

February 11, 2015

It was a cold and dark evening and the only creatures lurking in Hemlock Park were coyotes looking for food, Kiwanian's looking for a good time and FBI agents looking for those crafty terrorist's Fox News tells us are hiding behind every bush and tree. I sure hope the coyotes found something to eat, I doubt seriously if the FBI caught anything more dangerous than a head cold, but I do know the Kiwanian's found a good time.

It was our annual Hemlock Cabin cook-out and a crowd of 25 turned out for fun, friends and fellowship. George Darany, our state rep in Lansing was the guest speaker and gave a great presentation on what's happening, and most importantly what's not happening in Lansing. His take on the upcoming vote for raising the sales tax to 7% was informative and refreshing in its candor. He spent at least half the time answering questions, some very tough ones, and gave honest answers, even if they were not particularly popular answers. He finished with a rousing round of applause and was rewarded with a hot burger, some killer baked beans and a cold beer.

Normally the cooking duties at Hemlock are handled by Skip Armstrong and Frank Purrington, but Skip is still on the mend from his penis reduction surgery and Frank is in Vegas fitting showgirls for the new "Nipple Cams" Sony is developing for the European market so Adrienne and Wes Zain stepped up and handled the sub-zero cooking duties. Adrienne added hot dogs to the mix and there was plenty of food for everyone.

We rarely give thanks to the man that organizes the most important component of our cook-outs so I for one would like to give a great big "Well done" to Jerry Assenmacher, the keeper of the Kiwanis Club's Traveling Bar. Jerry keeps the bar completely stocked, delivers it to each cook-out then stores and restocks it till the next cook-out. And this from a man that doesn't even drink, that's kind of like having a vegan cook burgers for us.

Also thanks to Cindy Jackson for the delicious homemade cookies she made for the occasion. Lastly thanks to the "Homecoming Committee" that came early to set the place up and cleaned things up at the end, Linda Michalek, Larry Jackson, Mike Marxer, Ray Scoboria and Mark Vitagliano.

#### Up-coming Events:

February 18<sup>th</sup> – Its half way through winter and Brian from "Brian's Body Shop" will be here to give us tips on getting that "Swim Suit Body" we all need for the upcoming "Summer Hook-up Season". Particular attention will be given to unsightly hair removal, body sculpturing and highlighting those extra special tattoos.

February 25<sup>th</sup> – Kerry Manseau will read us excerpts from his soon to be published book, "Fifty Shades of Paisley", the story of a love starved prison worker who finds fulfillment on cell block #4. Committee meetings to follow.

March 4<sup>th</sup> – Renan Ludscher will be bringing an expert on Social Security from the Hantz Group to speech and answer questions for us. Board of Directors Meeting to follow.

March 11<sup>th</sup> – Lilly Baumgartner from the "Angels of the Night" Garden Club will give us tips on preparing our yards for the upcoming spring planting season. Soil preparation, pruning and proper spacing for "Honolulu Gold" marijuana plants will be discussed.

I'm only responsible for what I say not for what you understand...

Love & Kisses  
Babydoll