

February 5, 2010

K-Business of the Day

This Week's Guests

This week, the candidates our club selected to attend the ASA Ski School in Durango, CO joined us. They included: Mary Conroy, Christine Draheim, Kathy Ducat, Devin Elmer, and Adam Groener. We were also joined by ski school "graduate" James Hamre and his wife Mary Jo.

Once again, **Justin McGowan** brought Derek Hayes, who was apparently unaffected by our singing last week.

Katie Rusch brought fellow Circle K alumni Samantha Manthe and Lindsey Baldwin (also a former Westie!).

This Week's Program Summary

Bill Battista introduced his daughter, Lori Battista, who spoke to the club about the Horizon High School, Dane County's only recovery high school. Horizon started in January 2005 with five students. Since that date, Horizon has graduated 52 students.

The mission of the Horizon High School is to provide a school that fosters emotional, social, and academic growth for students who want to learn in an alcohol- and drug-free environment. The school enrolls teens who have past substance-abuse issues, but have completed a treatment program and want to commit to a sober life. Doing so is difficult when a teen returns to the same friends and environment that led to substance abuse. Specifically, Lori noted that up to 97% of students who return from treatment are offered drugs on their first day back at school.

Contributing Kiwanians

PRESIDING	DAVE WENDRICKS
GREETER	JOHN THOMAS
OPENING WORD	JOE DRESSER
CHECKPOINT	BOB & MATTY
KOG REPORTER	KATIE RUSCH
MUSIC	BOOMER & DAVE
RAFFLE	FRITZ LUTZE
TO	MUSIC BANQUET

Horizon offers students a traditional academic curriculum, but also provides daily group therapy, chemical dependency education, weekly drug- and alcohol-testing, recovery plan development, and relapse prevention. Additionally, students are required to seek outside therapy.

President Dave's Announcements

Dave welcomed Dave Nelson, our newest Madison West Kiwanian.

The Madison West High School Key Club needs a Kiwanis Advisor. The club meets Mondays at noon at West High School. Contact **Dave** if you're interested, otherwise he'll appoint someone.

Dave announced that we are unable to meet at Covenant on March 5th. Instead, he has arranged for us to meet at the Radisson on Grand Canyon Drive.

Dave reminded members that there is not a meeting on April 2nd, due to Good Friday. Instead, members are welcome to the Madison East meeting on Wednesday, March 31st at noon at Old Country Buffet on East Washington Avenue.

Future K-Meetings

DATE	PROGRAM	GREETER	OPENING WORD
February 12	Jim Hubing, Henry Vilas Zoo Director The Best Kept Secret in Madison	Jim Marschall	Ken Saville
February 19	Ruth Shelley, Madison Children's Museum Executive Director A Preview of the New Museum	TBD	TBD
February 26	Jamie Weissburg, JDRF Executive Director An Update on Diabetes Research	TBD	TBD
March 5	Robert Sladkey, Olbrich Gardens Director What's Blooming at the Gardens	TBD	TBD

Upcoming Activities and Events

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
February 13-14	Midwinter Convention	All Day	Green Bay
February 16	Foundation Board Meeting	7:00PM	Kiesling Associates
February 24	International President Interclub	7:00AM	Springfield, IL
March 3	Club Board Meeting	7:30AM	Vitense Golf Land
March 10	Hockey Banquet	6:30PM	La Follette
April 21	Music Banquet	TBA	Edgewood
August 14	Paint-a-thon	TBA	TBA

Member Announcements

Hank Ahlgren Scholarship

Ron Schuler is looking for a few good members to review the applications of the seven Hank Ahlgren Scholarship candidates. **Ron** reminded the club that each year, we award a \$2000 scholarship in honor of Hank Ahlgren, a long-time member, to a student who does outstanding community service.

Hockey Banquet

John Schwab announced that he ordered tickets for the annual hockey banquet so the date can't be changed again. Yet again, **John** passed around a practice sign-up sheet.

International Pres Visits WI-UM

Mary Mennes announced that Kiwanis International President, Paul Palazzolo, is scheduled to visit our district this March. He will be in our area of the district on Sunday, March 21st, leading workshops at the Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc. **Mary** noted that these workshops are "a terrific experience for newer members and a renewal for long-time members."

West Little League Tile

Bill Battista reported that the club is purchasing a commemorative brick tile to appear on the West Madison Little League's picnic pavilion. **Bill** "passed the can" for a total of \$200 in donations from club members. The remaining cost (\$300) will be split between the club and Foundation.

Edgewood Circle K Kicks Off

Ashley Kuehl announced the kick-off project for Edgewood Circle K. The club members will make security blankets for ill children as part of Project Linus, a nationwide project whose mission is to "provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer 'blanketeers.'" This kick-off project is scheduled for Monday, March 15th at 6:00PM at Edgewood College. Contact **Ashley** to participate.

Soap Box Derby

This year's Soap Box Derby is tentatively moving forward, despite the international organization undergoing some sponsorship challenges.

Member Update

Fred Ross announced that **Scott Kramer** had the upper right lobe of his lung removed last week as treatment for lung cancer. **Fred** suggested that members send cards instead of calling. **Scott** is recovering well—so well that **Fred** hopes **Scott** will be back with us in a week or two. Here's to a swift recovery, **Scott!**