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Meeting Each Wednesday: 9:30AM @ Rotary Botanical Gardens, 1455 Palmer Dr. Janesville, WI
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President: Roger Willeford
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2022-'25 Ron Shuler
2022-'25 Dave Thill
2023-'26 Linda Bontly
2024-'27 Carl Cramer
2024-'27 Ray Szczepaniak

"KIWANIS IS A GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF VOLUNTEERS, DEDICATED TO"
"Improving the world one child and one community at a time"

PROGRAMS

February *Chair: Luci Cramer*
 05 Program BrightStar Care Services by Justin Makowan
 12 Program Chief of Fire Department by *Ryan Murphy*
 19 Program Rock Co. Hwy Commissioner Duane Jorgenson
 26 Program Eras Of Janesville by Oakleigh Ryan
March
 05 Program Rock Co. Finance Dir. By *Kristin Vander Kooi*

FEBRUARY CLUB CALENDAR

05	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
12	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
19	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
26	8:15 Board Meeting @ Rotary Gardens 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
March	
05	9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens

	GREETERS <i>Chair: Maury Frey</i>	RAFFLE <i>Chair: Maury Frey</i>	DEVOTIONS <i>Chair: Carl Cramer</i>	SERVER <i>Chair: Glenn Disrupe</i>
Feb 05	<i>Jim Farrell & Steve Skelly</i>	<i>Ryan Lewis</i>	<i>Richard Johnson</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>
Feb 12	<i>Bob Knudson & Bob Wilcox</i>	<i>John Janes</i>	<i>Ron Shuler</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>
Feb 19	<i>Dave Figi & John Sarnow</i>	<i>Ray Szczepaniak</i>	<i>Carl Cramer</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>
Feb 26	<i>Bruce Jorenby & Tom Neumann</i>	<i>Bob Knudson-</i>	<i>Bob Knudson</i>	<i>Maury Frey</i>
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			February Juice Man: Maury Frey	

BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting: 01/22/2025

Called to order by President Willeford at 8:20 a.m.

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Others Present: Glen Disrude, Luci Cramer, and Ryan Lewis.

Secretary's Report: Paul informed the board of the upcoming Kiwanis WI/Upper Mich. midyear convention which will be held on Feb. 22nd in Brookfield, WI. and April 5th in Wausau, WI. There were no corrections to the minutes and they were approved as printed in the Smoke Signal.

Treasurer's Report: Greg Turco reported that the administrative checking account was down about \$1,200 due to the Joker Pool payout of \$575 & \$371 for the Kiwanis hats. The service checking was down about \$20,000 primarily due to the payout of \$22,600 in donations to eleven charities. Greg motioned to approve the report and was seconded by Carl Cramer and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Key Club: Ray Szczepaniak stated that he has not received any response from any of the high schools regarding interest in Key Club but will keep the board posted of any further developments.

Aktion Club: Linda Bontly mentioned that she received an email from Kandu wanting to know if we as a club are going to sponsor them again regarding payment of dues and the board responded yes to that request.

Insurance Cost Committee Status: Glenn Disrude gave an update as to where the committee is so far in

regard to costs from an outside agency. At the present time, the committee is comparing costs of insurance from several independent agencies as one aspect in the decision whether or not the club would be interested in dissolving the current Kiwanis club and forming a new club. The committee wants to know if our dollars spent on dues and insurance is worth it compared to forming our own club. This is all about getting information and making comparisons so that the board and the membership will be able to make an informed decision after the committee is done with their factfinding mission.

Buddy Bench: Glenn Disrude is looking into taking the bench sample to the school district to see if they would be interested and what if any obstacles there might be. Getting permission to install benches at Kiwanis Pond is another idea for the "Buddy Bench".

Festival Brat Stand: Ray Szczepaniak said that he needs more info regarding the cost and manpower needed to run a brat stand at Festival Foods and if it is worth it to take on such a project.

NEW BUSINESS

Could our club use a boost?: Roger Willeford went through a list of ideas/thoughts on how to boost our club in the community and also attracting new members. The board and the membership will address these ideas at future club meetings.

Debit Card: Greg Turco requested approval from the board to acquire another debit card for meeting expenses such as gift cards. Greg made a motion to approve this acquisition and it was seconded by Carl Cramer and approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Submitted by Secretary,

Paul Neitzel



January 8 ~ Shar Herman

January 22 ~ Claire Gray



January 15 ~ Lisa Hurda



January 29 ~ Rock County Sheriff Curt Fell

Happy Birthday Wishes

February 6th Ray Szczepaniak

February 12th Nancy Tarco

February 13th Bob Knudson



Dan Heerey & Ryan Lewis
selling Truck On Ice tickets at Lions Quick Marts



Gregg Dickenson introducing a speaker



Ticket sale committee members record sold tickets



Don Kellogg [L] and Dick Fay [C] January 29th greeters



Steve Skelly [L] leads a 'funny bone' exercise while
Maury Frey gives a wellness report



Pre meeting table conferences