

August 7 2009

K-Business of the Day

Today's Attendance:

There were about 60 Kiwanians in attendance today. Our guests included the following: Wilma Rohweder, guest of **Boomer** and Judy Brannstrom, guest of **Arlin**.

Many additional guests were on hand representing the organizations that received Madison West Kiwanis grant awards. An oversize check for \$31,684 represented the 2009 West Kiwanis contributions to charity.

This Week's Program Summary

President Ron Schuler led this week's program as he introduced all of the organizations that received grants from our club.

Community Service grants were made to: Canopy Center, Inc. -- \$1,575 to produce and distribute business card size refrigerator magnets with information about the parent Stressline. Sponsor is L.H. "Bud" Schultz. Food Pantry, First United Methodist Church -- \$1,000 to support food acquisition from 2nd Harvest Foodbank. Sponsor: John Thomas. 2nd Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin -- \$1,000 to support the Mobile Pantry Program. Sponsor: Rich Donkel. The Toad Home Dane County -- \$1,000 to support the Housing Stabilization Program that provides short-term rental assistance to families in transition from shelters to housing. Sponsor: Joe Dresser. The Odyssey Project - \$500 to purchase textbooks for adult Madison area men and women enrolled in the Humanities course. Sponsor: Fred Ross. Dean Foundation for Health, Research, and Education Free Clinic -- \$500 to be applied toward daily operating costs such as medical and office supplies. Sponsor: Dwayne Rohweder.

Receiving Youth Service awards were Masonic Learning Center -- \$1,500 to provide individual tutoring for students with dyslexia. Lussier Community Education Center -- \$500 to provide general support to Children and Youth Programs. Sponsor: Ed Reisch. Crestwood Elementary School -- \$100 to provide books for elementary school students to keep. Sponsor: Arlin Brannstrom. Porchlight, Inc. -- \$500 to provide shelter, housing, and supportive services the homeless. Sponsor: Randy Hansen. Wisconsin Safety Patrols --

\$780 to sponsor two Madison safety patrollers to travel to Washington, D.C. Special Olympics Wisconsin -- \$1,500 to support the Special Olympics annual "DuRunRun" event. Sponsor: Robert DeBroux. Dane County CASA, Inc. \$1,000 to provide training to volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children in the community and the courts.

Contributing Kiwanians

PRESIDING.....Ron Schuler
GREETER..... John Thomas
CHECK POINT..... Bob and Matty
OPENING WORDKaryn Schaier
Ace KOG Reporter.....Dave Dickson
MUSIC.....Boomer and Dave
RAFFLE..... Susan Jeannette
(representing 1st United Methodist Church)
Present Membership.....99

WEBSITE: madisonwestkiwanis.tripod.com

For a listing of FUTURE PROGRAMS:
<http://www.wml.org/scripts/BillB/Programs2009.htm>

President Ron's Announcements

Apparently the debate about our meeting location rages on. Ron reported the sites have been pared to the final three: Covenant Presbyterian Church, Zor Shrine Temple, or the Radisson Hotel. We are familiar with the facilities at the first two, but will test the Radisson's food and facilities on **Friday, August 21st**. The Board welcomes your input and would appreciate receiving your comments and recommendations.

The Membership recruiting contest continues. Ron again explained that it is the hope of the club to add 25 new members between July 2009 and June 2010.

At this week's Board Meeting, there was a small push to change the date of Pancake Day from Nov. 1 (noon game, Packers vs. Vikings) to a week later. Even though a large group of our members will also work at Camp Randall on "Flapjack eve," the Board stuck to its guns.

Instead of offering a few very collectible "antique" Kiwanis shirts on E-Bay, you can get one for only \$5. They showed up in an old box in our storeroom

Future K-Meetings

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>KOG EDITOR</u>	<u>GREETER</u>	<u>OPENING WORD</u>
August 14	Mary Van Hout An Update on Pillco Mozo Orphanage in Peru	Al Wearing	Ed Reid	Larry Thies
August 21	Dick Alpert, WIBA Morning Radio Radio History	Al Wearing	Marv Beatty	Fred Ross
<i>(NOTE: this meeting will be held at the Radisson Hotel, 517 Grand Canyon Drive, Madison)</i>				
August 28	Joe Bisogano Prof, Synchrotron Radiation Center	Al Wearing	Joe Dresser	TBD
Sept 4	Anna Balter Witness in Palestine	Al Wearing	Jerry Wallander	TBD
Sept 11	Fred Ross and the Pancake Bandits Rustling Up Some Flapjacks	Al Wearing	John Thomas	TBD
Sept 18	Kevin McSweeney History of Planet Earth	Al Wearing	TBD	TBD
Sept 25			TBD	Virgil Jurrens
Oct 2	Ken Saville Installation of New Club Officers	Al Wearing	Harold	TBD

Upcoming Activities and Events

August 1-9	WHA Fundraiser	Various	WHA Studios
August 11-13	Christmas Pageant Bleachers	9 to 4	Reynolds Storage
August 12	Eplegaarden Play Gym	9:00 am	Eplegaarden
August 15	Paint A Thon	8:30 am	5404 Woodley Ln, Madison
August 15	Special Olympics Duathlon	10:00-1:00	Fitchburg
August 21-23	District Convention	Full Days	LaCrosse
Sept 23-25	Camp Wawbeek Key Leader Training		Camp Wawbeek
November 1	Pancake Breakfast	7:30	Edgewood
February 28	Key Leader Training Again(?)		Camp Wawbeek

Member Announcements.

New House, New Location for Paint-A-Thon

Aaron Waldron reported we would NOT be painting the house we were originally assigned in Cottage Grove. Instead, we will paint a smaller house (read easier for old guys) just off the South Beltline. The address is 5404 Woodley Lane, Madison 53713. Aaron suggests you use MapQuest for directions from your house. He'll be doing some prep work with Joe Dresser and others on Aug. 8. If you signed up to paint, be there by 8:30 am on Aug. 15.

If all this has you confused, you can email Aaron at <aswaldron@hotmail.com> or try calling him at 445-9259.

Christmas Pageant Bleachers Repair

Randy Hansen announced that there will be a group of individuals working on fixing up and cleaning up the Christmas Pageant Bleachers during the week of August 11th through the 14th. Randy indicated that the work times will be varied in order to be able to include some evenings for members who are working might be able to volunteer to help as well.

Eplegaarden Play Gym

Dave Wendricks and other volunteers will meet to help Vern create a play gym for Eplegaarden on **Wednesday, Aug. 12**. They can use some help on this project -- and they tell me you don't have to be an engineer!

Key Leader Program

Ken Saville announced that there will be a Key Leader program for future leaders sponsored by Kiwanis International Service Leadership Program the weekend of February 28th, 2010. Ken indicated that there are three scholarships available for children or grandchildren of Kiwanis members, but that they must apply by August 15th.

Madison Little Leaguers Hit the Big Time

Bill Battista, conspicuous by his absence today and at the usual Thursday "gathering" at the Mid-Town Pub, is reveling in the success of the West Madison Little Leaguers. He's currently in Indianapolis cheering "our" all-star team in their quest to make it to the Little League World Series. For more information, check the front-page story in today's (Friday's) Wisconsin State Journal.

Eplegaarden Fall Schedule

Vern Forest indicated that the plans for Eplegaarden during football season looks to be October 3rd and 10th right now as the Badgers will be out of town on those Saturdays.

Happy Birthday!

Since there's just a "skosh" of space left in this week's KOG, we'll extend Best Wishes to those at the Birthday table today: Bonnie Bruce, Ken Saville, Dwayne Rohweder and (at another table) Dick Mathison.

Sing-Along

How'd you like Boomer's new efforts to teach us a couple of new songs? Today's rendition of "Grand Old Flag" was certainly sung with great enthusiasm! Sounded good!!

Program Website

AOL is discontinuing the web storage feature, which is used to post future events. In the short term, Bill Battista will store the information at the following location: <http://www.wml.org/scripts/BillB/Programs2009.mht> Please note that Bill updated this website to reflect 2009. Also, Bill would like to remind everyone that the Kiwanis phone line has been disconnected because there were never any calls, and we saved some money as a result.