

January 5th, 2012

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Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction –Vikki Bell -President
Weekly meeting every Thursday, noon at Two Rivers Convention Center

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Let's pretend it's January 5, 2000 and President Rich Emerson opens our meeting by welcoming all members and guests. Rich introduces Walt Smith at the piano who is filling in for our sweet Jeanie Thomas. Jeanie is recovering from carpal tunnel surgery, you know. Bill Byers and Rich Emerson lead us in song. Rich leads us through the pledge and then begins to roam the room asking for guests. Jeff Franklin was the first to introduce his guest Christy Garcia. Christy has completed an application and should be inducted soon. Lynne Sorlye introduced her guest Rob Burkey. Rob was inducted on Thursday by Larry Beckner as our "Newest Kiwanian". Joe Breman introduced his bride, Jill Breman as his guest today. As President Rich (remember we are pretending that it is the year 2000) met each guest he interviewed them. Nice touch, Rich☺

Our thanks to greeters Lynne Sorlye and Darlene Hallmark, Raffle Ticket Salesman Vern Gray, Sheriff Wes D'Aponti, Jokester Amy Rogers, Thoughtful Bob Burger and Erick Field for December Board Meeting report for their contributions to our meeting this week. My personal thanks to Jeff Freeland for selling me the winning raffle ticket, to Vikki Bell for drawing the winning raffle ticket and to Vern Gray for announcing the winning number that just happened to be mine!!! Now I have \$36 new dollars in my wallet!!

At this point President Vikki has gained control of her meeting and we go into Happy Bucks ☺ Vikki Bell was happy about her visit to the Rotary Club's website, that her kids and grandkids were here for Christmas and that Bill Byers sent her a text message from the Rose Bowl Parade. Noreen Faber was happy that revenue goals were met at the DoubleTree for 2011. Orville Boge's Great Grandson was in Grand Junction over the holidays and that is a lot to be happy about. Woody Walcher had a blast at the New Year's Eve Bash with Chubby Checker in concert. Gene Garl had a great jacket from California that he got at the Laker's Championship games and he wishes the Broncos well this Sunday. Amy Rogers was in attendance of this week's Grand Junction Lions Club meeting and is happy to be a Kiwanian. Nina Anderson is glad that her Camry has been replaced and about her road trip with her parents. Jeff Gumone is "Kid Happy" and Rick Tuma is happy about the 40 years that he has been married to Jan. Mike Moran's happiness was about the great football season and Mike Doring spoke about Tuma's 40 years with Jan. All of January's happy bucks and fines will be going to Lt. Governor LeAnn Zetmeir's Governor Campaign.

Tom Sheldon was with us this week with "News, Weather & Sports". If you haven't see Tom yet, you really are missing out.

Past President Rich Emerson presented our program this week. He was our Kiwanian President in 2000 and his presentation was a great lesson. It is important to remember the names Alan Browning from Ireland, Joseph Prance from Detroit, Don Johnston (very important name to remember) and Harry Young. Past President Rich taught us how the name Kiwanis came to be. Thanks, Rich for all you do for our great club.

Upcoming Club Business:

Thursday, January 12, 2012- St. Mary's Blood Drive from 11:30-1:30.

Friday- January 13, 2012- FAC at Cruiser's on Horizon Drive.

Thursday, February 16, 2012- Charter Dinner celebrating our 75th Anniversary and Kiwanis Citizen of the Year.

February 17 – 19, 2012- Kiwanis Mid-Winter Conference in Longmont Colorado.

Saturday, April 21, 2012- Kids Against Hunger Food Packing Event, Kiwanis International One Day of Service.

Bill Byers and Gene Garl both went to California during the holidays. Bill returned with a pin of the Kiwanis Rose Bowl Parade Float and Gene brought back a pair of Laker's gloves and a ball cap "Crown" for President Vikki. Good Job, Guys.

And with that we were adjourned. Until next week.....Roxie Denning, Bulletin Editor