

Nibbles

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100 for 100!

What???

President James Glessner announces plans for the new Kiwanis year at Monday's board meeting. One of his ambitious goals is 100 members for our 100th anniversary! Current membership is 70. Now that is a "What?" moment! See page 4 more President Jim's plans. Additional details in this edition of Nibbles!



Lieutenant Governor Ken Saville installs 2021 Kiwanis officers and directors. Pictured left to right are; Shirley Eells, president elect; Amanda Gerber vice president; James Glessner, president; Ron Spielman, board member; Patrick Bodell, past president; Beth Kindschi, secretary; David Mosher, board member and Ken Saville. The installation took place outdoors Thursday September 17, 2020 at the Kiwanis youth cabin. Not pictured are treasurer Erik Haworth, and board members Jane Paradowski, Sue Curran, Danielle Hanusa and Nanci Valentino. Now past-President Patrick Bodell said that it was an honor to serve. President Jim Glessner is looking forward to serving for the 100th anniversary of Monroe Kiwanis and his 50th year of membership!



Your Monroe Club

- > Sponsors Boy Scout Troop 101
- > Sponsors Builders, K-Kids and Key Clubs
- > Maintains the Youth Cabin and Scout Bldg.
- > Supports Boy Scout Canyon Camp
- > Sponsors early childhood development and pre-school literacy
- > Has raised and distributed more than One Million dollars in support of youth and community projects!

Winner: WIUM
District 2014-15
Newsletter
Contest

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Patrick Bodell presents Kiwanis member of the year recognition to Nanci Valentino. Recognitions took place September 17th the Youth cabin.

Also receiving legion of honor recognition was Charles Kuch (not pictured) Thank you Chuck for 25 years of membership!

Wednesday noon meetings starting October 28th

After research and survey the board has decided to change our meeting date to Wednesdays! Starting October 28th we will be back at Turner Hall. The luncheon menu is being developed. The cost will be \$12.

A consideration is that Turner Hall is a non-profit and needs our support.



Message from Kiwanis International President Art Riley, 2020-21 Kiwanis International President

I am honored and excited to send you this message as we begin a new Kiwanis year.

As the 2020-21 president, I look forward to making this year special. We are emerging from a year that presented remarkable challenges — and showed the resilience of the Kiwanis family.

Some of those challenges remain, but so does the spirit that makes this organization so important to children around the world.

I have seen that importance myself. As a Kiwanis club member for 40 years, I know the many ways Kiwanis changes children's lives. I also know the impact helping children has on Kiwanis members. That's why the opportunities of Kiwanis membership are so important to me.

One of those opportunities is leadership. This year, I look forward to helping Kiwanis continue that tradition. In fact, I want to help our organization emphasize that strength.

I believe that Kiwanis will someday be known in communities as a resource for training and developing leaders, inside and outside the organization. And I believe we can start down that path this year.

It's just one of the many possibilities that make me optimistic about 2020-21 and beyond. I hope you are as eager as I am to get started Kids need Kiwanis more than ever. Let's do all we can for them during the next 12 months — and make the world a better place in all the communities where we serve.

Ron Spielman recognized at September 17th Kiwanis meeting

Ron Spielman was recognized by the Monroe Kiwanis Thursday receiving the legion of honor for his 50 years of membership. He also received the James Gordee Kiwanian of the year award for exemplary service to the youth in our area. Jim Gordee's daughter Jo Ellen Mosher and husband Dave presented the award recognizing Ron for his over 50 years of service in Kiwanis, Boy Scouts, community Foundation, Green County board of supervisors, United Way, Monroe Arts Center, Main Street, Monroe Senior Center board, Monroe Clinic and Hospital foundation, and Blackhawk technical college. This list could go on!

Ron and his wife Jennifer moved to Monroe in the fall of 1970 after graduating from UW law school and his commitment to the military. He joined the Art Benkert law firm where Art got him involved in Kiwanis. Ron's career changed to the trust department at what is now Wisconsin Bank and finally to a multitude of roles at the Monroe Clinic and Hospital. Ron was an early partner with Scott Thompson at Big Radio.

Congratulatory were given by Jo and Dave as well as Bobbie (Benkert) Bernet, Lee Binkley (scouting), Linda Gebhardt (community foundation), Jane Sybers and Mike Sanders (Monroe Clinic and Hospital foundation), Matt Urban (Blackhawk technical college)

In receiving the award Ron recalled serving with Jim Gordee in scouting and Kiwanis at the Youth cabin and youth service Key club and builders club. "That connection made this award very meaningful."

The award was presented at a socially distant event outside the Youth cabin overlooking the 10-acre parcel for the youth of our area.



Jo Ellen and Dave Mosher presented Ron with the Gordee award for service to youth

Hello fellow Kiwanians:

Welcome to the 20-21 Kiwanis year!

Some observations:

Al Hanusa updated the Board of Directors on the Candy sale this year at the Oct. 5 Board meeting.

There WILL BE some operational changes. Look elsewhere in Nibbles for instructions or via email.

Start arranging your orders NOW!!!!

Since this will be Monroe Kiwanis 100th anniversary, look for some exciting opportunities in 20-21.

1) I am proposing a community-wide open house at Turner Hall Grand Hall sometime next summer, providing the pandemic eases off.

2) When yours truly joined the club back in the 70's, we had more than 100 members. With folks moving, illnesses, etc., we have dropped to 70 members this year. I am proposing the club strive for "100 for Our 100th!" This means we need 30 new members! Kiwanis International has dropped all new member add fees until Dec. 31.

What an opportunity: we can add members this year and it will not cost them a penny until the 21-22 year. So get out your friends list, co-workers, relatives, whomever, and offer them this opportunity. Good only until Dec. 31! Let's make Monroe Kiwanis shine brightly for our 100th year.

3) After meeting via Zoom and at the Youth Cabin for most of this year, I am pleased to announce that we will be starting Turner Hall Ratskellar meetings again on Oct. 28. Yes, the 28th, that is a Wednesday (which is new). Turner can only accommodate us on Wednesdays due to staffing issues. Meal cost will go up to \$12. We will have all the details in the near future. We will observe social distancing, wear masks (unless eating), and the usual pandemic stuff.

4) Also in this issue of Nibbles you will find my appointments of responsible areas for the various Board members. I have named some folks to committee assignments BUT, I desire every club member volunteer for a committee assignment. Make your choice and email it back to me at:

cheeseforme@charter.net.

President Jim



**KIWANIANS: Choose a Committee to serve on
And Notify Jim @ cheeseforme@charter.net
Kiwanis Board Committees, Board reps, chairs**

House: Nanci Valentino (Board and Chair) Committee: Jim Munro, Jud Kindschi

Programs: Shirley (Board) Assists from Ron, Jim, Linda, Amanda, others

Membership: Dave (Board) (committee chair: Bobbie) mbrs: Nikki, Szvon, Linda

Sponsored youth: Beth (Board) (Committee chair: Teresa)

Young children: Beth (Board & committee chair)

Youth services: Dave and Ron (Board)

Cabin: Bernie Robertson (Committee) Dave, Jim, Keith, Bill
Spontak, Dennis

Scouting: Lee Binkley (Committee chair) mbrs: Rick, Jim Munro

Storage shed (Bill Spontak, Dave)

Scholarships: Linda (Board and Committee chair) mbrs: Ron, Amanda,

Fund Raising: Danielle (Board)

Candy: Al Hanusa (Committee chair) Bill Bethke, (reporting)

Tractor Pull: Nikki and Andy (Committee chairs)

Disc golf: Al and Danielle (Committee chairs)

Gumballs: Dave Mosher

Fair Ice Cream stand: Nanci (Board & chair)

Public Relations: Patrick (Board)

Website: Patrick

Facebook: Patrick and Jim (administrators)

Editors: Dave, Mary S, Bobbie, Patrick, Jim

Nibbles: Dave (Board)

Financial Review: Steve (Board and Committee chair)

Past Presidents Committee: Patrick (Board)

Imm Past President responsible for obtaining candidates for next election (April 2021)

Patrick and other past presidents act as advisory group to current president: includes

Danielle, Dave, Judie

Asst. Secretary: Jane (takes minutes in case Beth is unavailable)



Information on Kiwanis Candy.

1. Candy is ordered in the Spring. We lowered the order this year from 850 cases last year to 700 cases this year. We do have about 70 cases left over from last year.
 2. The price of the candy will remain the same as last year from Colony Brands. Therefore, the price of the candy will remain the same at \$17 per tin.
 3. Orders should be sent to Wendy so that she can do the accounting at the November 5th pick up date. (She is included in this message and email is the best option as she is working from home).
- Pick up will be from 10am to 2pm on November 5th at the same door as normal on the North side of the main building.

Changes to pick up due to COVID will be as follows:

1. Everyone will stay in their cars.
2. Everyone will stay at least 6 ft away from each other.
3. Everyone will wear a mask.
4. This will keep both Colony Brands and any Kiwanians safe.
5. People picking up will wait in line until they reach the door.
6. They will roll down their window and give their name and number of cases to Wendy.
7. Wendy will not be allowed to collect any money, nor hand anyone a receipt.
8. The person will open their trunk or back hatch.
9. Product will not be loaded into the side doors of cars or vans to make sure that we are staying more than 6 ft from all people picking up.
10. Al will load the amount into the back of the vehicle.



In 1961 the Candy Sales for Kiwanis totaled \$4,600 as shown in the photo above.

Kiwanis Club of Monroe – Board Minutes October 5, 2020

Members present: Patrick Bodell, Shirley Eells, Linda Gebhardt, Amanda Gerber, Jim Glessner, Danielle Hanusa, Beth Kindschi, Steve Kundert, Dave Mosher, Jane Paradowski and Ron Spielman. Excused Erik Haworth and Nanci Valentino.

No outside presentations

At 1201, call to order by President Jim via Zoom.

Secretary's report-September minutes reviewed and no additions suggested.

Treasurer's report -The Foundation account has \$1,740.33. Administrative account balance \$6,816.18(as dues are being collected). Activities \$30,131.07. Erik also proposed a budget for next year with Jim suggesting a higher amount set aside for the 100th anniversary celebration.

Secretary and Treasurer reports moved to be approval by Dave, second by Jane and accepted.

Funding Requests – none

President's report- none

Committee Reports – Reports from active committees:

House: Jim and Patrick have been working together on finding foul weather meeting options. They have polled members on meeting suggestions for November and beyond. Turner Hall is available on Wednesdays only. After some discussion we decided to go back to Turner Hall on Wednesday October 28th, the cost is \$12 for a plated meal with salad, soup and a drink including tax and tip. In the meantime, we will have 1 more zoom meeting and 2 Youth Cabin meetings the next 3 Thursdays. A ZOOM connection will also continue to be available until the COVID situation is resolved.

Club meetings – Shirley has meetings planned through the end of the month. We need to do the annual club training on Youth Protection as soon as it fits into her schedule.

Membership: Jim has created a membership goal of 100 members for our 100th yea!! We sit at 70 members today. The board discussed some membership gain ideas and opportunities including encouraging satellite clubs. KI is waving the new member add fee until December 31st so members joining until then will get a FREE year.

Youth Services- Youth Cabin – Bernie is staying on for now to watch the youth cabin. Canyon Camp is using the monies allotted for the Work weekend and Woodcutter's Ball to make camp improvements. Campsites are also being rented to BSA families to help support the camp and give families a place to enjoy nature.

Sponsored Youth: Key Club is now meeting virtually via Google Classroom, next meeting is October 15th at 9:15 AM.

Fundraising – Candy price will remain \$17 per tin. 700 tins have been ordered. Candy delivery will still be on November 5th but will have a no contact pick-up. Detailed instructions on ordering candy and pick-up can be found in the Nibbles. Bobbie Bernet will once again be asked to share her candy promotion letter and Facebook "ad". Dave will try to contact the gumball guy to see how that is going.

Young Children – books were ordered for WIC and not needed for the foreseeable future. We are looking for locations willing to GIVE AWAY books to young children.

Human and Spiritual Values – keep in touch with one another.

Public Relations: Patrick will add Nibbles to our website. He also plans to put together a proposal on how we can get more publicity out of our Facebook account.

Other Old Business: none

New Business: none

At 1257 Patrick suggested we adjourn, second by Linda and passed.

Next meeting is November 2nd at 1200, electronically

Respectfully submitted by Beth Kindschi, Secretary

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September 25, 2020

Kiwanians—

Thank you for taking time from your busy lives to share an hour with me through the screen on a beautiful day. Thanks especially to Nancy for the Dutch apple and cherry pies!

It was thoughtful of someone to pay for my Kiwanis International membership. I have been a member of Kiwanis for 33 years and appreciate what Kiwanis stands for.

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2020-2021 Monroe Kiwanis Officers

President	Jim Glessner
President Elect	Shirley Eells
Vice President	Amanda Gerber
Imm Past President	Patrick Bodell
Secretary	Beth Kindschi
Treasurer	Erik Haworth

Nibbles Editor: Dave Mosher

Directors:

<u>Term Expires Sept. 30, 2021</u>	<u>Term Expires Sept. 30, 2022</u>
Ron Spielman	Danielle Hanusa
Jane Paradowski	Nanci Valentino
David Mosher	

Term Expires Sept. 30, 2023

Linda Gebhardt
Steve Kundert

Board meeting 1st Monday of Month Via Zoom