



Richmond Kiwanis



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October 9, 2012 Kiwanis: " Changing the world one child and one community at a time."

J. McCarter, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at the 19th Hole Restaurant by President Marti Cowherd with 20 members present. Also present was Nichol, guest of Marti. **Levan** led the song; **Mac** led the Pledge and **John Johnson** the Prayer.

Announcements: John Richardson, Steve and Jerry volunteered to attend the Key Club meeting on Thursday and welcome the new Key Club Sponsor. Marti announced the receipt of a Certificate of Appreciation from the Ray Co. 4-H and FFA for our support of their efforts. We were reminded of the Golf Tournament sponsorship forms due and that it will be held this next week on Monday.

President Marti has started a new part of the official opening in addition to the Pledge, Song and Prayer. That opening involves a member telling a little about themselves, and why they decided to join Kiwanis. **Bill Dooley, President-Elect** led off today and told about his family, occupation and his reason for joining was to become more involved in the community.

Sergeant at Arms, Bob Swafford assessed the following fines:

Missed Meeting: Mac, Ron and John Johnson.

Picture in the Paper: Ron

Last one in: Vickie McGinnis

Badge Violation: Nathan Preston

Phone Violation: Ron and Jerry

Other fines: Bob Bond went to the "R" club meeting; Ron promoted the Chamber Banquet to be held this week.

JoEllen Dale proudly introduced Teacher, retired, Hal Middleton who spoke about why he went into Education. To put it briefly he wanted a job he could get paid for telling stories. He then became a History Teacher. After 13 years at Stet he came to Richmond and took retiring teacher, Jerry McCarter's 8th Grade History class. Actually, I had suggested to our principal that Hal be hired to take my place. I was most pleased that worked out to everyone's benefit.



October Program Chair, JoEllen Dale and guest speaker, Hal Middleton

Hal's background somewhat indicated that he would become a teacher because of the great teachers he was related to. Many of us remember Robert "Hoot" Middleton, Hal's father. Hal has made his family proud of his accomplishments in the classroom. Hal got his Associates Degree from Wentworth Military Academy, his B. S. Degree from Missouri Western and his Master's degree from Maryville or NW Missouri State.

Hal's grandfather on his Dad's side was a Ray County Coalminer, his mother's side of the family were farmers up North on Highway 13.

Hal was very complimentary to the Kiwanis doing what they do, helping people especially children. He indicated that that was why he enjoyed teaching. He could feel like he was making a difference in the lives of the young people. He did his best not to bore his students. Instead he made every effort to make a real connection to his students and the lesson he was teaching. Thanks Hal for sharing your Story with us.

Today's Lotto winner was: Jerry McCarter