

The Dearborn Kiwanians were in rare form on Wednesday night, perhaps it was the break in the weather that brought out the smiles. Maybe it was the evening's speaker, but whatever it was, it provided for a good meeting.

President Manseau welcomed everyone and gave his usual remarks of reminding everybody where they were and what day it was (Dearborn Kiwanis meeting, on Wednesday, February 19, 2014). Then "Sugar Ray" took the microphone and belted out "God Bless America", Norm "L.P." Record gave us grace.

Mike "Zoot" Suiter gave the first happy dollar "For paying taxes". Damon Marxer arrived from Colorado, and was immediately fined for being late to the meeting. Damon's watch is set to Mountain Time. Mike Marxer gave happy dollars for doing domestic work at home (changing sheets), Ray gave happy dollars as did Albert Holmes.

Tommy "The Googs" Gillespie shocked the multitude by giving a happy dollar for Adirenne's guessimate of his age.

Seems Tom is younger than he acts. Then it was time for dinner. Al fined the entire club, except for Bob Itin and Ted Daykin, for not asking either of those guys to sit at their tables or breaking bread with Bob & Ted at their table #2. Now I always thought that you had to be invited by one of those guys to sit with them, as they hold most of the wisdom in the club and don't let just anyone dine with them at table 2.

Since it was Committee night, we had one of our own as the evening's speaker. That speaker was Charles M. Armstrong, better known to all as "Skip". Skip gave a interesting life saga, from Herman Gardens to Royal Oak, summers up at Harsen's Island. MSU, WKNR, Steel Testing Labs, with voyages around the Great Lakes, and a wonderful family. Skip has been a Dearborn Kiwanian since 1981 (same class as Tom McDonnell) and has worked on our "Kiwantalk" program for 20 years. A very good program in the "Meet your fellow Kiwanians" series, hosted by first V.P. Mike Marxer.

Prez Kerry kept us up to date on the K of C hall, and their plans, and invited everyone to next week's board meeting.

Ray Scorbora is lining up a small bus for the Baseball game on June 4th. Frank Purrington asks that if you plan on attending the Tiger game (he'll have a sign-up sheet next week) that you get him \$60.00 (includes box seat ticket, parking and pre-game dinner & drinks) as soon as possible, because the Tigers now require a \$400.00 deposit to hold tickets for group sales.

Committee meetings took place, results will be given at next week's board meeting.

Moving one day closer to Spring,  
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