

June 16, 2020

Good morning, GBRMC members! We hope you've been able to enjoy some of the beautiful weather we've been blessed with these past few days. It looks like we're in for another good one today. Before you head outdoors, pour one more cup of coffee and sit back for another edition of your weekly "virtual" meeting of the Green Bay Area Retired Men's Club.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,

Well, same ol', same ol'. Nothing much has changed. People are getting out more. Many of them not protecting others which makes me feel a bit uncomfortable. But, time will tell if we're doing the right thing.

Anyway, we had a board meeting yesterday morning. Couple of things from that meeting may be of interest to you.

1. As of July 1 you have new, and some old, officers. (I know, we're all old but just let it go for right now.) The officers are: Ken Braband, President; Ray Perry, 1st VP of Speakers; Dwight Hansen, 2nd VP of Tours; Tom Froelich, Treasurer; and Gus Gustafson, Secretary. (The reason I'm so confident that these are our new officers is because the board did the election and will submit them to a vote of the membership when we begin meeting in person.) (Oh, in case any of you were worried, I offered the use of my horn to Ken for when we start the in-person meetings.)

2. We received information from the library about their restarting plans. They have put their plan into seven chapters (using a writing metaphor). They are in chapter 1.5 right now. Access to the meeting rooms and auditorium won't begin until chapter 4. That's the good news; they have a plan. The bad news is that they do not have target dates on any of the future chapters. So, for us, it's still wait and see.

3. As the library moves forward and sets dates and guidelines, we (the board) will review the guidelines of using the meeting rooms and decide if the guidelines presented will work for our group. Once we accept the guidelines we will start our in-person meetings. When that happens we will try to provide a video feed so those who still prefer to not attend can enjoy the program presentations either in real-time or play back at a later time. Eventually, the guidelines will get modified to the point of it being "Back to Normal."

4. Some more good news. We are going to plan an outdoor meeting so we can get together, and mingle (distantly) but give us a chance to make sure everyone is okay and still wants to be "our group." A committee has been set up and will be putting it together. If you would like to offer any suggestions please contact any

officer and they will pass it on. (It's not, as some would have you believe, just an excuse for Tom to get our dues.)

Thank you for being our club members. Please stay safe.

OK, enough from me. On to the virtual meeting. -- *Jack Rhyner*

FROM OUR TREASURER

We are collecting the \$15 dues for our new fiscal year which begins July 1, 2020. Members can mail their check made out to "Green Bay Retired Men's Club" and mail to me at my home. Tom Froelich, 2098 Muirwood Lane, Green Bay, WI, 54313.

At the same time you can buy a shiny new Retired Men's Club mug for your use so you won't forget about us. \$10 each. Your check can be mailed as mentioned above. We will then arrange to get it to you. -- *Tom Froelich, 920-265-5104*

INVOCATION

A 20-Second Prayer During Handwashing

As I take up my hands
to wash them and
reassure my heart,
I pray for healing and wholeness
for the whole world.
I remember that every life
is unique and of infinite value:
from those living
on the most remote part of the globe
to those in our cities
to our neighbors and family members.
Let me use my hands for good
to help bring love
and compassion to others.
-- *Joseph Meszler*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Here's the Pledge set to music and some great American scenery:
<https://youtu.be/7UUBvmA-ioE>

TOURS

September 18 (Friday) Day Tour. Dutch Windmill in Little Chute. Pierce Manufacturing (fire truck mfg.) in Appleton. Golden Corral restaurant in Appleton for lunch. Waupaca Foundry in Waupaca. Rawhide Youth Services South of New London. \$50 PER PERSON. Dinner at Rawhide Youth Services is NOT included in the \$50. Lunch at Golden Corral is included. Questions? Ask Fred Kaminski. Phone or text 920 562 0443.

HUMORIST

From Bob Srenaski...

The Golden Toilet

A couple is invited to a swanky dinner party. When they arrive, they are blown away: the mansion is immaculate, the wine is free-flowing, the food is top-notch, everything is perfect.

Toward the end of the night, when everyone has consumed a fair share of wine, the husband excuses himself to go to the bathroom.

When he gets back, he tells his wife, "Sadie, I knew the people who lived here were rich, but you have no idea."

Sadie replies, "What do you mean?"

"The bathroom, you have to see it! They have gold toilets! Literally made of gold."

Sadie doesn't believe her husband and refuses to go to the bathroom just to look at the toilets. The night goes on and Sadie's husband keeps insisting that she go to look.

They eventually leave, without Sadie going to look, but the next morning Sadie's husband is still going on and on about the gold toilets. Sadie finally gives in and decides they will go back to the mansion to look at the toilet. When the couple arrives at the mansion, they ring the doorbell and the butler answers.

Sadie says, "I am so sorry to interrupt your day, but is the missus of the house available?"

The missus comes to the door and asks, "How can I help you?"

Sadie, extremely apologetic, starts talking, "I'm sorry to be rude, but my husband and I were here last night for the party which was amazing! Thank you for hosting it; it was great. There is just one thing, though. My husband keeps insisting that you had a golden toilet, and I just had to see it for myself."

The missus of the house takes a long look at Sadie and her husband, turns around and yells out, "Hey Morty, I know who crapped in your tuba."

The Clock Shop

An international businessman is traveling through Europe and his train stops in Zurich, Switzerland. And he knows that he's got three hours to make his next connection, so he figures he'll walk around the town a little bit.

He gets off the train and takes a look at his watch, and sees that his watch has stopped, which is kind of awkward. So he thinks, well, it's Switzerland, they've got to know about watches here. And he starts to walk around looking for a place, but it's Sunday and all the shops seem to be closed.

Except, after about ten minutes, he sees this tiny little shop, and the window is completely filled with watches and clocks. And he says, "This is great. I wonder if he's open."

He checks the front door, the door is open, he walks in and out to the rear of the store comes this elderly fellow wearing a yarmulke and a prayer shawl. Of course he's open on a Sunday; he's Jewish.

So the man says, "Look, I've got a terrible problem. I'm traveling through Europe and I have many meetings to make. I have many train connections to make. I'm going to stop in Geneva next and then Paris. And my watch has stopped on me, and I really can't function without the use of my watch. Can you please fix it?"

The man says, "Oh, I'm sorry, I don't know a thing about watches. I'm a mohel. I perform ritual circumcisions."

The man says, "Wait a minute though. Your windows are full of watches and clocks."

The man replied, "Well, if you were in my profession, what would you put in your window?"

Calling Mom

A man called his mother in Florida. "Mom, how are you?"

"Not so good," said his mother. "I'm very weak."

The son said, "Why are you so weak?"

She said, "Because I haven't eaten in 38 days."

The son said, "that's terrible. Why haven't you eaten in 38 days?"

The mother answered, "Because I didn't want my mouth to be full in case you should call."

The Jewish Taxi Driver

A clearly inebriated woman, stark naked, jumped into a taxi in New York City, and laid down on the back seat.

The cab driver, an old Jewish gentleman, opened his eyes wide and stared at the woman. He made no attempt to start the cab.

The woman glared back at him and said, "What's wrong with you, honey? Haven't you ever seen a naked woman before?"

The old Jewish driver answered, "Let me tell you sumsing, lady, I vasn't staring at you like you tink. Dat would not be proper vair I come from."

The drunk woman giggled and responded, "Well, if you're not staring at my boobs or toush, sweetie, what are you doing then?"

The old Jew paused a moment, then told her, "I am looking and I am looking and I am tinking to myself, 'Vair in da hell is dis lady keeping de money to pay for dis taxi ride?"

TODAY'S PRESENTATION

Best known for his performance in Rocky IV as Ivan Drago, Dolph Lundgren has starred in over 50 films. He was awarded a Fulbright to MIT after graduating at the head of his class in chemical engineering at the Royal Inst. of Technology in Stockholm. "If you heal yourself you can heal others" is the message of this surprising TEDxFulbright talk about a fighter who became a social activist.

<https://youtu.be/iNOE0dZpHcY>

Until we meet again, stay safe! Be well!

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