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Kiwanis Club of Madison West – Kiwanogram

Guests: Kathy Durner, WIUM Kiwanis Governor, Shirley Els, Division 5 Lt. Governor. Randy Durner, guest Kathy Durner, and Gurdip Brar, Middleton Kiwanis.

Program: This week's meeting was a joint quarterly meeting with Madison area Kiwanis clubs at the Cranberry Creek Catering with Downtown Kiwanis members serving as hosts. 'Easter Seals Camp Wawbeek' was presented by Amanda Verhagen, Director of camp and respite services, and Carlee Fosco, Director of Camp Wawbeek. The camp is located north of Wisconsin Dells and serves people with disabilities.

The camp was established in 1938 with a donation from the Upham Family. Since that time, Easter Seals Wisconsin Camp Wawbeek has been providing programs for children and adults with disabilities and veteran throughout the year.

Some of the camper activities:

Arts and Crafts, Music and Dance, Sports and Games, Nature, Cook Out, Camp Out, Canoe, Fishing, Pontoon, Dells Boat Tours, Swimming, Zip Line, Climbing Tower, Ropes Course, and Tye Dye.

Some of the more common camper disabilities: Cerebral Palsy (12%), Intellectual (9%), Developmental (7%), Attention Deficit (3%), Deaf or Blind (2%), and Epilepsy (2%),

Annually, WIUM Kiwanis District Governor usually has Camp Wawbeek Project:

2020 – Kitchen upgrade

2021 – 80 new mattresses for campers & staff

2022 – Camper transport trailer

2023 - Water fill stations

2024- Remodeling of the castle staff bathroom.

January 27, 2024

Presiding: Downtown Kiwanians filled

Opening Word: positions.

Greeter:

Checkpoint:

Setup:



Carlee Fosco and Amanda Verhagen

During summer 2025, they are planning on 55 to 60 campers per week. They have week long camps (Sunday - Friday) and weekend camps. The cost of a 6-day camp is \$1,274 and a weekend camp \$537. The actual costs are \$1,871 for 6-day camp and \$789 for weekend camp.

Some camp activities throughout the year include pancake breakfast, Culvers Share Night, Camp Cleanup by Circle K students from clubs throughout the Kiwanis District, and Maurer's (grocery store) Round-Up.

Date	Event
February 7	Board of Directors Covenant, 10:30 am
February 21	Foundation Trustees Covenant, 1:00 pm

Up Coming Programs

Date	Program	Greeter	Opening Word	Check In	Setup
Feb 7	Open Kettle Farm Tim and Jan Noll, owners	Ross	TBD	Tevaarwerk	TBD
Feb 14	Bat Research Studies in WI Paul White	Tevaarwerk	TBD	TBD	TBD
Feb 21	Lussier Center Arturo Ambriz	Wiederhoeft	Aspinwall	TBD	TBD

Meeting Time and Location

Every Friday, 11:45 am

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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Camp Wawbeek roadside entrance sign.

(Note: Kiwanis logo on sign indicates the degree of support from Kiwanis)

Madison West Kiwanis members attending the quarterly meeting hosted by Madison Downtown Kiwanis were:

Leroy Baker, Rich Donkle, Harold Green, Dwight Gribble, Bruce Hoehne, Dennis Keeney, Tom McCrill, Millard Johnson, Ken Saville, Ron Schuler, George Shook, Joseph Tevaarwerk, and Jim Wiederhoeft. Kiwanians from Madison East also attended. Madison West Kiwanis has \$1,500 for Easter Seals – Camp Wawbeek and \$500 for the Governor's project in the 2025 Club budget.

Based on our Kiwanis records, we have one member who has a February birthday, **Bonnie Hansen.**

George Shook reports the next Habitat Restore work day on February 20 has the following volunteers: **Leroy Baker, Rich Donkle, Tom McCrill** and **George Shook.** Two slots remain open.

Jim Danner reported the Second Harvest January 30 date, volunteers were **Bruce Hoehne, Tom McCrill, Ed Reisch, Fred Ross, Joseph Tevaarwerk, Cody Kramschuster,** and **Jim Danner.**

Club Officers (2024-25)

Presidents:	Ken Saville
Vice President	Dwight Gribble
Secretary	Ron Schuler
Treasurer:	¹¹ Randy Grobe
Co-Past Presidents	Jim Wiederhoeft

Board of Directors:

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

Midvale staff have suggested February 12, 13, 19 or 20 dates for the next Midvale School Lunch Buddies. If interested in participating, please contact **Bonnie Hansen.**

Dennis Keeney reports the 2025 Adaptive Skiers, **Jatish Nair** and **Chad Donahue,** will be visiting during our meeting on February 14.

The 2024-25 club meeting program scheduling will be done by committee. The committee members and months are:

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.

Ken Saville announced a 2025 Wisconsin Upper Michigan Kiwanis has scheduled a Mid Winter Conference on February 22 in Brookfield. Numerous educational workshops are available. Club officers and committee may consider participating.

Middleton Kiwanis has their 2025 Pancake breakfast scheduled for March 4 at the Middleton Sports Bowl, 6815 University Avenue in Middleton.