

## Kiwanis Newsletter- Lunch on January 31, 2017

AND

## The Night Meeting on February 1, 2017

President Laurie opened the meeting with the pledge and Pastor John Mulvihill gave the prayer.

We had no guests. Instead of a speaker, President Laurie passed around a survey asking everyone their thoughts about adding new members to Kiwanis, as well as retaining current members. We are starting a membership committee with Laurie and Ashley Meagher as the co-chairs of the committee, so let us know your ideas and suggestions!

We all sang Happy Birthday to Alan Thibeault! His birthday is Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.

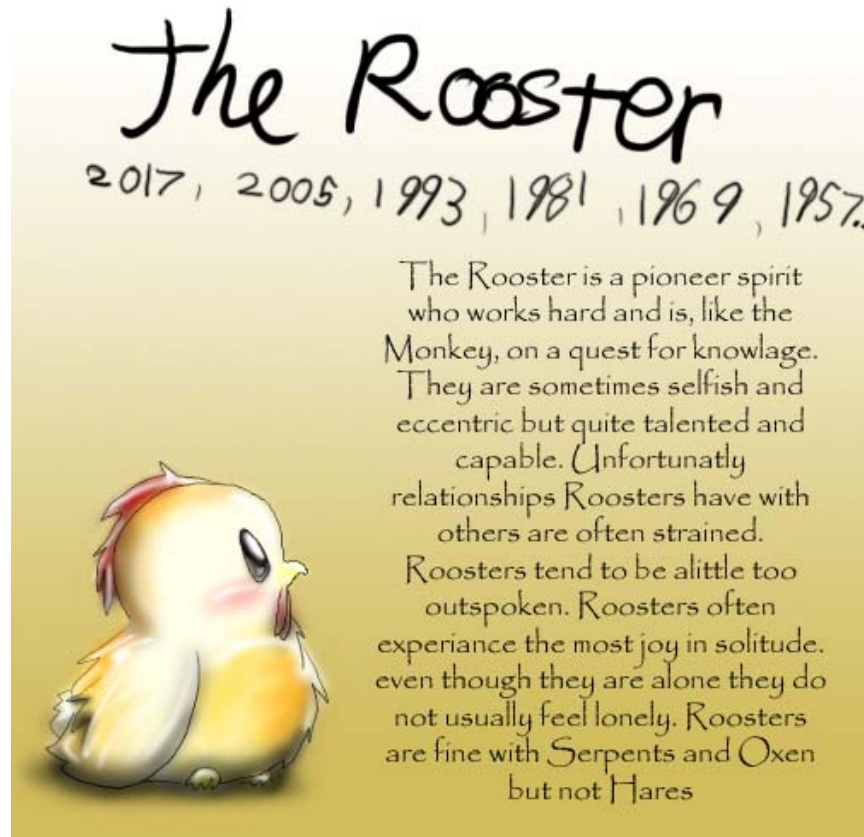


Doc Comeau personally sang Happy Birthday to Ellen Lafavour since she missed last week's meeting (Ellen had a scared look on her face afterwards so not sure if she liked Doc's singing voice).



Lunch today was appropriate since last week was the start of Chinese New Year (I believe most of us were unaware of this until Myrna made the announcement.)

*It's the Year of the Rooster -here's some info to enlighten you*



- Tossed Salad with the always favorite Mozzarella Balls
- White and Shrimp Fried Rice
- Beef Stir Fry
- Chicken Mediterranean
- Egg Rolls
- Berries on a Biscuit and Apple Pie for dessert

Irene is selling Kiwanis polo shirts. They are \$38.00 and you can e-mail her if you would like to buy one.

If anyone would still like to buy an ad for the Pancake Breakfast, please e-mail Kay Maurice with your logo and size. We are getting close to the deadline!

The night meeting on Wednesday inducted two new Kiwanis members: Deb Sauer and Natalie Fiore.

*(keep reading for more info on the Night Meeting – there are photos, too)*

## **Happy Dollars \$\$\$**

We had a lot of happy dollars regarding the Super Bowl this Sunday. Patriots fans include Dick Moody, Andrew Patton, Nancy Hathaway, Laurie Pellerin, and Susan Rogers. Carmine was happy, not only about the Patriots, but also the Celtics. Jim Tallo is pumped that in only 13 days, all pitchers and catchers report

to spring training. Nancy Petronio is happy to be attending the YMCA Dance on Saturday night. Pat Allen was happy to just be at a Kiwanis meeting again. We had mixed reviews on the snow that arrived on Wednesday. Doc Comeau and Alan Hartnett were both happy it was going to snow, while Alan Thibeault was not so happy.

*Here Doc is NOT SO happy that Barbara fined him for a comment he made – which I can't remember, BUT he paid up – at least I think he did!*



Alan Hartnett thought the snow might clean the air of all the germs (I wonder if it worked?) Ellen Lafavour is happy that Jan Tipert is feeling better, and Sandy Warren was happy she had a great Caribbean vacation. Myrna Fearer is happy to be getting rid of the squirrels in her attic, while Frank Herschede is happy his Cincinnati Bearcats keep stealing recruits away from rival Ohio State.

*Here's Frank being happy on winning the Free Lunch!*



Ellie Hersey is just happy! Sue Tagg is happy for two reasons: Callahan had her day of beauty and she's also excited about the Super Bowl. Kay Maurice is happy that Pat aka Peggy got through the Fine Master again without a badge (Doc was slacking on the job Tuesday), and last but not least, Barb Remon feels if you're happy and you know it-clap your hands!

Carmine and Kay were both unlucky with the cards. **WE WILL HAVE A WINNER NEXT WEEK! WE ARE DOWN TO THE LAST 2 CARDS! It's over \$400 if you want to come and try your luck!**

All ladies were lucky car wash winners: Sandy Warren, Nancy Petronio, Sue Rogers and here's the last winner of a car wash ticket.....



Don't Forget: 12<sup>th</sup> Annual YMCA Winter Dance is this Saturday from 7-12. Dinner will be catered by Fresh Food Catering for \$50 a person and dancing will be to the music of Wildfire. If you can't make it but would like to donate a bottle of wine for the auction-drop it off at the Y.

Have a fabulous week, Ashley Meagher (our newest Scribe)

**AND NOW ON TO THE 'NIGHT MEETING' NEWS.....**



## Kiwanis Night Meeting 2/1/17

Laurie started us in the pledge and Gardner provided the blessing. Then birthdays for the month of February were announced (Alan Thibeault on the 4<sup>th</sup>; Maureen Bernard & Peter Hjorth on the 6<sup>th</sup>, Marty Jarmoc on the 11<sup>th</sup>, and Ellie Hersey on the 26<sup>th</sup>.) And for those in attendance, we all broke out in song for Paula Gates (birthday on 8<sup>th</sup>) and Gayla Bartlett (birthday on the 19<sup>th</sup>)!

Guests included Tammy (sister of Annamary Geist – *It's My Heart* President) and little Sammy – our favorite poster child for *It's My Heart*.

As Chair of the Restaurant Raffle fundraiser, Joe Flaherty updated us on 'where it's at'. Restaurant gift cards are coming in – and we thank you - but we can still use more. Kay will send out a donation letter for you to give your favorite restaurant in hopes of them donating a \$50 gift card to this fundraiser. We will draw it at the 'Membership and 5<sup>th</sup> Year Night Meeting Anniversary' party on Wed. May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mark Your Calendar!



The next first order of business was inducting our two newest members in Deb Sauer and Natalie Luca Fiore. Both ladies were well known to many of the members in attendance. Irene Kucinski (for Deb) & Frank Herschede (for Natalie) were their sponsors. 'WELCOME' TO DEB AND NATALIE!!!



After dinner Tammy spoke about *It's My Heart* and Sammy's story about being born with a half a heart and how all the doctor's said he 'wasn't going to make it'. Needless to say, Sammy is now a bright-eyed, active six year old. *It's My Heart* has an annual Walk during Family Festival and all the monies raised goes towards helping the families who come to Boston for their child's surgery – paying for parking and meals, etc. They bond with these families – giving them hope and getting it in return. During National Heart Week, Chic-A-Filet is donating 20% of their sales to *It's My Heart*. And they are happy to take donations any time!

Our last order of business was putting together bags for the children who find themselves under the care of *It's My Heart*. We had donations from a lot of members – **so thank you from the bottom of OUR heart for your generosity:** Nancy Hathaway (East Boston Savings), Andrew Patton (Align Credit Union), Peter Hjorth dental, Alex Kurey (Herzog dental), Laurie Pellerin, Nancy Petronio, Peggy & Jesse James, June Guidara, Deb Sauer, Frank Herschede, Doug Rendell, Dan & Janet Bennett, & Gayla Bartlett. (*If I missed anyone, I apologize, it's was a WILD.... yet fun night!*)



Have a great week, everyone!

