

January 21, 2010

Well, this was our Annual K-Family Meeting and our greeters Paula Voytilla and Bob Stratton did a great job as they welcomed our members and guests. President Mailyn was back and opened our meeting by thanking Vern Gray for filling in for her last week. There is a new grandchild in the D'Aponti Family, you know. Jeanie Thomas played for us as we sang "God Bless America" and Bob Stratton delivered our invocation. Johanna Dunn sold raffle tickets this week and the winner of \$28.00 was Dave Kearsley.

Our guest list was light this week- a friend of Claudia Jackson's from the Salvation Army gave us an update on Claudia's condition after her surgery and the report looks "Good". Bob Burger introduced his wife Carolyn Burger as his guest.

Ed Branson will be celebrating his birthday on January 21st so we wish him a Happy Day!!

Happy Bucks came from Steve Thompson who announced that there will be an "EMERGENCY FAC" on Friday, January 29th to celebrate Vikki's birthday. There will be more details on this later. Deanna Colaizzi is happy that the St Mary's Hospital Gala is over!! Joe Haney announced that today was the anniversary of the start of Kiwanis in 1915 in Detroit!! Rick Nisley invited all to attend the Aktion Club meeting at MDS at 3:30pm.

Joe Breman talked about the situation in Haiti and pledge \$300.00 from the Foundation to be sent to Haiti. He then passed the hat around the room and raised \$1,125.00 from our members. Thank you all for your contribution.

President Mailyn introduced the members of our K-Family at the head table- Lt. Governor LeAnn Zetmeir, Wally Bissinger from Golden K Club, President Linda and Treasurer Ron from the Aktion Club, Kinsey Kimball from Fruita Key Club and Valerie Puckett from Central Key Club. Each of these individuals introduced those in the audience from their clubs and they spoke about what was going on in their clubs.

Marilee Langfitt delivered a great presentation about a project through Mesa Developmental Services called "a Home of Their Own". With the closure of the skilled nursing facility at the Grand Junction Regional Center there is a real need for homes for the individuals that lived within this campus. Three new group homes are being built that will be the new home of 24 individuals and MDS is in charge of this project. Two of the homes will be on Orchard Mesa and the third home will be in Fruitvale. The floor plan for these homes is very impressive and will accommodate the residents and their needs. For more information about "a Home of Their Own" please visit their website at www.mesadev.org and to help with the project call Marilee at 256-8640 or marilee@mesadev.org

Presidential Announcements:

Community Food Bank Food Drive ends January 28th

Mid Winter Conference in Longmont Colorado – February 19th-22nd.

Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas- June 24th-27th- Register before January 31st to save on those fees!!

Steve Thompson delivered our Joke of the Day and Lynne Sorlye gave us our Thought for the Day.

With that President Milyn adjourned our meeting.
Until next week.....Roxie Denning, Bulletin Editor