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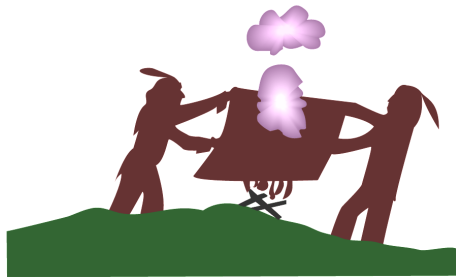
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2019-2022 Linda Bontly
2019-2022 John Janes

2020-2023 Gregg Dickinson

2021-2024 Lon Coppernoll
2021-2024 John Sarnow

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"Having Fun Serving the children of the world"

PROGRAMS

Chair: **Luci Cramer**

Sep 07 Milton Administrator Al Hulick
Sep 14 2023 City Assessments Michelle Laube
Sep 21 Horse Farming Jerry Burhans
Sep 28 Woodman's Sports and Convention Center
Sabrina Siker Bowerman
Oct 05 Club Officer Inductions and Awards

CLUB CALENDAR

Sep 07 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Sep 14 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Sep 21 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Sep 28 8:00 BOD Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens
Oct 05 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Botanical Gardens

DATE	GREETERS CHAIR: LON COPPERNOLL		RAFFLE CHAIR: Maury Frey	DEVOTIONS CHAIR: Carl Cramer	SERVERS CHAIR: G. Disrude	SINGING CHAIR:
Sep 07	Ray Cummings	David Kemp	Linda Bontly	Lon Coppernoll	Bruce Jorenby	No Singung
Sep 14	John Sarnow	Mel Limerande	John Janes	Carl Cramer	Jerry Langdok	Until
Sep 21	Steve Johnson	John Janes	Glenn Disrude	Richard Johnson	Maury Frey	Further
Sep 28	Dick Fay	Don Kellogg	Maury Frey	Carl Cramer	Glenn Disrude	Notice

September—Fall Begins 22nd—Get ready for World Series & Winter

Preidents Message

Greetings Fellow Kiwanians !

This will be my last Presidents Message after 2 years of being at the helm. Its been fun and enjoyable and I sure appreciated your support. Bruce, Bob and Roger are in the wings to lead us the next year and they will do a great job. We need everyone in the club to continue to bring in prospective members. The number one job we have is to continue to grow the membership. September brings some events we need your support on including the Farmers Market and Senior Fair. Please sign up to help us. I note the Truck on Ice committee has started work for next year and John Janes told us the order for Tree Sale has to go in soon. Mark you calendars for October 5th as we will have a nice breakfast catered from Knutes and then induct our new officers and board members. This will be a member only event and I'm pleased to note Lorrie Koppein our Lt Gov will be joining us. Please stay safe and well. Best Regards, Tom

Tom Neumann
President Blackhawk Golden K
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Blackhawk Golden Kiwanis Golf Update

As we have moved through August and now into September you might be thinking about a fall golf outing. Jerry and I have looked at golf dates, members who are playing on Thursdays, members who will be gone during September and/or October, club socials and change of location have led to the decision to postpone the fall golf outing and schedule a spring outing in May 2023. This will take place at Blackhawk Golf Course with lunch at Mac's Pizza after golfing.

We felt that the time was right for a change with many club members playing at Blackhawk, no out of town driving, supporting local businesses and good food for a good price. A special prize has been donated and will be presented to a special golfer that day.

Submitted by Glenn Disrude

Happy Birthday

Jon Flora Sep 15
Glenn Disrude Sep 26

Call to Order: 8:00 a.m. by President Neumann

Attendance

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Directors

Linda Bontly
John Janes
Greg Dickunson
Lon Coppernoll
John Sarnow

Others Present: *Luci Cramer R[chard Johnson*
Dave Thill Carl Cramer
Ron Shuler Roger Williford

Secretary's Report

Paul informed the board that he would be handing out the Kiwanis Dues notice to the membership at the Sept. 5th meeting and that the dues are increasing \$10 to cover the cost of the International increase. Please pay your dues by Oct. 1, 2022 and pay Greg Turco by check or cash in the amount of \$130. Checks should be made out to Blackhawk Golden K.

Treasurer's Report:

Greg Turco distributed the August Treasurer's Report and it showed that all accounts are liquid and in good shape. Greg stated that due to the donation to the Boy Scouts and Salvation Army, our Service Checking is down by \$1,582.

Scheduled donations for September include \$500 for Badgerland Girl Scouts, \$400 for the Kiwanis District Foundation, \$1,500 for the Boys and Girls Club, \$1,000 to the Kiwanis Children's Fund, and \$1,000 to the Blackhawk Tech College Scholarship Fund.

Greg made a motion to transfer \$5,000 from the Administrative Account to the Service Account to better fund our charitable donations and do more good in the community since we have more than enough to cover expenses for administrative purposes. John Sarnow seconded that motion and it was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Pregnancy Helpline:

After a presentation was given by two members of the Pregnancy Helpline Organization, the board was impressed enough to consider making a donation to help with the great expense of diapers, formula, clothing and other supplies and services. John Janes made a motion to donate \$1,000 to this worthy cause and it was seconded by Linda Bontly and approved.

Co-Sign Checks:

The subject of having someone to co-sign the checks that the treasurer makes out in order to guard against theft was discussed and because of the cumbersome nature of doing this, it was felt that having a year-end audit would satisfy the need for transparency.

Website Committee Update:

Greg Turco went through the website committee's final report provided by Dave Peterson. The report states that no club member has come forward to volunteer to take on the duty of website coordinator. Dave has stated that he will no longer be a resource and manage the website. The board has expressed a desire to have a website and believes that it's an important asset for the club. The committee recommends an outsourced model for our new website.

Whichever model the club chooses, the club will deter-

mine purpose and content for the site. The outsource provider will provide the design, maintenance and technical support for all aspects of the site. The club is responsible for providing current and accurate content to appear on the website. There will be an initial expense for the outsourced model and a monthly/yearly expense as well. If we have to go outside the club for a person to input the information onto the website, there will be an additional expense.

To make all of this work, the committee is recommending that the club have one Director who is not an officer be assigned the role of website coordinator. This person will be the contact channel to the outsourcer for all website info.

After some discussion, it was decided to explore a few possibilities that involve a member from the Lions Club, possibly a teacher from the Janesville school district or getting some helpful info from our Lt. Gov. Lorrie Koppen from Whitewater.

NEW BUSINESS

Awards:

Since the club will be donating \$1,000 to the Kiwanis Children's Fund and that makes us eligible for a Hixson Award, John Janes made a motion to pursue this opportunity and John Sarnow seconded the motion. It was approved.

Induction Breakfast:

Tom Neumann brought up for discussion that since the cost of this years breakfast at the awards banquet is going to cost \$16.64 per person and the club is picking up the tab, that we should consider limiting the breakfast to members only with the exception of the new officers. They could invite their wives. John Janes made a motion to approve this proposal and was seconded by Linda Bontly and approved. Tom Neumann is going to invite the Lt. Gov. for our district to the awards banquet as well.

Fundraising Ideas:

Raffles like what the Rotary club or Lions Club do raise lots of money but most of that is due to corporate sponsorship. Since we already utilize sponsorship for our Truck on Ice Project, it was felt that it wouldn't be a good idea to double dip by asking these same sponsors to help us again.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel

2023 MEDICARE SEMINAR—INFORMED CHOICE

On Thursday October 6th INFORMED CHOICE of Madison is having a 2023 MEDICARE HEALTH PLAN SEMINAR in Janesville at the HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS, 3100 Wellington PL. SESSION 1 is at 1:00pm-3:00pm, SESSION 2 is at 3:15pm-5:15pm. Rick Erickson was our guest speaker last October. I am sure he will have a lot of good information for us for 2023. See flyer on next page for more info..

Jerry Langdok

Truck on Ice 20th Year Kickoff

We are the Blackhawk Golden Kiwanis, a group of retired volunteers who are dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. For more than a century, Kiwanis has created opportunities for children to be curious, safe and healthy regardless of the community in which they live. When a child is given the chance to learn, dream, grow, succeed, and thrive, great things can happen.

The Janesville Blackhawk Golden Kiwanis is kicking off our 20th year of the truck on Ice Fundraiser. This has been our main fundraiser for 19 years. This event nets about \$10,000 per year. The need continues to grow but our ability to raise enough to support our mission has declined. We need all club members to help us have the best of the 20 years of service for the youth of our community. We use these funds to support youth programs such as early childhood development, Boy's and Girl's Club, Project 16:49, scholarships for Craig and Parker Seniors, camp for disabled children, Salvation Army, ECHO Food Pantry to name a few. We believe that we can improve the lives of area youth and help build strong community relationships.

We are always looking for new members who want to help area youth reach their potential while having some fun.

We will be successful in reaching our goal of having the best year ever because we are the Blackhawk Golden Kiwanis!



Bob Knudson, Dale Henning, Jerry Langdok, Wiley Kessinger, Maury Frey visit Art Castro before Art's move to Madison.



Maury Frey, Jerry Langdok, Bob Douglas, Dale Henning, Wiley Kessinger pay a friendly visit to Charlie Mobray at Charlie's house



PRESENTS

YOUR CHANCE TO LEARN ABOUT

2023 MEDICARE

HEALTH PLAN OPTIONS!

Join Rick Erickson, CSA®, to learn more about the exciting benefits from a trusted, major carrier starting in 2023. PLUS, see how you can easily cover the gaps in your health insurance and avoid any surprises at the doctor's office.

Busy schedule? No worries, we're offering two sessions to choose from.

Join us to get a good start on your healthcare choices for 2023!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

Holiday Inn Express Janesville, 3100 Wellington Pl, Janesville, WI 53546

SESSION 1:	SESSION 2:
1:00 – 2:15 PM 2023 Benefits Review	3:15 – 3:45 PM Filling the Gaps in Health Insurance
2:30 – 3:00 PM Filling the Gaps in Health Insurance	4:00 – 5:15 PM 2023 Benefits Review

No RSVPs necessary—seating is on a first come, first-served basis.

Looking to enhance your healthcare know-how? Join us early at **10 AM** for a special educational meeting on **Healthcare Costs in Retirement.**

Unable to attend and have questions?

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Bass Creek Golf Outing—June 23,2022—Lunch Group



Bass Creek Golf Outing—June 23,2022--Players Group



Jerry Langdock and Maury Frey visit Art Castro. Art is on the mend.