

February 26, 2009

It was a gorgeous spring –like day in Grand Junction on Thursday and all seemed to be well in the neighborhood. Stewart Cruikshank and I waited patiently at the front door to greet members and guests as they arrived for our meeting. Joe Breman was at the table selling those famous and popular raffle tickets. Vikki Bell was the winner of this week's raffle and she now has \$50.00 in her pocket because of it. President Dennis opened our meeting right on time and welcomed everyone. LeAnne Zetmeir delivered a beautiful and warm invocation. Jeannie Thomas played America the Beautiful for us as we sang.

Guests this week: Deanna Colaizzi with her daughter Kianna; Paul Miller with Woody Wilson; Roxie Denning with Carolyn Newman; Christi Pollard with Curtis Moore; and Delta Kiwanis Club Members Richard Simons and board members Tommy, Ken and Lynn.

President Dennis talked about his trip to the Mid-Winter Conference and the focus this year is on membership growth. Awards were presented to Lynne Sorlye and Kristin Winn as members of our distinguished club.

Birthday Club members this week were Lynne Sorlye (February 22nd), Todd Brock (February 23<sup>rd</sup>), Tom LaCroix (February 25<sup>th</sup>) and Terry Wakefield (February 28<sup>th</sup>).

Happy Bucks were fast and furious this week and were paid by Jon Hildebrand, Gary Brown, Henry Langstaff, Larry Beckner, Mike Moran, Bill Byers, Thea Chase, Steve Thompson, Pete Joufflas and Jeannie Thomas. A new feature of "Business Happy Bucks" were paid by Bonnie Pehl-Petersen, Ron Sherman and Patti Hoffman.

Fines this week were dished out to Brad Krebill, Alan Watkins, Roxie Denning, Bob Burger, Bill Byers and Rick Nisley. Thank you very much Fine Master/President Dennis!

Deanna Colaizzi introduced our "Students of the Month". From Fruita Monument High School- Lyndsay Peterson; Central High School- Ellen Garcia; Grand Junction High School- Katie Manahan and Catherine Tress from Palisade High School. This was our first month to recognize "Student of the Month" and it was coincidence that all of the students were young women.

This was our final week for Community Food Bank Drive. Thanks to everyone for their contributions to such a great cause. I am sure that we will hear numbers next week at our meeting. And the winner is.....Community Food Bank!!

Mike Doring sent his thanks to all Kiwanians and Golden K members during our meeting. He also announced that LeAnne Zetmeir is our new Lt. Governor!!! Congratulations, LeAnne.

President Dennis incorporated Vikki Bell in the delivery of the Kiwanis Delta Club Bell. Rick Nisley told us that the new directory is on our website. Does everyone remember how to open the file? Rick then delivered a great Joke of the Day.

Gifts for President Dennis came from Rick Tuma, Nina Anderson, Pete Joufflas, Heather Smith and Randy Kirschbaum. Larry Beckner delivered our "Thought for the Day" and with that we were adjourned.

Until next week.....Roxie Denning, Bulletin Editor