

Here is a summary of yesterday's meeting Thursday May 4, 2017:

- Editor's note; it is quite evident by our busy May schedule that our club and our community are alive and vibrant and filled with people who actually care! Glad to be a part of it all!
- Ken's friend, Ari, joined us at our meeting yesterday for the second time. He likes what our club stands for and what we do for/in the community. Hopefully, he considers joining our club. Of course, if he shows up for one more meeting, he is in!
- Both yours truly, Barbara McNeil and Dave Peterson along with Dave's Mom, Moira and Katelyn represented our Club at last weekend's Allston/Brighton Kiwanis Club's Annual Kiwanis Star Charity event. Several talented acts entertained through us all throughout the evening and host, Dan Andleman was a hit as usual. My understanding is that the club was as successful as they were with their record year in 2016. Congratulations to our brothers in arms in Allston/Brighton!
- Next week, we will be having our meeting in the Bierstube at Edelweiss Village at the Deutsches Altenheim. Our meeting will start at 12:15pm and we will be having Chinese Food per the request of President Sean! We look forward to spending time with good friend and longtime Kiwanian, Henry Winkler. We will be having the long awaited drawing for our Progressive Raffle at the meeting as well. The pot is over \$300! Hope to see a good crowd.
- We have two foursomes planned for the upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Deutsches Altenheim Golf Classic, this year at the Franklin Country Club. Yours truly along with Jim Hennigan and two guests will make up the first team. Ken Cunningham can use one more golfer to complete his foursome. Let us know if you are interested.
- We are looking to put together at least one foursome for the annual YMCA Golf Tournament scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>. Let us know if you are interested!
- It was great to see Greg Karr at Thursday's meeting. Greg has recently retired as CEO of the Deutsches Altenheim, but is staying with the German Centre until at least July to help organize the ongoing renovations at the facility. We all hope Greg decides to keep involved with our club when he starts his new retired lifestyle. Maybe Greg can bring newly appointed CEO, Idriz Limaj to one of our meetings in hopes of keeping the Altenheim involved with our club and the community!
- President Sean and John Sullivan reminded us that The Chef's Table Foundation is teaming up with the Corrib Pub this year for the Corrib's annual Road Race. This year's event will take place on June 4<sup>th</sup>. A donation of \$130 towards the event will cover your entry fee to the race, get you an official event T-Shirt, Food & Drink and much more. Not to mention supporting the Chef's Table Foundation. I am sure Joe will have more information for us at future meetings. Log onto the Chef's Table Foundation Web Site for more information as well, [www.chefstablefoundation.org](http://www.chefstablefoundation.org).
- Alan MacKinnon updated us on two upcoming events at the Gardens Cemetery. The Annual Mother's Day event is taking place on Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup>. Potted Plants will be available for visitors to the Cemetery that day. Food and refreshments will be available as well. Also, the Cemetery is currently planning their annual Memorial Day event. Alan has asked us again to consider volunteering for the event this year. Help is needed to park vehicles and serve food among other things. Many of us have already planned to help.
- Two important events to consider on Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> are the Roslindale Day Parade Event, for which we have some tickets available. Sean Brennan and Beth Arienti plan on representing our club at this event. Also on May 12<sup>th</sup>, the YMCA will be dedicating the Community Room at the Y in honor of Mary Mulvey Jacobson. We hope to have a few representatives from our Club

Available for this special event as well. Again, look for details on both our Web Site and the YMCA Web Site.

- Don't forget, our club purchased 10 tickets for the Friday May 19<sup>th</sup> event in memory of Judy Leon. We have them at the Y.
- We will be having a guest speaker on Thursday May 18<sup>th</sup>. Grace McMann, Reach Out and Read Coordinator from the Greater Roslindale Medical and Dental Center will join us to update us on their Reach out and Read program for local kids.
- The Annual Taste of West Roxbury is scheduled for Thursday May 18<sup>th</sup>. You know where to go for details.
- Our annual Charity Softball Game for the Jason Robert's Challenger League is scheduled for Tuesday May 16<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Thursday May 18<sup>th</sup>. We will be playing at Jason Robert's Field at the Ohrenberger School on West Boundary Road in West Roxbury. Flyers will be available soon. Start contacting your ringers NOW!!
- Look for our newly appointed Kiwanis Auction Committee Chairs to be scheduling meetings in the near future. Paul Murphy has started organizing his committee and a time and place will be confirmed soon.
- Our Trivia Night at Brannelly's Pub in Roslindale has been confirmed for June 8<sup>th</sup>. Cost to enter will be \$10 per person with teams of 6. Let's start putting together a couple of Kiwanis teams!! Let me know if you are interested!
- President Sean is looking into scheduling another charity event for our club. He will be scheduling an event at the Victory Grill in Dedham on September 22<sup>nd</sup> with entertainer Jim Plunkett. More to come on this fun event!

WOW! I believe that is all for now.

**Bob McNeil**