

August 28, 2009

K-Business of the Day

Today's Attendance:

There were 63 Kiwanians in attendance today. Our guests today included Sarah Schuitt, guest of **Marv Beatty**, and Mark Kelsenberg, guest of **John Thomas**.

This Week's Program Summary

This week's speaker was Professor Joe Bisogano from the Synchrotron Radiation Center. **Dave Wendricks** introduced the speaker today.

Prof Bisogano began his presentation by simply informing the Madison West Kiwanians that his facility basically does research using light. The machine which is used at the facility is the Electron Beam Particle Accelerator. It sends light down a chute at the upper limit of the speed of light, and the usefulness feature of this light is that it is wider than a laser beam.

Within the synchrotron accelerator machine, the light is magnetically bent to create photons, which is the actual output used for experimentation. The use of these light beams is for varying materials such as computer chip designs, computer chip chemical compositions, biological uses, especially for cancer cells and Alzheimer's research, and semi conductor research.

Wisconsin had the first Synchrotron machine in the world dedicated solely to research and experimentation back in 1968. Today there are only eight machines in the United States, with most of them located on both coasts. There are only two in the middle part of the country, and of course Madison is one of those Midwest locations. Currently, over 300 scientists visit the Synchrotron Radiation Center annually to conduct research, and there is 60 staff on site. In addition, the Center utilizes approximately 90 graduate students each year and produces about 16 PhD candidates each year.

Moral of the Story: It is difficult to comprehend so many uses for a beam of light.

Contributing Kiwanians

PRESIDING.....Ron Schuler
GREETER..... Joe Dresser
CHECK POINT.....Matty & Bob
OPENING WORDBoomer
KOG Reporter.....Al Wearing
MUSIC.....Boomer and Dave
RAFFLE..... Clyde Oakley
Soap Box Derby
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

Ron opened the meeting with expressing a concern about Pat Hick's and suggested members to send cards of encouragement to Pat at 1021 Bay Ridge Road, Madison, WI 53716.

Ron announced that the annual Madison West Kiwanis End of Year Celebration would be held on September 23rd from 4:30 to 10:00 PM.

Ron reminded everyone of the Board Meeting on September 2nd at Vitense at 7:30 AM

Ron recognized **Ed Reisch** with a Membership recruitment award for Ed bringing guests to the meetings.

Ron distributed feedback forms to provide the members a chance to offer an opinion on the selection of a new meeting site for the future: Covenant Church, Radisson Hotel, and the Zor Shrine. Ron indicated that Madison West Kiwanis only had two meetings left at the Mt Olive location.

Future K-Meetings

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>KOG EDITOR</u>	<u>GREETER</u>	<u>OPENING WORD</u>
Sept 4	Anna Balter Witness in Palestine	Al Wearing	Jerry Wallender	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	Susan Richards, Apiarist Hidden Oaks Apiary	Al Wearing	TBD	Virgil Jurrens
Oct 2	Ken Saville Installation of New Club Officers	Al Wearing	Harold Green	TBD
Oct 9	Steven Karlen, Development Director Our Lady of Hope Clinic	Al Wearing	TBD	TBD
Oct 16	Marcus Murphy Steps to Success	Al Wearing	TBD	TBD

Upcoming Activities and Events

September 2	Kiwanis West Board Mtg	7:30 AM	Vitense Golf
September 5	Inaugural Challenger League Game	11:00 AM	Little League Fields
September 5	Badger Football Northern Illinois	6:00 PM	Camp Randall
September 23	Annual End of Year Celebration	4:30 PM	TBA
Sept 23-25	Camp Wawbeek Key Leader Training		Camp Wawbeek
October 3	Eplegaarden	11:00 AM	Eplegaarden
October 10	Eplegaarden	11:00 AM	Eplegaarden
November 1	Pancake Breakfast	7:30 AM	Edgewood

Member Announcements

Badger Football Stand

Rich Grooms announced that there is a need for six more volunteers for the Northern Illinois game, which is a 6:00 PM start time, requiring arrival at the stand at around 3:30 that afternoon.

District Convention Update

Rich Grooms provided an update on the results of the elections at the Kiwanis District Convention. Rich indicated that Lyle Plagens from Markesan was elected District IV Lt Governor, and Kathy Vorpahl was elected Governor of the District. Rich indicated the attendees from Madison West Kiwanis were the following: **Dave Wendricks, Katie Rusch, Bruce Dewey, Ken Saville, Mary Mennes, Rich Grooms, and Al Wearing.**

Eplegaarden Playground Equipment

Dave Wendricks indicated that there was some last few finishing items required to complete this project and Dave was looking for some help next Tuesday, September 1st.

Eplegaarden Fall Schedule

Carrol Spencer indicated that the sign up sheets would be distributed now for the three Eplegaarden sessions on Oct 3rd, 10th, and 24th.

Pancake Day Kickoff Meeting

Fred Ross reminded everyone that the September 11th Madison West Kiwanis meeting would be devoted to discussing the history, significance, and importance of the Pancake Breakfast which will be held this year on November 1st. Fred mentioned the importance of every member volunteering to assist at this meeting.

Key Leader Program

Ken Saville announced that all three scholarships for the Key Leader Program to be held in September went to three Key Club members.

Madison Challenger League

Bill Battista provided an update from the recent Wednesday night meeting of the Challenger League, and that there are enough kids signed up for two teams and they had a practice game as well and the kids simply were fantastic and so appreciative for the opportunity. Bill indicated that the inaugural game of the Challenger League will be on September 5th at 11:00 AM. Bill was hoping to have as many Kiwanians as possible there for the first game of the new Challenger League.

Program Website

Bill Battista would like to remind all the members that AOL is discontinuing the web storage feature which is used to post future events. In the short term, **Bill** will store the information at the following location:

<http://www.wmll.org/scripts/BillB/Programs2009.mht>

Please note that Bill has 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.