

Vistas and Galleries,

What a meeting. First up was Ray to sing "God Bless America", then Norm Record gave "Thanks". Then it was time to eat. Mike Suiter gave a happy \$ for getting recognized before Al Holmes. Al gave a happy \$, and then VP Mike Marxer gave a happy \$. Adrienne, who was absent last week, showed up in a large truck, although it wasn't the Boars Head meat wagon.

Grand Leader Kim Manseau ILL, started talking about the date (January 29, 2014) and why we were there, then segwayed into a dissertation about memory loss and alzimers, and I can't remember what else he talked about. Jerry, then reminded El Presidente, that he was the evening's speaker and Kerry was cutting into the program. V.P. Mike Marxer, in introducing Jerry as the speaker and thanked him for re-arranging his schedule to talk to us. It seems that Jerry was supposed to speak a couple of weeks ago, but got bumped by another presenter without complaining. Upon the introduction, the audience broke into the "JERRY-JERRY-JERRY" chant, which they either learned sitting in on the "Jerry Springer show" or attending a "Grateful Dead" concert.

Jerry, in his 1040 tie, talked about taxes. Some of the quotes this writer heard, "Taxes are out of control" and the "IRS isn't stupid". All in all a very good program.

Norm Record then got up to remind us that we need new members, and that we need to get the members we do have to attend our Wednesday night meetings. He also talked about bullying. It seems that the reason some members don't come Wednesday nights, is because they are bullied.

If you feel that you have been a victim of bullying, please contact the bullying hotline that we have set up, and the authorities will be contacted.

Norm also wanted to thank Mark V. for setting up the Dearborn Kiwanis.org website. Thanks Mark!

Looks like Gull Lake will be a good time this year. If you are planning on going (May 4th & 5th) you need to get \$50.00 to Pat Abbot ASAP. Frank Purrington said the Tiger game this year, is on June 4th against the Toronto Blue Jays, more info to come.

Then it was time for the Board Meeting.

Items discussed- Outstanding dues, if you haven't paid your dues, please do so, as they should have been paid in October. Installation & Christmas party meals, if you haven't paid up, please do so.

Dearborn Symphony 4th grade concert-Motion tabled

We will be marching in the Memorial Day Parade and need volunteers.

Booth at Dearborn Homecoming-more discussion and participation needed.

"Speak softly and carry a big stick"

Ted Roosevelt

Feb. 5,- Walt Young-GLEANERS Food Bank

Feb. 12-COOKOUT @ Hemlock Cabin and Dearborn Police Chief