



Kiwaniis®

Kiwaniis Club of Madison West – Kiwanogram

Guests: None

Program: “Youth Protection Training and Open Club Meeting” – Dwight Gribble, President



Dwight Gribble

After our usual business meeting and a short discussion on topics presented by several members, President Dwight Gribble administered the annual Youth Protection Policy Training required for all members. If you missed the session, you can find

the training slides at

<https://www.kiwanis.org/who-we-are/youth-protection/youth-protection-training/>.

Our commitment is to **Protect** youth from harm and inappropriate behavior; **Educate** youth with tools to grow as confident, ethical leaders; **Empower** adult members with best practices for working with youth; and **Engage** all members—youth and adult—in creating a safe, supportive environment.

Kiwanis Background Checks are required for SLP Advisors, Chaperones, District Administrators, and other specific roles. Checks must be renewed every two years. In addition, many of the places we volunteer require their own background check and training (such as school districts). You can check the status of your background check by logging into the Kiwanis Engage website (<https://engage.kiwanis.org/>).

August 7, 2026

Presiding:	Dwight Gribble
Greeter:	Karl Lettner
Opening Word:	Dwight Gribble
Checkpoint:	Joseph Tevaarwerk
Setup:	Joint Effort

Kiwanis International provides online abuse prevention courses for members who serve as advisors, administrators and chaperones in our youth programs. Log into trainings at <https://www.praesidiumacademy.com>.

We also provide youth members training resources to prevent abuse through our Kiwanis Culture of Care programs.

See Something Say Something applies in this arena. If you observe inappropriate behavior, make the youth safe and report it to the event leader. There is also a Kiwanis Youth Protection Helpline (866-607-7233) you can call. The helpline is staffed 24/7 by intake professionals at Praesidium Inc. They provide guidance about follow-up and report back to the Kiwanis Youth Protection team.

Dwight provided several scenarios applying the policy to each situation.

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Date	Event
Aug 7	Foundation Trustees, 1:00 pm
Sep 11	MWK Board of Directors, 10:00 am

Up Coming Programs

Date	Program	Greeter	Check In	Opening Word
Aug 13	Brewery Tour and Lunch with Monroe Club	NA	NA	NA
Aug 14	NO MEETING	NA	NA	NA
Aug 21	Thailand - Ron Schuler	TBD	TBD	TBD
Aug 28	The Hard-Nosed Lombardi and Astonishing Green Bay Packers - Phil Hardacre	TBD	TBD	TBD

Meeting Time and Location

Every Friday, 11:45 am
Covenant Presbyterian Church
326 Segoe Road, Madison, WI 53705
Web site: www.madisonwestkiwanis.info
Email: KiwanisWest@outlook.com
Facebook: facebook.com/madisonwestkiwanis

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Youth Protection Best Practices

Social media connections: Never initiate, follow, friend, or like posts or pages of individual youth.

Photos: Get parent/guardian permission; never post on personal social media.

Rule of 3: Avoid 1:1 youth-to-adult texts, emails or phone calls. Add a second adult (e.g., another advisor/DA, parent or guardian).

Transportation: Adults driving are considered chaperones and need a Kiwanis International background check.

- Have at least three people in a car.
- Youth should ride in the back seat/rows.
- Get parent/guardian prior approval
- Follow local school and traffic laws.
- Do not text or use phone while driving.

George Shook reports **Rich Donkle, Case Dorresteijs, Jim Martin, Tom McCrill, George Shook, and Joseph Tevaarwerk** signed up to volunteered at **Habitat ReStore August 20th**.

Jim Danner reports our July 30th volunteers packaged thousands of bagels. Our next volunteer date at **Second Harvest** is **August 27th**. Contact him if you would like to sign up.

Meeting Schedule Reminder

We are meeting every other week for a few weeks in July and August. We have another outing to a brewery for a tour and an interclub meeting with the Monroe club on August 13th.

Club Officers (2025-26)

President:	Dwight Gribble
President-Elect:	Cody Kramschuster
Secretary:	Leroy Baker
Assistant Sec:	Thomas DuVal
Treasurer:	Randy Grobe
Past President:	Ken Saville
Board of Directors:	John Busby
Harley Skjervem	Jim Danner
Joseph Tevaarwerk	Ed Reisch

WI-UM Kiwanis District Raffle 2026

Daily winners will be chosen from July 17th through August 15th. Enter online at:
<https://k30.site.kiwanis.org/district-raffle/>

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2026 DISTRICT RAFFLE

30 DAYS. 30 CHANCES. ONE POWERFUL IMPACT.

We're excited to bring back our District Raffle - your chance to win big while supporting District operations! Each ticket is just \$10 and gives you one entry every day for a chance to win a special daily prize. The more tickets you purchase, the more chances you have to win! Winners will be drawn daily throughout the raffle period. Prizes may be picked up at the District Convention, August 14-16 in Brookfield. Any prizes not claimed at the convention will be delivered or shipped to the winners.

JULY 17 - AUG 15, 2026 DAILY WINNERS

ANYONE, ANYWHERE CAN WIN

WATCH OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR DAILY WINNER ANNOUNCEMENTS

HERE ARE JUST SOME OF LAST YEAR'S PRIZES:

- DCON 2026 MEAL PACKAGE
- VISA Gift Card
- WOLLERSHEIM WINERY
- Midyear 2026 REGISTRATION COMP X2
- amazon
- DCON 2026 HOTEL COMP

Logan's Heart & Smiles Update: see next page



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Logan's Heart & Smiles Update

The Scoop by Skup

One of the MWK Community Grant recipients for 2026 was [Logan's Heart & Smiles, LLC](#). Logan's has helped over 450 children and their families since 2002. They call this group "Logan's Friends." With the money we granted to Logan's, they are hosting the following event:

Logan's Day at the Zoo

Sunday, September 6, starting at 10:00 am

Logan's Friends and their families are invited to enjoy a day at the Henry Vilas Zoo, thanks to the generous sponsorship of the Madison West Kiwanis Club. Spend the day exploring the zoo, meeting old and new Friends, and making memories. Logan's Friends will receive vouchers to be spent on extras at the zoo such as the carousel or train (both are accessible), a snack from an onsite vendor, or a souvenir from the gift shop.

I am currently investigating whether Logan's will need any MWK volunteers at the event.

In other Logan's news, I recently was given the opportunity to help install a ramp for a family whose child will be soon needing a wheelchair due to a progressive neurological disorder. It truly is rewarding to see the smiles on their faces!

