



Kiwanis Club of Madison West

KIWANOGRAM

Guests: None

Program: Conor Mullan, Executive Director, described Wisconsin Microfinance, which uses microfinances to help people rise out of poverty. With 2010 earthquake in Haiti, a very large number Haitians are in poverty and many of these people had small businesses. The goal of this organization is to provide longer term permanent solution to people in Haiti who have lost their business. Starting in 2010, loans of \$62.50 are made to Haitians. The interest rate is one percent and on the average are repaid in five months. Over 100 loans have been made and 800 are on the waiting list. More info can be found at www.wisconsinmicrofinance.com. Their address is 6810 Idlegate Circle, Madison, WI 53711-4204.



Carrol Spencer and Conor Mullan

January 10, 2014

Presiding: Bill Grabel
Checkpoint: Marv Beatty, Virgil Jurens
Opening word: Marv Beatty
Music: Boomer
Raffle Winner: Jim Bly
Christmas Pageant

Announcements:

Bruce Hoehne announced the Foundation Trustees meeting is scheduled for January 14, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Lussier Center on Gammon Road. Members are welcome.

Chuck Stumpf reports birthday contribution for December were received from **Ken Niemeyer, George Meyer, Chuck Stumpf, Randy Grobe** and **Ron Schuler**. For December the total contributions were \$315.00 and for the year, 2013, the total is \$2,884. These contributions go to our foundation.

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Important Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
January 14	Foundation Meeting, Lussier
January 15	Lunch Buddies, Midvale
January 21	Foundation Meeting, Lussier
January 22	Lunch Buddies, Midvale
January 29	1 st Grade Potluck Din., Midvale
February 23	Bellville Chili Dinner

Up coming Programs

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Opening Word</u>
January 17	IPads for Kids Lynn Messer	Tom McCrill	Ken Saville
January 24	Boys and Girls Club Michael Johnson	Marv Heiser	Larry Thies
January 31	Committee Meetings Bill Grabel	John Thomas	TBA

Meeting Time and Location

Fridays, 11:45 am

Covenant Presbyterian Church

326 South Segoe Road

Madison, WI

Web site: madisonwestkiwanis.com

Announcements

Bill Battista provided a membership plan where each three months we will have a guest day when we have a special speaker to create interest for potential members. Our next guest day will be January 24 with Michael Johnson, a dynamic speaker who is the director of the Dane County Boys and Girls Club and has made dramatic changes to improve the effectiveness of the club.

Bruce Hoehne announced volunteers are needed for the first grade class potluck dinner at Midvale School on January 29, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. A sign-up sheet was circulated. Members can also sign up on our web site by logging in through our club web site.

Members participating in the Midvale Lunch Buddies on Wednesday, January 8, were **Bill Grabel, Ed Reid, Ed Reisch, Bruce Dewey and Jim Danner**. More lunch buddies are planned for each Wednesday from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Club members can sign up for the Lunch Buddies through our web site.

Ron Schuler reported 24 members have acquired their pass word and logged into the members-only area of our web site. The members-only area has been setup to allow members to sign up for the January 29th First Grade Potluck Dinner and the Lunch Buddies on January 15 and 22. Members call also sign up for opening word and greeter for our Friday meetings. If anyone has a questions or needs assistance acquiring their pass word please contact **Ron Schuler**, 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

Bruce Hoehne announced a planned interclub with Madison Downtown Kiwanis on Monday, January 12, noon, at the Coliseum Bar.

Ken Saville reported the club will purchase a third I-Pad for a third student with autism at Midvale school.

The Belleville Kiwanis has their Annual Chili Dinner and Travel Show scheduled for February 23 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Belleville High School. The travel show will feature Scotland. In addition the Belleville Library will provide a presentation on the Martin Luther King for Black History Month. This has been an interclub opportunity in past years.

Another potential interclub is scheduled for January 29, noon with the Madison East Kiwanis Club at the Old Town Buffet. The program will be Nancy Young speaking on Sandy Hook. This interclub provides an opportunity for members who missed Nancy at our November 15 meeting when she was our program to hear this excellent program..

Ed and Mary Lou Reisch presented a program on Sedonia to the Aktion Club on Thursday, January 9.

