



# Kiwaniis®

## Kiwanis Club of Madison West - Kiwanogram

**Guests:** Alice Battista, guest of **Bill**; Linda Leetch, guest of **Leroy Baker**; Betty Keeney, guest of **Dennis**; Suzanne and Nancy Hoehne, guests of **Bruce**; Pam Murphy, guest of **Randy Grobe**; Lois Saville, guest of **Ken**; Gina Frank, guest of **Case Dorresteign**; Dorothy Brar, guest of **Gurdip Brar** (Middleton Kiwanis); Phyllis Wiederhoeft, guest of **Jim**; Mary Lou Reisch and Maryanne Fitzsimmons, guests of **Ed Reisch**; Cheryl Donkle, guest of **Rich**; Levone McCrill, guest of **Tom**; Kathleen Danner, guest of **Jim**; Adam, guest of **LD Steinert**; Taylor Kramschuster, guest of **Cody**.

**Program:** **Jim Wiederhoeft** directed our Christmas Holiday celebration which consisted of special member moments, ugly holiday attire competition, nonperishable food drive, and singing holiday songs with Phyllis Wiederhoeft at the piano.  
Members collected numerous non-perishable food items which were donated to the Covenant food pantry.

**December 20, 2024**

Presiding: Ken Saville  
Opening Word: Fred Ross's memory(presented by Jim Wiederhoeft)  
Checkpoint: Leroy Baker  
Setup: Tom McCrill

The songs we sang were (Thanks to pianist Phyllis):

1. Have a Holly Jolly Christmas,
2. Jingle Bells,
3. What Child is This,
4. Santa Claus is Coming to town,
5. Over the River and through the woods,
6. Deck the Halls, and
7. We wish you a Merry Christmas.



**Dennis Keeney** won the Ugliest Holiday Attire competition, presented a prize by Jim W.



Table winners of ugliest attire: **Dennis Keeney**, (l to r) **LD Steinert**, **Phyllis Wiederhoeft**, **Ed Reisch**, **Nancy Hoehne** and **Ron Schuler**. (Members at each lunch table selected a winner from their table.)

## Up Coming Programs

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Program</u>                                              | <u>Greeter</u> | <u>Opening Word</u> | <u>Check In</u> | <u>Setup</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Dec. 27     | No Meeting                                                  |                |                     |                 |              |
| Jan. 3      | No Meeting                                                  |                |                     |                 |              |
| Jan 10      | Yahara Pride Farm<br>Jeff Endries                           | Keeney         | Brannstrom          | Schuler         | TBD          |
| Jan 17      | MAS Origin and Current Prospective<br>Steve Ricke, Director | Aspinwall      | TBD                 | Baker           | TBD          |
| Jan 24      | History of Hilrose Dairy<br>Shaver and Brantmeier           | Shook          | TBD                 | TBD             | TBD          |

## Meeting Time and Location

Every Friday, 11:45 am

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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**Saville** called the club meeting to order. **Jim Wiederhoeft** moved to elect **Dwight Gribble** club vice president for the remainder of 2024-25. **Joseph Tevaarwerk** second the motion. The vote for **Dwight Gribble** being club vice president was unanimously approved. Congrats to Dwight.

## More Holiday Celebration

### Holiday Memories.

The most talked about holiday memory was **Ken Saville's** flexible sled, which Ken shared during the meeting. Ken invited members to experience a sleigh ride on the hills near Covenant. No club member volunteered.



Other memories shared by members:

1. Jim Wiederhoeft – family gatherings at each set of grandparents in northern Wisconsin,
2. Ed and Mary Lou Reisch – the birth of their first child on December 10, 1972,
3. George Shook receiving a gift of a euphonium (looks like a half-sized tuba),
4. Dennis Keeney – tons of memories but top was young daughter opening gifts,
5. Fred Ross – as a 13 year-old, walking through fresh snow, a week before Christmas,
6. LD Steinert – Christmas caroling as a child,
7. Dorothy Brar – seven years ago when her daughter and daughter's husband informed Dorothy and Gurdip of a impending grandchild,
8. Harley Skjervem – received gifts several days after Christmas – carpenter's belt and tools.

## Club Officers (2024-25)

|                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Presidents:        | Ken Saville               |
| Vice President     | By committee              |
| Secretary          | Ron Schuler               |
| Treasurer:         | <sup>11</sup> Randy Grobe |
| Co-Past Presidents | Jim Wiederhoeft           |

### **Board of Directors:**

|                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Dwight Gribble | Cody Kramschuster |
| Leroy Baker    | Joseph Tevaarwerk |
| Jim Danner     | Harley Skjervem   |

**Tim Lee**, our caterer, was presented a monetary gift in appreciation for the food service his company (TNT) is providing.

The 2025 ASA (Adaptive Ski Association) scholarship applications were due December 15. The scholarship description and application are available on our club web site. **Dennis Keeney** reported receiving three completed applications.

**George Shook** reports the volunteers for the December 19 Habitat Restore were **Leroy Baker, Rich Donkle, Case Dorresteijn Tom McCrill, Joseph Tevaarwerk** and **Jim Martin**.

**Jim Danner** reports the next Second Harvest project event is December 26 (8:30 am to 11:30 am) . Members signed up are **Ed Reisch, Bruce Hoehne, Dwight Gribble, Jim Danner, Cody Kramschuster, Joseph Tevaarwerk** and Emily Mickelson.

**Dwight Gribble** reported the Midvale School Lunch Buddies for December, 2024 has been cancelled. The next Lunch Buddies is being planned for January, 2025.

**Reminder:** The 2024-25 club meeting program scheduling will be done by committee. The committee members and months are:  
January, 2025-**Sharon Brantmeier/Randy Shaver**  
February, 2025 – **Millard Johnson**  
March, 2025 – **Dwight Gribble**  
April, 2025 – **Dennis Keeney**  
May, 2025 – **Leroy Baker**  
June, 2025 – **Joseph Tevaarwerk**  
July, 2025 – **Ed Reisch**  
August, 2025 – **Arlin Brannstrom**  
September, 2025 – **Harley Skjervem**  
All members are invited to suggest programs to the program committee members.