

# September 26 2009

## K-Business of the Day

### Today's Attendance:

There were 44 Kiwanians in attendance today. **Bob Richardson** brought along his wife Kate as a guest.

### This Week's Program Summary

This week's speaker was Susan Richards, Apiarist from the Hidden Oaks Apiary. She made a presentation on Beekeeping and Honey Production. Ms Richards was introduced by **Dave Wendricks**.

Ms. Richards began her presentation by describing that she found an interest in beekeeping, and then did some initial work with one hive. As she added more hives, she was able to have others ask her to assist them with hives. Now at this time, she has over thirty working hives plus ten hives of her own.

A hive works with a queen bee, a few drones, and then a lot of worker bees to make honey in the hive. Ms. Richards indicates that she has found that the City of Watertown is a great source of queen bees. In fact, she indicated that there is a brand of Cornolean queen bees which adapt to the mild weather of Wisconsin better than other types of queens, and these particular queen bees are also less aggressive.

Each year, the process begins in March to work the hives. During the winter, with a slipcover over the hive, the bees are able to stay in the hive and the temperature remarkably remains at 99 degrees in the hive. The beekeeper keeps the bees fed throughout winter and this process begins in October.

Ms. Richards has a honey house where she extracts the honey. She actually has a smoker which she uses twine as the material for smoke, and she learned from the past that the material has historically been hemp in the smoker. She filters the honey through a mesh from the hive. It was interesting to note that there is a lack of honey production about every ten years.

Ms. Richards did leave each Kiwanian with a small recipe book on using honey in cooking.

Moral of the Story: While not officially organic, honey is one of the purest forms of production in that there really is not much done to it after extracting it from the hive.

### Contributing Kiwanians

**PRESIDING.....Ron Schuler**  
**GREETER..... Don Herrmann**  
**CHECK POINT.....Matty & Bob**  
**OPENING WORD .....Virgel Jurrens**  
**KOG Reporter.....Al Wearing**  
**MUSIC.....Boomer and Dave**  
**RAFFLE..... Virgil Jurrens**  
**Henry Ahlgren Scholarship Fund**  
**Present Membership.....98**

**WEBSITE: [www.madisonwestkiwanis.com](http://www.madisonwestkiwanis.com)**

*For a listing of FUTURE PROGRAMS:*

<http://www.wml.org/scripts/BillB/Programs2009.htm>

### President Ron's Announcements

**Ron** announced that the annual Madison West Kiwanis End of Year Celebration was held on September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:30 to 10:00 PM at the Saukdale Trails Clubhouse and that he wanted to thank **Bob Spencer** as the host, and **Jerry Maruska** as the bartender.

**Ron** announced that in three weeks, October 16<sup>th</sup>, Covenant will not be available and that the meeting would be at the Radisson.

**Ron** indicated that there would be an Eplegaarden sign up sheet circulating among the tables today for the October weekend dates which there is not a football game which are 10/3, & 10/4, 10/10 & 10/11, and 10/24 & 10/25. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities available such as selling produce and working in the snack stand.

**Ron** indicated that the Board of Directors approved some minor bylaw changes as it relates to a reference to the Foundation in the Kiwanis West Madison By Laws. The Membership motioned and seconded approval of the change, and during discussion, **Jim Wiederhoeft** cautioned the membership that the change may jeopardize the 501 C3 status of the club. The motion was withdrawn and there will be a little more legal review before this idea is presented to the membership for a vote again in the future.

## Future K-Meetings

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>KOG EDITOR</u>	<u>GREETER</u>	<u>OPENING WORD</u>
Oct 2	Ken Saville Installation of New Club Officers	Katie Rusch	Harold Green	TBD
Oct 9	Steven Karlen, Development Director Our Lady of Hope Clinic	Katie Rusch	TBD	TBD
Oct 16	Marcus Murphy Steps to Success	Katie Rusch	TBD	TBD
Oct 23	Tim Gattenby, UW Kinesiology Department Fitness and Outdoor Pursuits	Katie Rusch	TBD	TBD
Oct 30	Pam Alexander, Director Animal League Defense Fund	Katie Rusch	TBD	TBD
Nov 20	Dan Nerad, MMSD Superintendent	Katie Rusch	TBD	TBD

## Upcoming Activities and Events

September 26	Badger Michigan State Game	11:00 AM	Camp Randall
September 28	Epic Systems Presentation	10:00 AM	Attic Angels
October 3 & 4	Eplegaarden	11:00 AM	Eplegaarden
October 7	West Kiwanis Board Meeting	7:30 AM	Vitense Golf Center
October 10 & 11	Eplegaarden	11:00 AM	Eplegaarden
October 17	Badger Iowa Game	11:00 AM	Camp Randall
October 24 & 25	Eplegaarden	11:00 AM	Eplegaarden
October 27	Chicago Art Institute Bus Tour	6:40 AM	Verona City Hall
October 31	Badger Purdue Game	11:00 AM	Camp Randall
November 1	Pancake Breakfast	7:30 AM	Edgewood

## Member Announcements

### Pancake Breakfast

**Scott Kramer** indicated that the sign up sheet for the Pancake Breakfast is being circulated and again, there is a dire need for volunteers on the second shift. Scott also mentioned that we need ticket sales, because without ticket sales, there is no one to serve pancakes to that morning. In addition, advertising space needs to be filled up as well and all ad copy for the placemats must be available by October 16<sup>th</sup>. **Bob Luening** also announced that there are more tickets available for sale.

### Adaptive Ski Program

**Fred Ross** announced that the applications for the Adaptive Ski program would be available next week. Fred ask everyone to think of someone who might be able to participate in the trip to Durango.

### Badger Football Stand

**Mary Mennes** announced that there are enough volunteers signed up for the next Badger game. She asked everyone to be looking at calendars and considering volunteering at the 10/17, 10/31, and 11/17 games.

### Attic Angels Education Sessions

**Chuck Stumpf** announced that Attic Angels has a series of educational sessions on Monday mornings at 10:00 and the next speaker is someone from Epic Systems in Verona.

### World Dairy Expo

**Dave Dickson** reminded everyone that World Dairy Expo was next week.

### 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.