



## **BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting: 2/25/26**

Called to order by President Johnson at 8:17 a.m.

### **OFFICERS**

President: Richard Johnson  
President Elect: Tom Neumann  
Past President: Roger Willeford  
Vice President: Jim Farrell  
Treasurer: Greg Turco  
Secretary: Paul Neitzel [abs]

**Directors:** Linda Bontly, Ryan Lewis, Steve Skelly, Ray Szczepaniak [abs], and Carl Cramer.

**Others Present:** Luci Cramer.

**Treasurer's Report:** Admin was basically even, WI. Form 5 (taxes) was filed. Safety deposit box was broken and we were moved to another. Bob Wilcox is a new box and checking account signer (due to Ron Shuler's absence). Greg Turco motioned; Ryan seconded for accepting the report.

**Truck On Ice:** John Janes spoke about new signage, which is 23 years old. One of the signs' weight is optimal, the font may be improved. [John now has hundreds of new photos to choose from.] The truck will be removed on Wednesday, March 4th at 11:30a. Following that, a ticket audit will be completed, which requires 6-8 people to count tickets at Johnson Bank. While it occurs, John may be cleaning the truck up.

**Financial Report:** Jim Farrell passed out ideas for a new financial account and staged CD investments (6, 12 and 18 months to ensure fluidity of funds). It will provide better earnings than a checking account alone.

A motion was made by Jim Farrell and seconded by Steve Skelly to send 25K to the 9-month promotional Johnson Bank CD at a high return (3.8%). Ryan Lewis then detailed the ten savings accounts some time was invested in. The line of reasoning presented was to have a second bank, with a high yield

savings account, which maintains fund fluidity and will earn over \$1,000 yearly that the checking account does not.

Using a competing vendor was central to the recommendation, to ensure we do not end up repeatedly renewing CDs and not become practiced in keeping (nearly) all funds in interest-bearing vehicles.

Ryan Lewis motioned and Tom Neumann seconded we should locate a bank or investment firm for a savings or money market account that is not Johnson Bank, to move "up to \$20,000."

**Bookmobile Motion:** Jim Farrell then motioned \$10,000 to the bookmobile, seconded by Tom Neumann, to reduce the CD from 25K to 15K and sponsor the bookmobile. Discussion including them receiving the check that day, and the logo (which Ryan did provide).

Discussion occurred for who should take over the wishing wells (previously Ron Shuler). Bob Knudson was thrown under the proverbial bus.

**Easter Lilies:** Linda Bontly again explained we need leadership for Easter Lilies.

After twisting arms, it was decided four locations would be wise. Ryan Lewis somehow agreed to secure two of the locations, Sentry and BCCU. Jim Farrell will work out Festival Foods. Tom Neumann will request access to Farm and Fleet.

The shifts are two hours long, from 8a-4p, April 4th. Next week shift signups will begin.

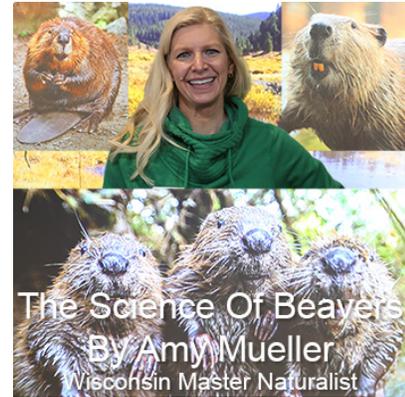
**Carnegie Connection:** Tom Neumann brought up the Carnegie Connection, a newsletter and ad opportunity for Kiwanis. It will be pursued (ask Tom to which group it belongs). All motions were unilaterally supported.

Members are encouraged to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.  
Submitted by Ryan Lewis



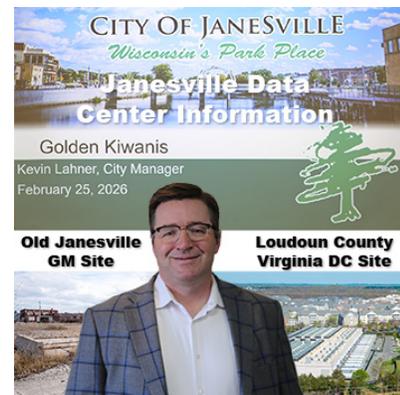
February 4 ~ John [L] & Dayton Bennett



February 18 ~ Amy Mueller



February 11 ~ Heather Hoyt & Rene Bue



February 25 ~ Kevin Lahner



Members 'show off' their projects from the John Bennett Balloon Art program on February 4<sup>th</sup>.



Luci Cramer looks on as April Wright and treasurer Greg Turco register Truck On Ice tickets.



Jim Farrell announces future speakers.



David Peterson donates raffle winnings to the T.O.I.

**Blackhawk Golden  
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*Serving Children  
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**SUPPORTING**

- High School Scholarships
- New Teacher Scholarships
- Early Literacy for Preschoolers
- Boys and Girls Club
- Craig and Parker Closets
- Camp Wawbeek for the Disabled
- Homeless Students (Project 16:49)
- Aid for New Mothers & many more

**FUNDRAISERS**

- Truck on Ice | Lily Day | Tree Sales

**COMMUNITY ACTION**

Blood Drives	Bike Race
Bell Ringing	Kiwanis Park
Meals on Wheels	Kiwanis Pond
Flag Retirement	Kiwanis Trail
Renaissance Faire	

*Mission Statement: Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.*



John Janes gives an update on the Truck On Ice results.



The timing device holding the winning ticket time!!!

**Happy  
Birthday  
Wishes**

**Bruce Jorenby**

March 2

**Gregg Dickenson**

March 13

**Ryan Lewis**

March 22



John Janes the TOI leader oversaw placement of the truck at Traxler Park Lagoon



Wednesday, February 18, 2026





Above: Davis Citgo has been an awesome supporter of the Truck On Ice event.

Below: A few Kiwanis members flank John Janes, the Truck On Ice event leader.

