



Kiwanis Club of Madison West

KIWANOGRAM

Guests: None

Program: Emily Auerbach, project director, described the UW-Odyssey program administered through the UW-Continuing Education Department. This program provides adults facing economic barriers with a chance to start college. Students enter the program which provides introductory courses in humanities and arts.

The students meet weekly from September to May and are introduced to great works of literature. During the course, students read and write weekly, gain a voice and develop a sense of empowerment through lively discussions of literature, history, philosophy, art and writing. Completing this two semester program provides the students with six UW credits in English Literature.

Thirty students are enrolled each year in the Odyssey program, which has an average of 28 students completing the program. Many of the students continue their education, frequently attending UW-Madison and Madison College.

Rene Robinson, a student who completed this program, described her life experiences. She faced many challenges growing up on the south side of Chicago in a very large family, having a low income. She moved to Madison and enrolled in the Odyssey program. She was very excited about the extremely positive impact this program had on her life in many ways.



Emily Auerbach and Sharon Brantmeier

Rene Robinson and Bob Cropp

Upcoming Programs:

Date	Program	Greeter	Opening Word
March 2	How Taxes Change with Trump Marshall Menninga	Brian Rodeck	TBA
March 9	Insight into North Korea Andrew Kydd	Bob Richardson	Brian Martin

February 23, 2018

Presiding: Arlin Brannstrom
 Greeter: Randy Grobe
 Opening word: Virg Jurrens
 Music: Mary Mennes, Harley Skjervem
 Checkpoint: Marv Beatty, Terry Stewart
 Drawing: Scott Kramer
 ASA Ski Program

Announcements:

Our next meeting, March 2, will be at Bethany United Methodist Church at 3910 Mineral Point Road.

Reminder: The 2018 Youth and Community Grant Application forms have been updated for 2018 and are posted on our web site. The application deadline is April 1, 2018 (post marked). Application forms are available at check-in.

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for March 9 (10:15 am) at Covenant. The Foundation trustees are meeting on March 9 (1:00 pm) at Covenant. Members are welcome to both.

Important Date

Date	Event
March 9 (10:15)	Board of Directors Meeting Covenant
March 9 (1:00)	Foundation Trustees Meeting Covenant
March 10	Stoughton Kiwanis Breakfast Stoughton High School
March 15	Application Deadline Rothe Memorial Leadership Scholarships
March 24	Midyear Conference Easter Seals Respite Camp, WI Sells
April 1	Application Deadline Youth and Community Grants

Meeting Time and Location

Fridays, 11:45 am

Covenant Presbyterian Church

326 South Segoe Road, Madison, WI

Web site: www.madisonwestkiwanis.com

Email: Admin@madisonwestkiwanis.com

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/madisonwestkiwanis

Announcements:

Randy Hansen reported **Brian Rodeck** is at home recovering from recent back surgery. Randy circulated a 'Get well' card for members to sign.

Participating in the Midvale School second grade history classes on February 22 were **Marv Beatty, Steve Genheimer, Ed Reisch, Ken Saville, Ron Schuler** and **Terry Stewart**. These Kiwanians shared their experiences since their second grade with five classes, one class at a time.

Participating in a interclub with Madison Aktion Club were **Bruce Dewey, Harold Green, Ed Reid, Ron Schuler** and **Dave Wendricks**. The Aktion is a Kiwanis club having members with disabilities. Ed provided the program with a excellent magic show. The Aktion club is sponsored by the Madison East Kiwanis Club.

Participating in the Midvale Lunch Buddies on February 21 were **Bonnie Hansen** and **Ken Saville**. The next Lunch Buddies program will be March 6, **Jim Danner** and **Steve Genheimer** are signed up.



Bonnie Hansen and **Ken Saville** having lunch with four Midvale students

Bruce Hoehne reported opportunities to volunteer for UW-Madison activities:

1. Badger Basketball – February 25
2. WIAA Wrestling – February 22-24
3. WIAA Wrestling (Team) – March 2-3
4. WIAA Basketball – March 15-17
5. UW Band Concert – April 19 - 21
6. Commencement – May 11, 12

If interested in volunteering, contact Bruce.

Club Officers (2016-2017)

President:	Arlin Brannstrom
Vice President	Bob Cropp
Secretary	Ron Schuler
Treasurer:	Randy Grobe
Past President	Millard Johnson
Board of Directors	
Ken Saville	Brian Martin
Scott Kramer	Tom McCrill
Brian Rodeck	Harley Skjervem

Members and spouses attending the Bellville Kiwanis Club Chili Dinner on February 18, were **Bruce Hoehne** (Nancy), **Harold Green** (Beverly), **Tom McCrill** (LaVonne), **Ed Reisch** (Mary Lou), **Ken Saville** (Lois), **Ron Schuler** and **Chuck Stumpf** (Dianne).

The Stoughton Kiwanis Club has scheduled their Annual Pancake Breakfast on March 10, 7:30 am to 11:00 am in the Stoughton High School Cafetorium. This another interclub opportunity.

The Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis District has scheduled three midyear conferences: West Bend, WI; Wisconsin Dells, WI and Iron River, MI. The midyear in Wisconsin Dells will be at Easter Seals Respite Camp on March 24. These conferences provide an opportunity to learn more about Kiwanis. The best part of these conferences is to meet Kiwanians from other clubs and gain ideas that we can use. Contact **Ron Schuler** if interested.

Previously, **Ed Reisch** announced the Madison School Foundation has scheduled their largest fundraiser attended by their Circle of Friends on May 23. Ed also announced the Adopt-a-school Summit scheduled for May 3 at the Door Creek Church in Madison.

On Wednesday, February 21, **Bonnie Hansen** and **Ken Saville** presented Midvale School Principal Becky Galvan our annual payment of \$1,000 for the school. In the past Principal Galvan used the annual funds for bird watching/feeding equipment, computer 'mice' and garden equipment.



(l-r) **Bonnie Hansen, Ken Saville** and **Becky Galvan**

