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Kiwaniis Club of Madison West – Kiwanogram

Program: "Impacts of Music Clinic on Youth" - Carrie Backman, Director, UW Summer Music Clinic



Carrie Backman

Carrie Backman, Director of the UW Summer Music Clinic and longtime friend of Madison West Kiwanis, presented the history of the Summer Music Clinics, a look at student life, and feedback from students and counselors.

The UW Summer Music Clinic started in 1929 and was originally for high school band directors. In 1932, the Clinic invited students and in 1937 started offering 10 tuition waiver scholarships to UW Madison each year. During WWII, as Camp Randall was repurposed for the war effort, the Clinic met in professor's homes or in outdoor venues. This continued during the polio outbreak that followed the war. Enrollment continued to grow for the next 20 years, and the Clinic was restructured to accommodate the growth. In 1982, the Clinic began bringing in outside professional musicians to augment the

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Opening Word:	George Skupniewicz
Greeter:	Rich Donkle
Checkpoint:	Joseph Tevaarwerk
Setup:	Tom McCrill

faculty. After celebrating their 90th year in 2019, they shifted to a virtual Clinic during the COVID pandemic. Since resuming in person activities, they have continued to grow.

Carrie presented video and written feedback from attendees. Their experiences are generally much more than expected, creating life-long friendships and providing a boost to both their musical skills and their life skills.

If you recognize Carrie, it may be because she worked with MWK for many years providing candidates for the Josef-Endle Music Scholarships and as the Edgewood Key Club faculty advisor.

Date	Event
Nov. 21	Foundation Trustees Covenant, 1:00 pm
Dec 5	MWK Board of Directors Covenant, 10:00 am

Up Coming Programs

Date	Program	Greeter	Check In	Opening Word
Nov 14	Organ donation from the perspectives of both a recipient and a donor. - Tracie Cook, UW Health Community Outreach Coordinator, plus a recipient and a donor family.	Wiederhoeft	Aspinwall	Schuler
Nov 21	Effects of Physical Therapy for Young People - Nicole Faust, Attic Angel Wellness Director	Skupniewicz	Tevaarwerk	TBD
Dec 5	MWK Foundation Update - Bruce Hoehne, Foundation President	Stauffacher	Schuler	Skjervem

Meeting Time and Location

Every Friday, 11:45 am
Covenant Presbyterian Church
326 Segoe Road, Madison, WI 53705
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At the November 7th **Board Meeting** two new members were approved. Please welcome **Jim Martin** and **Shahayra Majumder**. Jim was briefly introduced at today's meeting. Both will be officially inducted at a future meeting.

Plans for our next meeting – **November 14th** – include **45 -50 guests** to hear the presentation on Organ Donation. Many of these guests are prospective members. Our own **Case Dorresteijn** represents the donor family.

Our **2025 Capitol Christmas Pageant** is scheduled Dec. 5-7. The pageant takes place on Sunday, December 7. Setup takes place on Friday, December 5. Take down occurs after the Pageant on Sunday. **John Busby** is providing the leadership for the Pageant. Here is a link this year's flyer: [2025 Christmas Pageant Flyer](#)



Dwight Gribble reports the next dates for the **Midvale School Lunch Buddies** programs are November 18 and December 9 (Tuesdays). Volunteers are needed.

Jim Danner reports the **Second Harvest** volunteering normally on the last Thursday of the month will not occur in November and December due to the Holidays. Volunteering will resume on January 29.

George Shook reported the next Habitat ReStore volunteer opportunity is Nov. 20. All six of the slots are filled. Signed up are **Rich Donkle, Case Dorresteijn, Tom McCrill, George Shook, George Skupniewicz, and Joseph Tevaarwerk**.

2025 Pancake Day Recap – We had a financially successful Pancake Day event, earning over \$7,500 for the club. However, attendance was down markedly from last year. The Board had a long discussion on how to improve attendance while maintaining the welcoming community feel of the event.



Ken Saville with Madison West Key Club Members at 2025 Pancake Day



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