



Nibbles

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A publication of the Kiwanis Club of Monroe, Wis.

Half a dozen shots of the Baker's Dozen project dreamed by Kiwanian Rick Malisewski to provide 400 area families with ingredients to make homemade treats and memories for the holidays!



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Note from the editor

To encourage readership and to gain more exposure, we are going to have a weekly contest. There will be a nibble of cheese hidden somewhere in every newsletter! Find the cheese and reply and you will be in a weekly drawing for a prize! Hint: it is not the cheese the mouse is holding!

Our November 16th meeting was our Kiwanis International webinar on Youth protection. It matters.
Resources available on Kiwanis.org

Why Youth Protection Matters

- Through KYP, Kiwanis serves over 300,000 youth program members each year.
- Youth and families count on us to look after their well-being.
- To learn and grow, first you have to be safe.



Questions & Requests

- ✉ Backgroundchecks@Kiwanis.org
- ✉ YouthProtection@Kiwanis.org
- ✉ CultureofCare@Kiwanis.org



Mason Le Starge talked about holistic horse therapy at our December 7th meeting
Mason visited us from the Country View Equestrian Center at N2192 Clarno Rd. in Monroe.



Mason talked about using horses in mental health situations. People can make an appointment to vent and groom or just read a book to a horse. The horse is non-judgmental and sometimes helps people understand their real issues.

See the last page of Nibbles to learn about December/January program opportunities.
Mark your calendar for a program that interests you!
See you Thursday at Turner Hall

NIBBLES

St Victor's K Kids in action

Paper products drive was completed December 4th and delivered to Family Promise. They are also working on a "Gratitude Calendar" creating something they are grateful for each day of the month. Brittany Klitzke is their advisor.



Kiwanis vice president, Luke Smetters is "Dreaming of a White Christmas" starring as Jim Hardy in the Monroe Theatre Guild's production of Irving Berlin's "Holiday Inn". The play was fantastic and Luke...let's just sat "WOW!"

What a lead in to our December 14th program! Denise Plattenberg will talk about the Monroe Theatre Guild (MTG) upcoming season and about running the theatre!



In case you missed it.

Jim Glessner's annual grade school recital of "When the Frost is on the Punkin" was preformed at our November 16th meeting. It made for an interesting spell check for your editor.

When the Frost is on the Punkin JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock,
 And you hear the kyouck and gobble of the struttin' turkey-cock,
 And the clackin' of the guineys, and the cluckin' of the hens,
 And the rooster's hallylooyer as he tiptoes on the fence;
 O, it's then's the times a feller is a-feelin' at his best,
 With the risin' sun to greet him from a night of peaceful rest,
 As he leaves the house, bareheaded, and goes out to feed the stock,
 When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

They's something kindo' harty-like about the atmusfere
 When the heat of summer's over and the coolin' fall is here—
 Of course we miss the flowers, and the blossums on the trees,
 And the mumble of the hummin'-birds and buzzin' of the bees;
 But the air's so appetizin'; and the landscape through the haze
 Of a crisp and sunny morning of the airly autumn days
 Is a pictur' that no painter has the colorin' to mock—
 When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

The husky, rusty russel of the tossels of the corn,
 And the raspin' of the tangled leaves, as golden as the morn;
 The stubble in the furries—kindo' lonesome-like, but still
 A-preachin' sermons to us of the barns they growed to fill;
 The strawstack in the medder, and the reaper in the shed;
 The hosses in theyr stalls below—the clover over-head!—
 O, it sets my hart a-clickin' like the tickin' of a clock,
 When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock!

Then your apples all is gethered, and the ones a feller keeps
 Is poured around the celler-floor in red and yeller heaps;
 And your cider-makin' 's over, and your wimmern-folks is through
 With their mince and apple-butter, and theyr souse and sausage, too! ...
 I don't know how to tell it—but ef sich a thing could be
 As the Angels wantin' boardin', and they'd call around on *me*—
 I'd want to 'commodate 'em—all the whole-indurin' flock—
 When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock!

BINGO!

Our November 30th program got Kiwanians off their seats! Fun event. Thanks Luke!



Kiwanis BINGO

<i>Bobbie</i> Speaks 2 or more languages	Has a \$100 bill in their pocket <i>Stacy</i>	<i>Luke</i> Has run a marathon	Loves camping <i>Amanda</i>	Was born in another state <i>Dani C</i>
<i>Ron</i> Is not on Facebook	Has had a perm <i>Stacey</i>	Enjoys cooking or baking <i>Beth</i>	Has a tattoo <i>Ashley</i>	Has been to Asia <i>Bobbi</i>
<i>Bobbie</i> Plays a musical instrument <i>etc</i>	Is left handed <i>Luke</i>	FREE SPACE	Has lived on a farm <i>Ron</i>	Has been to more than 40 states <i>Bobbi</i>
Has been to Europe <i>Dave</i>	Has twins in their family <i>Dave</i>	Doesn't like chocolate <i>Stacy</i>	Has met someone famous <i>Nicholas Sparks</i>	Read 5 or more books this summer <i>John</i>
Owens more than 30 pairs of shoes <i>ASHLEY</i>	Has been on a cruise ship <i>JO</i> <i>Joni C</i>	Loves Christmas <i>Bobbi</i>	Has been to Africa <i>Luke</i>	Likes spicy food <i>Bobbi</i>

Kiwanis Club of Monroe: More than 100 Years of Service!

The time has never been better for YOU to be part of this dynamic service club.
Learn, listen, laugh and make our community strong!



WHAT? Kiwanis International is a global community of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. Kiwanians serve communities in more than 80 countries, and we've been an integral part of Monroe since 1921. The results of our many local projects are all over town...you would be amazed at the impact of the Monroe Kiwanis Club in our community.



WHEN? Our Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday noon for lunch, social time and a short program featuring civic leaders and news about area happenings and community events. Come when you can.



WHY? Make a positive impact in our community. Learn something new every week. Have lunch with friends. Listen to experts talk about community events and institutions. Discover shared interests. Laugh a little. Learn a lot. Have fun. Catch the energy of Monroe Kiwanis.



WHAT SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES DOES THE MONROE CLUB OFFER? Many members help with our annual Disc Golf Tournament, clean-up at our Kiwanis Youth Cabin, work days at Canyon Boy Scout Camp, or occasional other service projects. You choose what fits your schedule and abilities.



HOW DOES THE MONROE CLUB RAISE MONEY? We sell premium chocolate macadamia nut candy every fall, which is made exclusively for us by Colony Brands. Many of us also help with food stands at the Cheese Days craft fair, the Fall Nationals tractor pull and the county fair.



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Kiwanis Club of Monroe New Member Information Form

PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION Name: First _____ Middle _____ Last _____
Gender: _____ Birthday: _____ Home Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Home Phone: _____
Mobile Phone: _____ Will you have a seasonal address? Yes / No
Email address for club correspondence: _____ Spouse/Partner Name: _____
Birth Date: _____ Wedding Date: _____

WORK INFORMATION Company Name: _____ Company Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Title: _____
Work Phone: _____ Kiwanis snail mail to: Home / Work

SERVICE INFORMATION Do you belong to another Kiwanis Club? Yes / No If yes, club name: _____
Were you a previous Kiwanis member? Yes / No If Yes, Membership Years: _____
Do you belong to another service club? Yes / No Club Name (s): _____

KIWANIS COMMITTEE INFORMATION Committee Preference (circle all that interest you): Youth Cabin, Key Club, Builder's Club, K Kids, Youth Services (Scouts), Fundraising, Membership, House (set up for meetings), Scholarships, Don't Know

I accept this application for membership and agree to conform to the bylaws of this club and comply with the obligations of membership as explained to me by my sponsor.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Biographical info to share with the club during your induction:

Are you currently volunteering in your community? Yes / No if yes, where do you volunteer and approximately how many hours per month?

Contact Ashley Grindle , membership chair, with new member prospects. Our new member form is also on our website: www.kiwanisofmonroe.org.

SEND IN YOUR CANDY MONEY

Send checks to our candy lady :

Wendy Schmoldt

2532 1st St.

Monroe WI 53566

To make accounting easier, send **ONLY** checks! If you receive cash for a candy sale, deposit it in your checking account and write a personal check to Monroe Kiwanis and send to

Kiwanis Club of Monroe –Board Minutes December 4 , 2023

Members present: Stacy Cavanaugh, Patrick Bodell, Brandi Moon, Linda Gebhardt, Amanda Gerber, Erik Haworth, Beth Kindschi, Dave Mosher, Luke Smetters, Ron Spielman, Ashley Reider, and Toni Voegeli. **Excused:** David Cavanaugh and Danielle Hanusa **Absent:** Steve Kundert and Nanci Valentino

The meeting was called to order by President Stacy at 1206.

Secretaries Report-To accept moved by Ashley, second by Linda to accept report as emailed, passed.

Treasurer's report-The Foundation account has \$7,412.59, Administrative account balance \$7,802.02 Activities \$38,160.52. Luke moved the report be accepted, second by Ron and passed.

Funding Requests- none this month

Committee Reports –Reports from active committees:

Membership: Cindy Wilson and Kevin Zimmerman were proposed for membership by Patrick, second by Ron and passed.

Club meetings/House – Luke has scheduled through January, meeting speaker info will be published in the Nibbles.

Dave asked for speaker details he can publish when they are available.

Fundraising: The candy has been distributed. There is NONE left at the Colony. The bill has been paid and the money is coming in from those who have not yet paid for their candy. Beth suggested we get feedback from our customers to help plan for the order next year.

Storage Building/Youth Cabin – the cabin calendar is filling up. Looks like it will be used every weekend this winter. Research is being done to gather the history of the Alice Howe trails and the club will be given a copy when it is completed.

Sponsored Youth: Builders Club has finished the food drive and delivered the goods to the food pantry. The toy drive has started and toys will be delivered for distribution soon.

The Northside advisor has returned and getting organized following her maternity leave.

Parkside is meeting with 25-30 kids per meeting.

St Vic's gathered paper products and gave them to Family Promise.

Public Relations/Nibbles – Dave has been having issues with mailing the Nibbles. He will be mailing it to his daughter Teresa Keehn who has no problem until his issues have been resolved. Ashley volunteered to be the keeper of the most current email list.

New Business: Ron proposed we give \$5 per member to the District Foundation, second by Luke and passed.

Dave proposed we donate \$5 per member to the Kiwanis Children's Fund (International Foundation), second by Ashley and passed.

At 1247 Luke moved the meeting be closed, second by Beth and passed.

Next meeting, will be on January 8th at noon, Union Presbyterian Church.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Kindschi, Secretary



Dec. 14th—Denise Plattenberg, MTG upcoming season and running the theatre

Dec. 21st—Morgan Kenison, the aging & disability resource center (ADRC) learn about the valuable resources provided in Green County

Dec. 28th—Britta Peterson, Britta will share her own personal experience of living with dwarfism

Jan. 4th—Christie Johnson, learn about behavioral health

***Monroe Kiwanis
Meets Thursday Noon
At Turner Hall, 1217 17th Ave.
Monroe***



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



See you at Turner Hall

- Convenient location
- Great food
- Private dining area
- Informative programs
- Kiwanis service updates
- Great conversation
- Support our Swiss heritage
- Bring a friend

2023-2024 Monroe Kiwanis Officers

President	Stacy Cavanaugh
President Elect	Luke Smetters
Vice President	David Cavanaugh
Immediate Past President	Amanda Gerber
Secretary	Beth Kindschi
Treasurer	Erik Haworth

Nibbles Editor: David Masher

Directors:

<u>Term Expires Sept. 30, 2024</u>	<u>Term expires Sept. 30, 2025</u>
Ron Spielman	Nanci Valentino
Dave Masher	Danielle Hanusa
Patrick Bodell	Toni Voegeli
Ashley Grindle	

Term Expires Sept. 30, 2026

Linda Gebhardt
Steve Kundert
Brandi Moon



Board of directors meets at noon the 1st Monday of the month at Union Presbyterian Church in Monroe. Members welcome.