookfield Central and Brookfield East are very active. The Wisconsin International Academy Key Club is in its second year, and we now sponsor the Builders Club at Pilgrim Park Middle School. In addition to supporting these

programs, we have recently made a contribution of \$3000.00 to the Waukesha County Literacy Council from our Foundation to support their programs.

The major activity of the Club in February is the Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, February 16, at Brookfield Central High School. We will be working with the Key Club from Central and several students from the Wisconsin International Academy. This is our major fund raiser of the year and to be successful we need to sell tickets (so bring family and friends) and we must have a successful silent auction and raffle. There will be many opportunities to buy products or gift cards from local businesses that support our Club and to get some great values. Dick Boulay is coordinating this project, and he is furiously working to make it successful. Please ask him what you can do to help!

The Governor of the Wisconsin and Upper Michigan District, Justin Hahn, will visit our Club on Friday, February 9. I hope you will all be there to welcome our Governor who spends an enormous amount of time dedicated to Kiwanis. The subject of his presentation will be "Kiwanis District Goals for 2017-18" in addition to addressing membership problems. At that meeting we will be presenting a check for \$500.00 from our Foundation to support this year's Governor's project which is playground equipment at Camp Wawbeek.

There are Mid-Year Conferences for Kiwanis Clubs in the Wisconsin and Upper Michigan District. The most convenient for us is Saturday February 17 in West Bend. It is a great opportunity to attend training sessions for leaders in our Club. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Our Foundation continues to have our funds grow partly due to the good market conditions. Dick Boulay in his President's report just 13 months ago, referred to the Dow Jones reaching record levels (still under 20,000) and the impact on our Foundation's funds. Today it is over 26,000! But I make no predictions on the future. We have some \$10,000.00 more in our Foundation's funds than a year ago to support our Service programs.

Remember that Valentine's Day is on Wednesday, February 14, which is also Ash Wednesday, so it might be a good idea to celebrate with your Valentine on Friday, February 16, at the Spaghetti Dinner!

Our 4th annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser will be held at the BCHS cafeteria on Friday, February 16, 2018. The dinner planning committee is asking for the help of all club members in making this event a success. See if you can sign up to contact 3 or more local businesses for placing a \$50 ad on the placemat, or donate a prize for the silent auction. A sign-up sheet will be available at each of our Friday morning meetings, listing businesses that have donated in the past; or maybe you know of new ones to contact. Also see if the stores you visit will post our publicity flyer for the public to see. Flyers will be available at our meetings.

Also consider donating a prize for this event, (maybe an unused Christmas present?), or putting together a basket of food, drink, or other items for the silent auction or raffle.

Bunzel's will again provide their delicious spaghetti and meatballs; Fazios will provide gelato dessert. We hope to see you there.



Feb. 12 Don Ralfs

Feb. 14 Paul Cain

Feb. 25 Larry Holloway



Weekly Programs

Jim Fagan, speaker coordinator,

Invocation:

Feb. 2 Invocation: Bill Hume

Speaker: Leah Vukmir

Topic: Thoughts on Current issues

Hospitality: Bob Hutching, Bob Kakscheur

Feb. 9 Invocation: Dave Lang

Speaker: Justin Hahn

Topic: Kiwanis Dist. Goals for 2018 +
Membership problems

Hospitality: Don Ralfs, John Nason

Feb. 16 Invocation: Dick Brunner

Speaker: James Ament

Topic: K-9 policing

Hospitality: Jerry McCormick, Jeff Ranney

Feb. 23 Invocation: Paul Freedy

Speaker: Joe Bast

Topic: The Patriots Tool Box

Hospitality: Harry Schroeder, Dick Seeling