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Waterloo Exchange Club

Closed Business Meeting – We took care of some of the nitty-gritty stuff associated with keeping the club functioning effectively as a organization.

President Droste gave a brief overview of the new budget. She reported that a reduction of approximately \$3,500 in income from the Home Show this year has caused some prioritization and realignment of the funds among the committees and projects. The leadership is making a serious effort to maintain the current level of spending in support of our work to reduce child abuse.

President Droste is setting aside some time in each business meeting this year for an "Educational Spot" where we will learn more about what the various committees are doing and insights into the club's culture (which was the focus today).

Don Faris presented information about the "protocol" as Don put it, of our meetings. Don gave us the background and purpose for the physical arrangement of the meeting room as well as traditions we observe, such as wearing the name badges, the hand-shake we greet each other with and the drawing of names for leading the pledge and prayer.

Wanda Martin announced the formation of a Friendship Committee that will visit club members who are sick or shut-in. The visitations are to be done on a weekly basis and Wanda plans to provide feedback to the membership on our folks that are ailing. She asks that we contact her when we become aware of situations that the committee should know about. Dave Sasse and Jackie Wagner are working with Wanda in this effort. They could probably use some more help. Contact Wanda if this kind of service appeals to you. *Editor's note: Isn't it great to be a part of an organization where folks care enough about each other to do this kind of thing? Thank you Wanda, Dave and Jackie (and everyone else who gets involved) for doing this kindness. I'm sure it will mean a great deal to the folks you visit.*

Dick King reported on the completion of the river cleanup project the Ecology Committee made us aware of recently. The project was a big success. Five Exchangites participated, deemed a good turn-out on such short notice.

Larry Prohaska, Chairman of the Family Picnic Committee, announced the family picnic will take place on Wednesday, August 12th. Larry asks that we all reserve that date and plan to be there. More details will emerge as we go along.

Guests – Mike Knapp invited Deb Shoopman as his guest. Deb and Mike are teaming up again this year on RAGBRI for a fundraiser to benefit the Grin and Grow Day Care. Deb is a member of the Sunrise Exchange Club.

NEXT MEETING LOGISTICS

Program : Exchange Convention Update
Prayer : Kathy McGowan
Pledge : Tom Jennings
Menu : TBA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Jul 20: Exchange Convention Update
Jul 27: Waterloo Airport Overview

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH

The Elks Club management is working on the menu currently. We will publish the schedule as soon as it's received.—Charlie

Order Chef Salad one week in advance

BIRTHDAYS

Jul 13: Dave Beaty

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"An optimist is someone who falls off the Empire State building and, after 50 floors, says 'so far, so good!'" - Author Unknown