

February 19, 2010

K-Business of the Day

This Week's Guests

Ed Reisch brought a prospective member, Bill McDonald, President of Starion Financial.

This Week's Program Summary

Al Wearing introduced Ruth Shelley, Executive Director of the Madison Children's Museum.

Ruth provided an overview and photo tour of the new museum, located at 100 North Hamilton Street. The building housing the museum was built in 1929 and housed a Montgomery Ward department store. The museum design pays tribute to the original purpose of the building by reopening the Capitol point doors and storefront windows. One of the windows will also contain a 1930s-style store display containing clothes for "dress-up."

The first floor of the museum is accessed by the Capitol point doors (including a child-sized door!) and opens into a free community concourse. In addition to the clothing display, the community concourse will contain a water sports exhibit and magnet wall for kids to build ball/mousetrap runs.

Ruth described the Early Learning Gallery, which provides children under five with play and learning opportunities. It is made entirely of natural materials from Wisconsin, including a suspension bridge that was made of the arch from the former Kohl's building on East Washington Avenue.

In addition to this gallery, the museum will contain an art studio, a "Wonder Wheel" for running like gerbils, a place to host children 8 years old and up (something the previous location prohibited), a "Rooftop Ramble" for learning about agriculture and map-making, and a cafeteria and picnic area.

Contributing Kiwanians

PRESIDING	DAVE WENDRICKS
GREETER	CASPER THE GHOST
OPENING WORD	ED REISCH
CHECKPOINT	BOB & MATTY
KOG REPORTER	KATIE RUSCH
MUSIC	BOOMER & MARY

The museum reopens on August 14th, with its Grand Gala on August 7th.

President Dave's Announcements

Dave reminded members that our meeting on Friday, March 5th is located at the Radisson on Grand Canyon Drive.

Dave also announced the Edgewood High School Key Club begins its book drive next week. If you have children's books, coloring books, or crayons to donate, bring them to next week's Kiwanis meeting.

The All-American Soap Box Derby is on! **Dave LeDuc** reported (via **Dave**) that the city of Akron is guaranteeing that the national competition will go forward this year.

The Madison Jazz Society and Yamaha are sponsoring a jazz concert on Wednesday, February 24th, in the Kathleen O'Connell Auditorium on the Edgewood campus. Contact **Dave** for details.

Our Newest Westie

Ken Saville inducted our newest club member, **Dave Nelson**. **Dave** works with SSM Healthcare and is a past president of his former Kiwanis club in Chicago. (A more complete biography will appear in a future Kiwanogram.) Welcome **Dave**!

Future K-Meetings

DATE	PROGRAM	GREETER	OPENING WORD
February 26	Jamie Weissburg, JDRF Executive Director An Update on Diabetes Research	TBD	Boomer
March 5	Robert Sladkey, Olbrich Gardens Director What's Blooming at the Gardens	TBD	TBD
March 12	Keri Svoboda, Marketing Director Highlights of Ecumenical Housing	TBD	TBD
March 19	Tom Mooney, CEO American Red Cross Badger Chapter Update	TBD	TBD
March 26	ASA Skiers	TBD	TBD

Upcoming Activities and Events

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
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
March 16	Foundation Board Meeting	7:00PM	Kiesling Associates
April 21	Music Banquet	TBA	Edgewood
August 14	Paint-a-thon	TBA	TBA

Member Announcements

Westies Take the Plunge

Steven Mueller, Jordon Geiger, and Robert DeBroux are taking the Polar Plunge this Saturday, February 20th to benefit Special Olympics Wisconsin athletes. Their team has raised over \$2000 for Special Olympics so far, but if you'd like to make a contribution and tell a banker in the club to "go soak his head," contact **Steven, Jordon, or Robert**. You can also cheer them on/taunt them beginning at 1:00PM at Olin Turville Park.

Camp Wawbeek Needs Your Help

Ken Saville announced that Camp Wawbeek is looking for a few folks to assist with camp mailings this Monday, February 22nd from 9:00AM to 12:00PM.

West Key Club Charter Celebration

Ed Reisch reported that the West High School Key Club charter celebration is scheduled for Monday, February 22nd, at noon in room 137 of West High School. Our membership is invited and encouraged to attend the celebration.

A Presidential Interclub

Ed Reisch is organizing an interclub with the Kiwanis club of Springfield, Illinois, which is the home club of the Kiwanis International President, Paul Palazzolo. This interclub is scheduled for Wednesday, February 24th. The group will leave Covenant Presbyterian at 7:00AM to arrive for the Springfield Kiwanis meeting at 11:00AM. Contact **Ed** if you are interested.

Share ASA's Excitement

Fred Ross invited club members to wish five of the Adaptive Sports Association skiers a bon voyage on Monday, March 1st at 10:30AM at the Dane County Regional Airport. In addition to sharing the excitement, these skiers would benefit from your assistance with luggage, boarding, etc. **Fred** also encouraged members to welcome home these skiers on Saturday, March 6th at 6:50PM.

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. The workshops run from 12:00PM to 4:00PM. **Mary** noted that these workshops are "a terrific experience for newer members and a renewal for long-time members."

Thanks From Scott

Scott Kramer thanked the club for thoughts and prayers as he recovered from the removal of the upper right lobe of his lung. **Scott** is doing so well, in fact, that he plans to be on the tennis court next week! Here's a continued excellent recovery, **Scott!**

Camp Randall Classic

Mary Mennes thanked all those who worked the Camp Randall Classic on Saturday, February 6th. She hoped that all were able to dislodge the hot chocolate dust from their nasal passages by now.