



Andy Reports on International Convention

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Terrific Kids
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GUESTS - None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Prez. Dr. Kevin – Tallman Arts Festival – Sunday August 6th 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. We need more members to sign up.

Fall Golf Outing September 9th at Glen Erin – fun for the whole family. The outing is open to the public, and is a 4 person scramble including men's divisions and mixed divisions.

DRAWING - Ben Coopman won for the second week in a row. His luck ended there, with the winning card being the Ace of CLUBS. Double close!!

HAPPY DOLLARS - President Kevin was happy because there would be no Ed Pulliam at the meeting!?!?

David O' Leary was happy to read in the Kiwanews about the three generations of Damrow's working on our Pancake Day.

Editor's note: Dr. Jack asked that we mention that while he was happy for the photo, but they got quite a bit wrong with the caption. The good doctor reports that while he did work the first Pancake Day, he was a new member then, and was not the organizer of the event.

Dr. Jack also didn't want to be credited as the member who has attended the most meetings. I assured him that I believed that of our present members, I thought he had that honor.

PROGRAM

Andy Frelich, our club delegate to the Kiwanis International convention in Montreal, Canada reported on the conference and his travel adventures.

There were some 1,948 clubs represented by 3,628 registered delegates from across the globe. Nelson Tucker of California was selected to be the new international President. He will be followed by newly elected President-elect, Dave Curry of Montana. President Tucker set a goal to grow Kiwanis membership world-wide to ONE MILLION by the Kiwanis' centennial anniversary in 2015. There's a whole lotta growin' that's got to go on before then!

Andy attended several educational sections on such topics as explaining death to a child and illuminating on the Kiwanis International liability insurance coverage for the organization and its individual clubs. We are very fortunate to have such comprehensive and all-inclusive coverage, thereby avoiding each club having to buy its own.

And then there was Andy's version of Chevy Chase's "European Vacation", but in Canada! Besides missing their out-bound flight, Andy and his significant other Michele had to stay overnight in Chicago. No hotels could be found, so they trekked back from downtown to the airport and found airport benches till morning.

The TSA folks at the airport didn't take kindly to a guy who was carrying \$2,700 in cash (all twenties too) all rolled up in his pants pocket, so the next saga began. After a thorough search and sniff and pat-down, the two were on their way. Can you say VISA or MASTERCARD?

The Montreal hotel proved to be farther from the airport than envisioned by our travelers (30 instead of one mile). Then they picked a hotel with two franchises within a few miles with very similar names. Must be the French Canadian's? Nothing a cab ride couldn't fix!

Forget the evening's social activities that were prepaid and bought by our conventioners! Yep, they couldn't pick up their tickets 'cause the registration booth was closed for the day by the time they unscrambled the hotel mess. Even after breaking into registration, no tickets were to be had. Roll out the Canadian beer!

Enter a minor medical emergency for Michele. Ever try to find a doctor in Canada, home of socialized medicine in North America, if you're an American??? What's Blue Cross, Blue Shield there? Andy turns out to be a heck of a barterer and gets the doctor to settle for American cash and at far less than the published exchange rates. Can you say, no income taxes on this one?

Scenery and architecture in the city were wonderful, but there is no place like home! Oh yea, illicit drugs are plentiful and heap there too! D.A. O'Leary is cautiously optimistic about knowing this data.

Welcome back Andy and Michele!

Thanks to Ben Coopman for taking the notes. Members having information for future newsletters can email editor@janesvillekiwanis.org.
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