



# KIWANOGRAM

**Guests:** None

**Program:** Ron Schuler shared his experiences and photos during a twelve day trip through eight major cities and areas in Germany. The cities were Frankfurt, Cologne, Hamburg, Berlin, Dresden, Nuremberg, Munich and Heidelberg. In Cologne, a Cathedral, the most visited land mark in Germany, was constructed starting in 1248 and with interruptions completed 1880, and was spared by the U. S. during bombing raids of Germany during WWII. In Hamburg, the Port of Hamburg was listed as the second largest shipping port in the world and the port from where many of our Central European Ancestors departed when immigrating to the U. S. Many historic sites in Berlin were visited including remnants of the wall, Checkpoint Charlie, Brandenburg Gate, Cecilienhof (site where Truman, Churchill and Stalin met to divide Germany after the war) and Wannsee (where Hitler's leaders developed their plan for Jews). Dresden was the site for Martin Luther's statue and church and the largest Porcelain mural (23,000 tiles and 335 feet long). Nuremberg was the location of the Dachau concentration camp where more than 30, 000 documented deaths occurred and many more undocumented deaths and the Justice Center for the Nuremberg Trials. From Munich, the Eagle's Nest was visited, a retreat designed for Hitler on a mountain top which he rarely visited. And finally, Heidelberg, a historic city spared by Allied Bombers because of its universities. See pictures on page two.

<u>January 3, 2014</u>	
Presiding:	Bill Grabel
Checkpoint:	Marv Beatty, Dave Wendricks Terry Stewart, Marv Beatty
Opening word:	Boomer
Music:	Boomer and Mary
Raffle Winner:	Rich Donkle Ahlgren Scholarship

## Announcements:

**Bill Grabel** announce our Board of Directors meeting schedule for January 8, 7:70 am to 8:30 am at Vitense Golfland. Members are welcome.

January birthdays were celebrated which included Marv Heiser, Karyn Schairer, Rich Donkle, Bill Grabel, Randy Hansen. Other members having January birthdays and missing the celebration were Cat Piontrowski, Carrol Spencer, and Arlin Brannstrom. Please note, we do not have birth dates (month and day) for some of our members. If members go to our new member web site, you can check your own member page and make your own additions and corrections.

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<u>Important Dates</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
January 8	Board Meeting, Vitense
January 8	Lunch Buddies, Midvale
January 15	Lunch Buddies, Midvale
January 21	Foundation Meeting, Lussier
January 29	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Potluck Din., Midvale

## Up coming Programs

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Opening Word</u>
January 10	Wisconsin Microfinance Conor Mullen	Jim Danner	Marv Beatty
January 17	IPads for Kids Lynn Messer	Tom McCrill	TBA
January 24	Boys and Girls Club Michael Johnson	Marv Heiser	Larry Thies

## Meeting Time and Location

Fridays, 11:45 am  
Covenant Presbyterian Church  
326 South Segoe Road  
Madison, WI  
Web site: madisonwestkiwanis.com

## Announcements

**Bonnie Hansen** announced future club opportunities for members to volunteer at Midvale School:

January 8	Lunch Buddies
January 15	Lunch Buddies
January 29	First Grade Potluck Dinner
February 3	Kinder Screening
February 3	K4 and Kinder Registration
February 5	All School Assembly
February 12	Second Grade Potluck Dinner
February 25	Kinder Potluck Dinner
March 29	Midvale Rummage Sale
April 2	Rhythm and Books, Book Fair
April 2	First Grade Concert
April 4	Kinder Concert
April 10	Second Grade Concert

These dates do not include the later Lunch Buddies which occur weekly during the school year. Three members did volunteer for the January 8 Lunch Buddies. For further information or interest in volunteering please contact Bonnie: [2bonniejeanne@charter.net](mailto:2bonniejeanne@charter.net) or 838-8456

**Ron Schuler** reported on our new web site which consists a public site which has URL of madisonwestkiwanis.com . Once at this site you will see member login which is the entry into our member site. In order to login on the member site you must set your password. Each member should have received a message with the subject 'Set Password' and a sender was 'Portalbuzz' In some cases this message went to your spam or junk folder. If you need to have a new 'Set Password' message please make a request to Ron Schuler, [rschuler@wisc.edu](mailto:rschuler@wisc.edu) .

## Club Officers (2012-2013)

President:	Bill Grabel
Vice President	Carrol Spencer
Secretary	Ron Schuler
Treasurer:	Randy Grobe
Past President	Bruce Hoehne

## Board of Directors

Bonnie Hansen	Mary Mennes
Ed Reisch	Al Wearing
Bill Battista	Tom McCrill

The three remaining cans of popcorn were raffled. Winners were **Tom McCrill, Bruce Hoehne** and **Marv Schaeffer**.

## Some photos from Germany



View from hotel in Black Forest



World's largest cuckoo clock – 20 ft tall



Eagle's Nest, Hitler's retreat on mountain