



KIWANOGRAM

Guests:

Christine Lutze, daughter of Fritz.

Program:

Virginia Pickerell described her experience volunteering for Habitat for Humanity at the international level. Virginia has been volunteering for twelve years and has traveled to numerous countries including Poland, Romania, Cook Island (near New Zealand), Nepal, China, and Peru. In addition Virginia volunteered in Hawaii. Because building costs are very high in Hawaii, very few new homes are being constructed but many homes are being remodeled and/or repaired.

In some countries the home building is quite different to home construction in the US. Due to shifting soils in Peru, the floors are constructed of large rocks with mortar. The floor thickness appeared to be nearly two feet.

Citizens in these countries are very appreciative of the work done by the volunteers and often celebrate the completion of the projects. Also the citizens including children are very interested in visiting with the volunteers to learn songs and the English language.

In each country, people have their unique clothing, often very colorful. Often the dyes are obtained from natural sources. One source Virginia identified was insects.

Up coming Programs

Date	Program	Greeter	Opening Word
June 6	A View from the Interior Susan Riseling, UW-Madison Police	John Thomas	D. Rohweder
June 13	Girls on the Run in Dane County Sara Pickard	TBA	Ken Saville

May 30, 2014

Presiding: Bill Grabel
 Checkpoint: Virgil Jurrens, Dave Wendricks
 Opening word: Tom McCrill
 Greeter: Jim Bly
 Music: Boomer and Mary
 Raffle Winner: Jim Bly
 Christmas Pageant

Announcements:

Bill Grabel announced a Madison West Kiwanis Board Meeting is scheduled for June 4, 7:30 am, at the Hy-Vee store in Fitchburg, Members are welcome to attend.

Bonnie Hansen encouraged members to volunteer as chaperones for Midvale School students visiting Vilas Zoo on June 10, 9:15 to noon. Members agreeing to volunteer at this time are **Marv Beatty, Bonnie Bruce, Bill Grabel, Virginia Grabel** and potentially **Jim Bly**. If others are interest, please contact **Ed Reisch** if interested, (phone - 274-4371 or email – mlreisch@chorus.net .

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Important Dates

Date	Event
June 4	Board Meeting, HyVee Fitchburg
June 5	Mallards Game
June 7	Soapbox Derby
June 10	Vilas Zoo Field Trip, Midvale School
June 23	Brewer Game
July 4	NO MEETING
August 15-17	WI-Upper MI District Convention

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:

The Board of directors has approved the 2014 grants recommended by the Community and Youth Services committees as follows:

Second Harvest - \$1,000
Road Home - \$1,500
First United Methodist Church - \$1,000
Planned Parenthood - \$2,000
Theatre Bus - \$500
Aldo Leopold Center - \$1,500
Lussier Center - \$1,500
Porchlight - \$1,000
Children's Dyslexia - \$1,000
Gardens of Empowerment - \$1,000
Meadow Ridge Library - \$500

The total funds granted were \$12,500. Representatives from these organizations have been invited to our meeting on June 20 to be recognized.

A reminder the Soapbox Derby is scheduled for June 7. Volunteers have signed up. Contact Randy Grobe with questions (phone 850-9655 or email rsgrobe@aol.com)

For members planning to attend the Mallards game on June 5 (5:30 meal and 7:00 game) with questions, please contact Mike Morgan, 271-6606, a member of the Madison East Kiwanis Club planning this Kiwanis Night at the game.

A reminder, a trip to a Milwaukee Brewer game has been scheduled 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 Battista** for more details.

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

Sharon Brantmeier reported next week's program, Susan Riseling, Chief of UW-Madison Police will be an outstanding program when chief Riseling describe her experiences at the state capital during the demonstrations regarding changes in state employee labor unions. Sharon encouraged members to invite guests.

Bill Battista reports the 2014 West Madison Little League season has begun at the West Madison Little League field on Forward Drive. The West Madison Kiwanis team won their first game 7 to 1 over American Transmission. Bill encourages members to visit the games to follow our team.

Following is the schedule for our team for the next two weeks:

June 1, 5:30 pm vs Meicher & Associates
June 3, 6:40 pm vs Berghoff Soda
June 6, 6:20 pm vs Badger Sporting Goods
June 8, 1:00 pm vs Culver's

June 13, 4:00 pm vs American Transmission
The Little League results and schedule at any time can be found at:

<http://wmll.org/teams/west-kiwanis-club/>

Carrol Spenser announced a work day at Eplegaarden cutting wood was scheduled for May 31 at 8:00 am.

