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Meeting Each Wednesday: 9:30AM @ Rotary Botanical Gardens, 1455 Palmer Dr. Janesville, WI
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President: Bob Wilcox
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Secretary: Paul Neitzel
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DIRECTORS

2021-'24	Lon Coppernoll
2021-'24	Ray Szczepiak
2022-'25	Ron Shuler
2022-'25	Dave Thill
2023-'26	Linda Bontly

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 "Improving the world one child and one community at a time"**

PROGRAMS

November Chair: *Luci Cramer*
 01 Program *UK vs. USA [Continued] by Jean Martin*
 08 Program *Farm Camp by Megan Deluge*
 15 Program *Alice in Dairyland by Ashley Hagenow*
 22 Program *Health Department by Katrina Hartwig*
 29 program *Fentanyl Epidemic by Brooke McKearn*
December
 06 Program *Fraud and BSA Officer by Angie Hoium*

NOVEMBER CLUB CALENDAR

01	9:30	<i>Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens</i>
08	9:30	<i>Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens</i>
15	9:30	<i>Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens</i>
22	8:15	<i>Board Meeting @ Rotary Gardens</i>
29	8:15	<i>Board Meeting @ Rotary Gardens</i>
	9:30	<i>Club Meeting @ Rotary Garden</i>
December		
6	9:30	<i>Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens</i>

	GREETERS <i>Chair: Lon Coppernoll</i>	RAFFLE <i>Chair: Maury Frey</i>	DEVOTIONS <i>Chair: Carl Cramer</i>	SERVER <i>Chair: Glenn Disrude</i>
Nov 01	<i>Roger Willeford & Bob Knudson</i>	<i>Linda Bontly</i>	<i>Carl Cramer</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>
Nov 08	<i>Dave Figi & Tom Neumann</i>	<i>Hamish Martin</i>	<i>Lon Coppernoll</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>
Nov 15	<i>Curly Bold & Dave Peterson</i>	<i>Bob Knudson</i>	<i>Richard Johnson</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>
Nov 22	<i>Lon Coppernoll & Dave Figi</i>	<i>Ray Szczepaniac</i>	<i>Ron Shuler</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>
Nov 29	<i>John Janes and Don Anderson</i>	<i>Steve Johnson</i>	<i>Bob Knudson</i>	<i>Dave Peterson</i>
	 November: <i>Dave Peterson</i>	REFRESHMENTS	December	<i>Glen Disrude</i>

Happy Birthday [none in November]:

Secretary's Report

BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting: 10/25/2023

Called to order by President Wilcox at 8:15 a.m.

Attendance:

OFFICERS

President:	Robert Wilcox
Past President:	Bruce Jorenby
President Elect:	Roger Willeford
Vice President:	Richard Johnson
Treasurer:	Greg Turco
Secretary:	Paul Neitzel

DIRECTORS

Lonnie Coppernoll [Abs.], Ray Szczepaniak [Abs.],
Ron Shuler, Dave Thill [Abs.], and Linda Bointly

Others Present Glenn Disrude, Luci Cramer,
Jerry Langdok, and Tom Neumann

Secretary's Report:

Paul gave an update on membership non-renewals and that he would be distributing a hard copy at the next regular meeting of member addresses, phone numbers and email addresses.

The club is currently at 43 members. The minutes were approved as printed in the Smoke Signal.

Treasurer's Report:

Greg reported an increase to our administrative checking due to the annual dues payments which the club will be billed for in late October. There was a decrease to the service checking because of a tree sale down payment. Greg also stated that our new NetSuites accounting software is working. Since KwikTrip needs to be paid weekly for the donuts, Greg proposed the idea of having a debit or credit card so checks wouldn't have to be written so often. The price of having checks printed for the club is another expense and this would be a way of reducing the number of checks written to pay bills.

Quick Look:	Income	Expenses
2020	\$4,646	\$15,472
2021	\$15,922	\$11,105
2022	\$17,691	\$15,277
2023	\$22,150	\$15,044
2024 Budget	\$19,450	\$16,580

NEW BUSINESS

December 27th Meeting:

Discussion on whether to hold a regular meeting on December 27th due to the anticipated reduced attendance was voted on by the board. It was determined that it would be unfair to line up a speaker and then have a small showing of the membership. The board voted to cancel our meeting on the 27th of Dec. and move the board meeting up one week to Dec. 20th.

Hixson Awards:

The awards have arrived and at our meeting on Nov. 1 they will be presented to Linda Bontly and Luci Cramer.

Golden K Scholarships:

Glenn Disrude gave an update on the 2023-2024 Golden K Scholarships to be given at the graduation ceremonies. One student from Craig and Parker H.S. and one student from Milton H.S. who is a resident of Janesville but attends Milton H.S. will each receive a \$1500 scholarship for a total of \$4500 to be given from Blackhawk Golden K.

Craig/Parker Closet:

Jerry Langdok will be taking up a collection from the membership on Nov. 29th for the Janesville Craig/Parker Closet to help needy students during the holiday season. The total collected will have the following parts:

Craig/Parker Closet [continued]

1. \$2000 from the club charity budget of 2024, 2. Plus member contributions collected in November, 3. Plus a club match.

The total will be equally divided between the two closets.

Craig/Parker Closet [continued]

The club match (item 3) will be a dollar for dollar match of the amount collected from the members under item 2. The total amount in the approved FY 2024 budget is a maximum of \$4400. This is listed in the budget as \$2200 for each closet. The funds will be given out in December 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

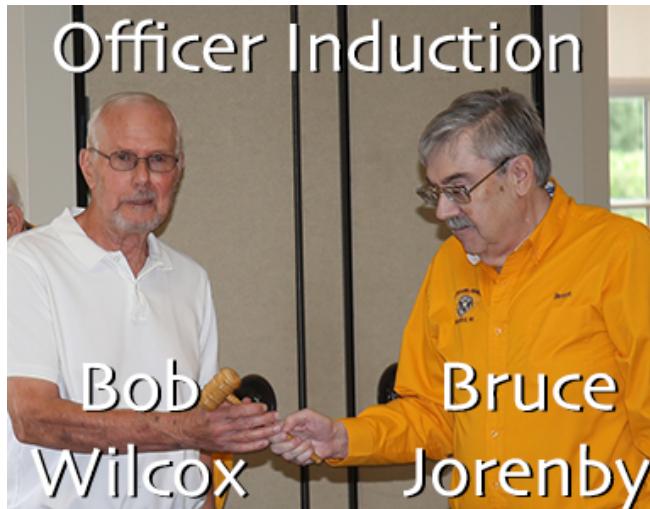
Submitted by Secretary, Paul Neitzel



October 11

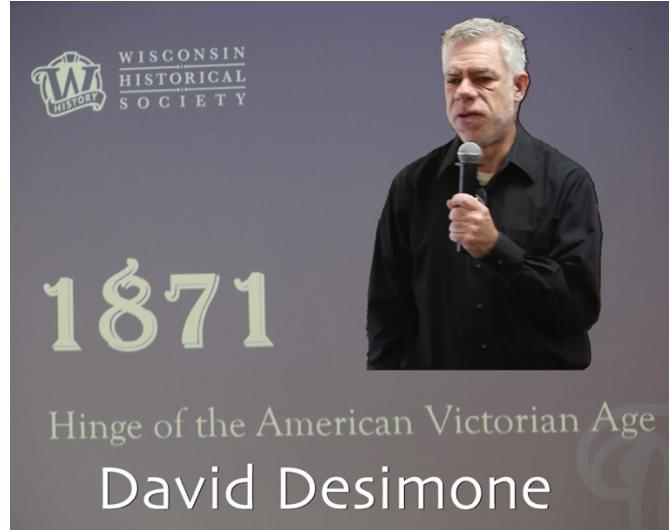
Weekly Programs

One of the many advantages of being a Kiwanis member are the programs that both enlighten and entertain members. Following is a brief glimpse back at what program chair Luci Cramer and other Kiwanis members planned for September.



October 4, 2023

Past President Bruce Jorenby presents the gavel to new president Bob Wilcox. Former Vice-President. Roger Willeford is now the President Elect and Richard Johnson is now the Vice-President.



October 18



October 25



October 4 ~ Hixson and Zeller Awards

In 1940 Walter Zeller made the first donation to the Kiwanis International Foundation. The above Janesville Golden K members have made a one year or two year pledge to the Kiwanis Eliminate Project which supports UNICEF's global efforts to administer vaccines and promote clean delivery birth practices. They received a special medallion, lapel pin and certificate. Some of the above members are also past Hixson Award winners.

October 4 ~ Hixson Awards



The first Kiwanis International President was George F. Hixson. Linda Bontly [L] and Luci Cramer [R] were awarded the Hixson Award by our Board of Directors for their outstanding contributions to our Blackhawk Golden 'K' Club which were above and beyond normal expectations.

Good News



Charlie Mowbray – Golden Kiwanis Member

On Wednesday September 27th after our Kiwanis meeting Maury Frey [L] and Jerry Langdok [R] had a nice visit with Charlie [seated]. He has been a loyal member for over 25 years. On February 26th he will turn 98 YEARS YOUNG.

Jerry related that Charlie is our oldest member, but WILEY KESSINGER is right there behind him. Jerry also said "He really looks good. Not too sure of those other 2 guys?" It is always FUN to spend some time with Charlie."