



**Veterans' Association  
of the  
Chicago & North Western Railway**

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**Milwaukee Chapter Luncheon – October 19, 2013**

The Annual Milwaukee Chapter Luncheon, Veterans' Association of the Chicago and NorthWestern Railway was held Saturday, October 19, 2013, at Alioto's Restaurant in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. Eighty one members and guests attended.

Milwaukee Chapter President, Curt Schmidt, led the group in a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence was observed for departed members and spouses of members.

Before our delicious meal of pork chops, chicken, or fish was served, Curt introduced several of the various Chapter Officers in attendance.

After lunch Curt Schmidt mentioned to the members whether anyone was interested in the Milwaukee Chapter positions of President, Vice President, or Secretary/Treasurer. There was a long moment of silence ... So I guess the following officers will remain in their positions for another year.

Curt Schmidt - Milwaukee Chapter President  
Bill Regner - Vice President  
Barb Schmidt - Secretary/Treasurer

General President, Curt Schmidt brought up the Constitutional changes that needed to be made to bring our Constitution up to date. 1) Political correctness such as He/She not just referring to He. 2) Procedures of day to day operations. 3) Change in Membership categories - eliminating Associate members and Lifetime members. The members of the Milwaukee Chapter voted as well as anyone who had not voted at other Chapter Luncheons.

Door prizes were drawn and I want to give a big Thank you to Mo and Bill Regner for their hard work in obtaining all of the prizes.

A raffle drawing was held after the door prizes. A special Thank you goes to Barb Schmidt in her efforts in gathering of raffle prizes, and the handmade C&NW Railroad blanket she donated. Thanks to Ron and Dixie Marquardt for the Movie Basket, Roger Staffaroni for the Beer Mirror for someone's man cave, and the bottle of Brandy from Dianne Koppelman.

Everyone was surprised when Dan Sylvester entertained us with several musical numbers, concluding with "Happy Trails" to you. It was truly enjoyed by all. Thanks, Dan.

Next year our Annual Luncheon will again be held at Alioto's Restaurant, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin on Saturday, October 18, 2014. Hope to see you there.

Submitted by: **Curtis Schmidt**, President