



KIWANOGRAM

Guests:

Gurdip Brar, Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis Governor and Kathy Nieber-Lathrop, chair of the District Convention. Both are members of the Middleton Kiwanis Club.

Program:

Steven Schooler, executive director, described the role of Porchlight with the homeless. Its mission is to strive to decrease the homeless population in Dane County by providing shelter, housing, support services and a sense of community. Porchlight offers over 300 low cost living units at 24 locations in Dane County to families and individuals on a transitional or permanent basis. On an annual basis Porchlight provides for over 450 men, women and children with approximately 11,000 nights of shelter.

Each year 3,500 people experience homelessness in Madison often once in a lifetime experience. The primary causes of homelessness are poverty, violence or threat of violence and mental health

At the Grace Episcopal on the Capitol Square they serve 60,000 meals each year for the homeless.

At their Brooks Street facility they not only have 103 housing units, they have a kitchen which prepares and markets grocery items such as canned vegetables, pancake mixes, jams and jellies, scones, and sauces which are available in some local grocery store.

May 16, 2014

Presiding: Bill Grabel
Checkpoint: Virgil Jurrens, Marv Beatty
Opening word: Boomer
Greeter: Bruce Dewey
Music: Boomer and Mary
Raffle Winner: Ken Niemeyer
ASA Ski Program

Announcements:

Bill Grabel reported the Madison West Kiwanis Board of Directors met today and approved the recommendations from the Youth and Community Grants Committees with a minor change, increasing the total funding from \$12,000 to \$12,500. Once the grant applicants have been informed of the decisions regarding funding support and club members will be informed soon.

Attending the interclub with the Monroe Kiwanis Club were **Bill Grabel, Bruce Hoehne, Ron Schuler** and **Dave Wendricks**. Monroe celebrated their 93rd anniversary. Dave received one of the many door prizes. An interclub with Madison Downtown Kiwanis is planned for Monday, May 19, noon at the Coliseum Bar.

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Important Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
May 20	Foundation meeting
May 21	Lunch Buddies, Midvale
May 21	Cultural Fair, Midvale
June 7	Soapbox Derby
July 4	NO MEETING
August 15-17	WI-Upper MI District Convention

Up coming Programs

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Opening Word</u>
May 23	Memories Preserved Joyal Holder	Virgil Jurrens	Dwayne Rohweder
May 28	International Volunteerism Virginia Pickerell	Jim Bly	Tom McCrill

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:

Since February 1, **Scott Maier, Bruce Roberts and Travis Wirth** have joined our club. Bruce and Travis were formally inducted into our club today. Scott was unable to attend.

Travis is Manager of Store Operations at the Hy-Vee Store in Fitchburg. Travis was a member of Kiwanis Clubs in Cedar Rapids, IA (2012-13) and Denison, IA (2009-11). He has a degree in Marketing and Management from the University of Iowa. He is interested our club Membership Committee. **Bill Grabel** was Travis's sponsor. His home address is 701 Harbor House #5, Madison. (phone – 319-430-9556 and email – 1184mgrsepl@hy-vee.com)

Bruce is a former member of our club and is a former neighbor of Ed Reisch. Bruce is retired from the Edgewood College and was an accountant prior to his college position. Ed Reisch was his sponsor. Bruce is interested in community service. His home address is 24 Oak Creek Trail, Madison. (phone 827-7799 and email – bruce.chris.roberts@gmail.com)

Scott is the faculty advisor for the Madison West Key Club. He is in the ESL Department at West High School. He interested in community service. His school address is 30 Ash Street, Madison (phone 576-0971 and email maier@madison.k12.wi.us).

Carrol Spencer reported **Bill Grabel, Vern Forrest, Marv Heiser, Tom McCrill Rich Grooms, Ron Schuler** and **Carrol Spencer** cut firewood on Saturday, May 10, at Eplegaarden.

Bill Grabel, Bruce Dewey and Ed Reisch participated in the Midvale Lunch Buddies on Wednesday, May 14. The next Lunch Buddies is scheduled for May 21, 11:00 am. **Bill Grabel** and **Steve Kalscheur** volunteered.

Club Officers (2013-2014)

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

Randy Grobe circulated a signup sheet for the Soapbox Derby scheduled for June 7. Volunteers are needed for setup, timing, soapbox car transport and take down.

Ed Reisch reminded members of the Madison East Kiwanis plan for 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.

Bill Battista announced a trip to a Milwaukee Brewer game has been schedule for June 23. A bus will be available but members may choose to drive. Madison Little League youth and parents are also participating. Contact Bill for more details.

On Sunday, May 18, 11:30 am to 2:00 pm, West Madison Little League has a annual sponsor appreciation event. Members are invited.

Ron Schuler 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. Volunteers are needed during those hours. Contact Bonnie Hansen if interested.

Gurdip Brar, Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis Governor and Kathy Nieber-Lathrop, chair of the Kiwanis District Convention discussed the district convention, August 15-17 at the Marriott in Middleton. Volunteers are needed for registration, workshop room setup, and tours. Plans for the convention involve more fun activities. Tours include capitol, Veteran's and Children's Museums and Capital Brewery. More details to come.