



Nibbles

A publication of the Kiwanis Club of Monroe, Wis.

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Monroe Club has been named a "Distinguished club" for last year. Past President Jim Glessner accepted the banner patch from Past Governor Jean Manteufel at the Madison mid-year conference March 26th. Madison West and Monroe Clubs were the only two clubs to be named as such in the entire Division 5!

Youth Cabin workday scheduled for May 6

Volunteers are needed (6 to 8 Kiwanians) for this annual event whereby MHS sends a large group of students to assist with various projects. Dave Mosher has issued a call for tools, supplies, shovels, pitch forks and wheelbarrows (at least 15 needed!) There will be two truckloads of wood chips to be spread on trails.

The two cabin screen doors will be removed and will be repaired at MHS.

On site projects include:

Stacking wood in the wood shed

Inside cabin cleaning

On Alice Howe Trail: replace posts, redo signs, replace plexiglass and screws

Cut back berry bushes and other overgrown foliage on trails

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Your Monroe Club

- > Sponsors Boy Scout Troop 101
- > Sponsors Builders 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!



Easter Egg Hunt

The event will be on Saturday, April 9th from 11:00am – 12:00 p.m. at three different locations. If you have not registered with President Shirley, just show up at either of these parks: Twining, Northeast, or Recreation. At each location they will be doing an Empty Egg Hunt, where kids will get to go and "hunt" for empty eggs throughout the park before turning them in to receive their Easter Surprise full of toys and candy! If it rains Park and Rec will switch to a drive-thru event like last year!

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Monroe club traditionally contributes to the WIUM KDF (Kiwanis District Foundation). Here President Shirley Eells presents KDF president Jim Burmeister with the Monroe contribution at the Madison mid-year conference Saturday.



Your delegates to the Madison mid-year conference included Past. Gov. Jud Kindschi, secretary Beth Kindschi, and President Shirley Eells. Past Pres. Jim was taking the photo.

Below are the banner patches that were received by the club at the conference.

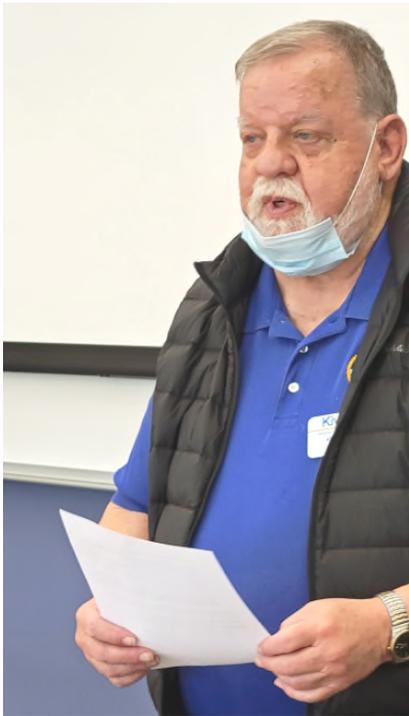




All About Russia—Secretary Beth Kindschi spoke to Kiwanians last week about a trip she and Jud took to Russia a few years ago. It was mainly a 15-day river cruise on the Volga going through 15 locks. She noted they spent 3 days in Moscow and saw the Kremlin, which is really the seat of the city government; the real power center is just off the square. She noted they had a guide (26-27 year-old lady) who noted the people hated Putin. She also noted that common folks “had their own way of getting the truth.” Beth also described the intricacies of government housing, spend 3 days in St. Petersburg, and saw a monastery that was built in 1310 and was still functioning.



Front cover of the Monroe Park and Rec brochure that was recently distributed in the city. Past Pres. Jim annually surveys how many times Kiwanis is mentioned in the publication. This year must have been an all time record: 30 mentions, either via text, logo, or photos. WDW



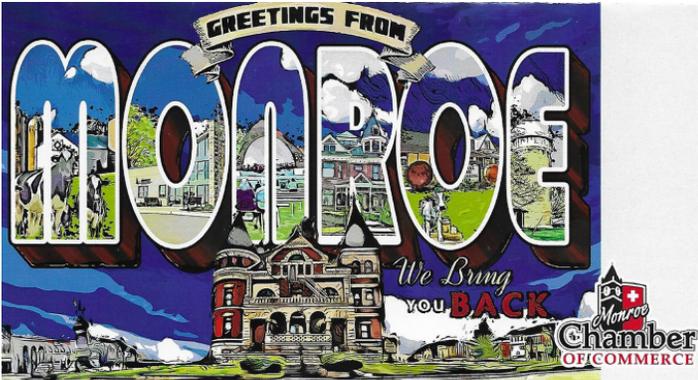
Lt. Gov. Ken Saville (Division 5) addressing division delegates Saturday at the Madison mid-year conference!



One of our newest businesses was introduced by owner Kevin Visel at a recent meeting.

In the old Black Walnut Kitchen space on the east side of the square, (photos above) Sunrise Donuts now offers donuts as you like to decorate them (see photo of the many ways you can enjoy a morning surprise!)

Kevin is also redoing the building's upper floors. The second floor is a developed residential space, but Kevin started from scratch on the third floor which now houses an upscale bnb looking out on the Square.



Upcoming conventions:
 Kiwanis International is in Indianapolis from June 8-11, 2022.
 Our district convention is in Fond du Lac Aug. 12-14, 2022.



St. Patrick's Day fun—Mainstreet Monroe's Jordan Norby (left) reviewed the downtown upcoming events and Tracy Hamilton gave a rundown on St. Patrick's day events. Tracy recapped the great Irish immigration to America as a result of the potato famine. He also traced his Irish ancestry. Here are some surprising statistics from Tracy: Green County is 17 % Irish! There are 11 U.S. cities named Dublin. Nine of those signing the Declaration of Independence were Irish. A poll of Kiwanians in the room as to who could trace Irish ancestry resulted in 14 members raising their hands! We also were visited by an Irish troll (photo right)



Youth cabin continued from page 1

- Spread new mulch on trails
(will need teams of filler, driver, dumper, spreader)
- Repaint posts (need paint/brushes & post hole digger)
- Fill and build up "washed out" trail areas
- Clear branches from creek and move into wooded area
- Reroute some trail areas
- 'Flag' the Howe trail
- Clean roof of winter structure

(Snacks and water will be provided)



*Monroe Kiwanis
Meets Thursday Noon
At Swiss Alps
On a weekly basis*

- March 31st—Troy Pittz from Alliant Energy on Electric Cars
- April 7th—SOAR Program & LAUNCH Program with Cara Carper
- April 14th—Deb with Busy Bee Floral
- April 21st—Bridget Craker with Green Co. Public Health on Radon and Water Testing
- April 28th—John Wytttenbach (Optimist President) on Davinci Powder Coating
- May 5th---
- May 12th--- Joe Spair, Pellitteri Waste Systems



Kiwanis Youth Cabin, located on a 10-acre site on Youth Cabin Rd., has served children and adults with outdoor experiences since 1954.

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