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Kiwanis Club of Madison West - Kiwanogram

Guests: Ryan Holley and two employees of the River Food Pantry.

Program: 'Munch Truck' from the River Food Pantry was described by Ryan Holley, the Grants Manager at the Pantry. The Munch is a new addition to the Pantry services.

The River Food Pantry opened its doors in 2006. Since its beginning, The River has focused on ending hunger and building community for all. The number people experiencing food insecurity continues increase in the Madison area. In 2023 there was a 33 percent increase. In 2024, they are expecting a nearly 25 percent. In 2022, they expanded their services South Madison and Fitchburg.

To service this added number of people experiencing food insecurity, they added the Munch truck and a new building. Munch truck serves as mobile food pantry which has four refrigerators, one freezer and food warming unit. It has an extendable awning, menu drive display and space for a couple passengers (workers). Members enjoyed an four-course excellent lunch.

June 28, 2024

Presiding: Jim Wiederhoeft
Opening Word: Ron Schuler
Checkpoint: Leroy baker
Greeter: Dwight Gribble
Meeting Setup: Tom McCrill

In 2023, the River served 17,000 people facing food insecurity. These people included children, adults, seniors, veterans and those experiencing homelessness. They provided:
3.5 millions pounds of food and supplies.
111,234 freshly prepared to-go meals,
31,072 mobile meals,
3,232 grocery deliveries,
2,003 on-line grocery orders,
273 emergency food lockers bags.

Date	Event
July 12	Board of Directors Covenant, 10:30 am
August 23	Foundation Trustees Covenant, 1:05 pm



Ryan Holley describing the attributes of Munch Truck to members of Madison West Kiwanis in the Covenant parking lot. The Munch Truck serves as a mobile pantry.

Up Coming Programs

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Opening Word</u>	<u>Check In</u>	<u>Setup</u>
July 5	No Meeting	-----	-----	-----	-----
July 12	RSVP of Dane County Mike Thomsen, Triad Coordinator	Jim Danner	Ken Saville	Joseph Tevaarwerk	TBD
July 19	Wisconsin State Senate Linda Agard	Dennis Keeney	Harold Green	Leroy Baker	TBD

Meeting Time and Location

Every Friday, 11:45 am

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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Leo Walsh, former Madison West Kiwanis member, passed away on Thursday, June 27. His funeral services will be at the St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Madison on July 6 (11:00 am). Leo was also a former members of the Madison Golden K Kiwanis club. Leo retired from the UW-Madison faculty, serving many years as the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.

Millard Johnson presented 'Wilderness Cabin Building in NW Ontario' at the Madison East meeting on June 26. Madison West members attending are **Ken Saville**, Millard and **Ron Schuler**.



Madison East Kiwanis June 16 meeting: Sybil Morgan, Bonnie Nissly, **Ron Schuler**, **Millard Johnson** and **Ken Saville**.

During today's meeting, questions were raised regarding the requirements for a Round Robin award (banner patch). The award requires ten interclub visits with four members visiting another Kiwanis Club. For a club of our size, four members are required for a successful interclub. These interclubs can be visits to a club multiple time. For 2023-24 (Oct.1 through Sept 30), we have eight successful interclubs. We need two more successful interclubs to qualify for Round Robin award. When attending see our 'Honors Banner' for the numerous Round Robin Awards we received in past years.

Club Officers (2023-24)

Co-Presidents:

Millard Johnson

Jim Wiederhoeft

Vice President

Ken Saville

Secretary

Ron Schuler

Treasurer:

Randy Grobe

Co-Past Presidents

Harold Green

Fred Ross

Board of Directors:

Jim Danner

Randy Shaver

Dwight Gribble

Kathleen Newman

Leroy Baker

Joseph Tevaarwerk

Tom Loomis, Midvale Instructional Coach plans to attend our July 12 meeting to receive donated books and a \$1,000 payment to be used at the principal's discretion. Principal, Gwen Frank may also attend to describe her plans for our contribution.

Jim Danner reported the next Second Harvest date is July 25. Members volunteering are **Tom McCrill**, **Fred Ross**, **Bruce Hoehne**, **Dwight Gribble**, **Joseph Tevaarwerk**, **Rich Donkle** and **Jim Danner**.

George Shook reported the next Habitat Restore event is Thursday, July 18 from 9:00 am to noon at the ReStore West on Odana Road. **Leroy Baker**, **Rich Donkle**, **Case Dorresteyn**, **Tom McCrill** and **Joseph Tevaarwerk** are signed up. One more volunteer needed.

Arlin Brannstrom reports the next Culver's Share Night is scheduled for July 23. A sign-up will be circulated at a future meeting. Another Share Night has been scheduled for Sept. 24.

Fred Ross reported that since a 2024-25 Vice-President has not been identified, the club meeting program scheduling will be done by committee where twelve members will be identified, one member for each month. Currently, the following committee members are **Leroy Baker**, **Arlin Brannstrom**, **Jim Danner**, **Harold Green**, **Millard Johnson**, **Dennis Keeney**, **Fred Ross**, **Harley Skjervem**, **Ed Reisch**, **Joseph Tevaarwerk**, and **Jim Wiederhoeft**. One more volunteer is needed. Later, each volunteer will identified with a month.

Co-president Wiederhoeft indicated he will not be at our club meetings from now until the last week in August. Co-president Johnson and other club members will be responsible for presiding at club meetings.