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Kewanee Key Club
Thursdays at 7:30 am
Petersen Auditorium

Wethersfield Key Club
Tuesdays at 7:30 am
Mr. Clark's Room

Central Builders Club
Every Wed. but 3rd at 7:30 am
Room 317

Visitation Builders Club
2nd & 3rd Wed. at 11:35 am
Spanish Room

Central K-Kids
1st and 3rd Wed. at 7:30 am
Library 2nd Floor

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One Can Make a
Difference

Reminder-Talk to
someone this week
about Kiwanis.

Brock entertained with piano music. Lynn F led the meeting to order & led in the Pledge & in singing. Dave K offered prayer.

Guests: Visitation Builder Clubber Maddie Segura-working on giving to St. Jude \$1,284.00, looking to do some more things for the community. KHS Key Clubbers Victoria Walters & ___ Salano-working on Mother's Day buttons & electing new board. WHS Key Clubbers Alexi Strandberg & Ali Stern & Becca Fisher-working on Relay for Life Team.

Announcements: Mike Y announced the Kiwanis One Day of Service coming up. Sign-up sheets going around for morning, afternoon or all day. Please put your telephone number so we can coordinate 4/10/10. Effort to eradicate as many graffiti images as needed. Hope the entire organization gets behind this. Appreciate your help. Membership committee met today. Want you to bring prospective new members (bring names, addresses, telephone numbers). We'll make the contact with your help. Lynn F 90th anniversary of Moline Club May 6 & 7. Featuring the International Kiwanis President. Let Gordon know if you are interested in attending. Board meeting next week at 3/31/10 on 11:00 a.m. The FUMC.

Getting to Know Your Kiwanis Members: Mike Y presented. Year-23; Food-all has been good, steak when we hit 100 members; Hobbies- fishing, hunting, golf, travel; Color-blue; Movies-Mr. Roberts-Bridge over the River Kwai; Vacation Spot-HI; Project/Event-any service project; Surprise-on Church Council, Treasurer of the Elks, Treasurer of W/K Sportmans Club, volunteer at the Food Pantry weekly – hope I leave this world in better shape than I found it – Kewanee Veterans Council; K-Family Members-kids & grandkids in K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club-Julie F, Amanda B, John B, Nate F, Mitch F, Adam B, Kyle B, Zack F, Drew T, Cole V, Katie V – 11. Gordon Vickrey.

Attendance: Steve Lo reported we had 30 members, 4 Key Clubbers, 2 Builders Clubbers, 2 speakers. For a total of 38. Wayne B signed in 3 weeks in a row.

Happy Dollars: Roger M-\$1 forgot; Steve M-\$1 Self-Defense; Brock T-challenge, if we hit 80 members, Brock will buy steaks again (we have 71 now); Mike Y-\$1 sad to lose Emmy Hawkins & \$2 Illini & program; Wayne B-\$1 Gordon Vickrey happy \$; Paul D-\$1 Wednesday; Gordon V-\$2 golf course opened today, surprised to see Wayne here, Spring on its way (we hope so); Dee E-\$2 program & guest; Brock T-\$4 from Steve Lo-this Sunday at 2:00 pm is the Palm Sunday Community Service with 2 numbers by all the choirs combined, guests, Wednesday, 9 months from today is Christmas Eve; Everett W-\$2 program today, wasn't here last week but happy about a great Pancake Day, it went well; Margaret G-KH Golf Outing coming up 6/7 – appreciate support; Jennifer J-\$2 program & start of HS baseball season; Emily R-\$2 her guests from Vis; Mike Zurell – happy Emmy Hawkins was able to see son move in before passing; Claudia B-\$2 program, spring; Lynn F-\$3 program, spring, Brock's challenge; Julie L-\$1 program. \$30.

Program: Claudia B read the word "VERDANT" & Julie L introduced our speakers, Executive Director Mike Zerull & Board Member Linda Trostle from Abilities Plus. Community Garden behind Abilities Plus started by Board Member Linda Trostle (Mike's his favorite board member since Randy C left the room). This area was a former hay field on 10 acres & they wanted to do something other than grow hay. Last year they started with just a couple of plots that people in the community rented. They'd like to have many more people participate this year. Liberty & victory gardens of WW I and WW II. Some schools, senior centers, etc., have garden space.

Started with a storage shed. Tenants can lock up their tools. There is a tank that can provide water. The rent is \$20 but they expect the tenants to take care of their plots, keep them weed free, & respect others plots. Can be a gathering place for the neighbors. Can be a place to just relax & enjoy nature. Some like to plant extra so they can share & it has been suggested to share with the Food Pantry. Rain last year delayed the season. Hopefully it will be plowed in the next week of so. Everyone who came last year seemed to enjoy it. The Abilities Plus clients even had a plot which gave them good exercise & experiences. Claudia donated the tomato plants for the clients.