



Kiwanis Club of Madison West

KIWANOGRAM

Guests:

Travis Wirth, guest of **Bill Grabel** and applicant for club membership.

Program:

Wisconsin Farm Technology Days, a large outdoor farm show, was described by Ron Schuler, a past general manager of the show. The show is a three day event which takes place on a operating farm and moves around the state. The concept for the show was developed by Henry Ahlgren, our charter club president with the first show in Waupaca County in 1954. The goal of the show is to promote agriculture in the state. An important element of the show is education provided primarily by UW-Extension. The show has been held annually since that time.

Previously the show was in Dane County, near Sun Prairie in 1970 and near DeForest in 1986. Kiwanis volunteered in a food tent for the 1986 show.

Today the show requires sixty acres for exhibits and displays, 100 acres for parking and 250 acres for field machinery demonstrations. About 600 exhibitors participate in the show with a average attendance of 45, 000 people.

The 2015 (August 25-27) show is scheduled for Dane County on the Statz Brothers Dairy Farm, just East of Sun Prairie, near the intersection of highway 19 and county VV. Nearly 1500 volunteers are needed to host the show. Non profit organizations will have opportunity to staff food tents. Forty to fifty volunteers are needed to staff one food tent. Clubs can joined together in order to have sufficient volunteers. Kiwanis clubs in division 3 can join together.

Up coming Programs

| Date | Program | Greeter | Opening Word |
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| May 9 | Middle School Awards Sharon Brantmeier | Jim Bly | TBA |
| May 16 | Sleep and Your Health John Dopp | Bruce Dewey | TBA |

May 2, 2014

Presiding: Bill Grabel
 Checkpoint: Dick Vilstrup, Dave Wendricks
 Opening word: Boomer
 Music: Boomer and Mary
 Raffle Winner: Marv Schaeffer
 Christmas Pageant

Announcements:

Bill Grabel announced a board meeting is scheduled for May 7, 7:30 am at the HiVee store in Fitchburg. Members are welcome.

Bill Grabel informed the members of Jim Marschall's passing and described a number Jim's accomplishments. A celebration of Jim's life will be Wednesday, May 7, 2:00 pm at the Cress Funeral Home, 6021 University Avenue with visitation one hour prior.

Kiwanians were encouraged to vote for Autumn Neugent, our adaptive skier competing for an accessible vehicle, valued at \$50,000. See our web site for voting details. You can vote once per day until May 9. As of noon, May 4, Autumn has 5,108 votes. Please keep voting.

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Important Dates

| Date | Event |
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| May 3 | Vilas Zoo Project |
| May 3 | Kiwanis International President Visit to Middleton |
| May 6 | Circle of Friends Lunch Madison Schools, Alliant Center |
| May 7 | Madison West Board Meeting |
| May 7 | Lunch Buddies, Midvale |
| May 15 | Anniversary, Monroe Kiwanis |
| May 21 | Cultural Fair, Midvale |

Meeting Time and Location

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

Announcements:

An interclub is planned with the Monroe Kiwanis Club members who will be celebrating their 93rd anniversary on May 15 at the American Legion. If interested, please contact **Dave Wendricks** by email dwendicks1@charter.net or by phone 271-5054.

Carrol Spencer announced a Eplegaarden firewood project is scheduled for May 10, 8:30 am. The plan is to cut firewood until about noon. Let Carrol know if you are able to participate.

Bill Grabel, and **Bruce Dewey** participated in the Midvale Lunch Buddies on Wednesday, April 30. The next Lunch Buddies is scheduled for May 7, 11:00 am. **Bill Grabel** and **Bruce Dewey** volunteered. If others are interested, contact **Bill Grabel** by phone 831-3441 or by email wgrabel@chorus.net.

Kiwanis International President **Gunter Gasser** is visiting the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan District. He was at the UW-Madison Memorial Union on Thursday, May 1, visiting with UW-Madison Circle K students. On May 3, 9:30 am to noon, he scheduled to be at the Vilas Zoo to participate in the division 3 work project, removing leaves and planting flowers and bushes. In the evening, a social and a dinner are scheduled at Fitzgerald's in Middleton.

Members were asked to volunteer from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the zoo to remove old plant residue. Contact **Bruce Hoehne** if you are willing to volunteer.

Club Officers (2013-2014)

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

Board of Directors

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

Madison East Kiwanis is planning a social at the Mallards game on June 5 (5:30 meal and 7:00 game). The cost is \$14 per person which includes game ticket and 'all you can eat' meal. The deadline is May 28 with money to Mike Morgan, 271-6606. Ed Reisch also has information.

Bill Battista announced a trip to a Milwaukee Brewer game has been scheduled for June 23. A bus will be available but members may choose to drive. Game tickets including the bus cost \$50 and game tickets only are \$30. Madison Little League youth and parents are also participating. Contact Bill for more details.

Bruce Hoehne announced the Midvale School Cultural Fair is scheduled for May 21, 12 noon to 3:00 pm and from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Midvale gym. The theme this year is 'World Cup'. Each classroom is assigned a country and will prepare a display describing the culture in that country. Students and teachers have been planning this assignment for three weeks. Members of Kiwanis are invited to visit the exhibits and learn about other cultures.

Lyn Laurion, spouse Bob, passed away on Tuesday April 29. Bob was a long time member of our club and passed away several years ago. Services will be May 22.

