

MARCH 2019

Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Oconomowoc P.O. Box 462 Oconomowoc, WI 53066 Meetings - 1st 2nd & 3rd Wednesday at 7:15 AM Café Labelle at the Life Enrichment Center-Shorehaven 1306 West Wisconsin Avenue

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



President's Corner – Jerry Schneider



March is here but is sure hard to tell by the weather. Seems like in past years we get some nice weather in March. Let's hope this year is no different.

Spring is always a great time of the year in Wisconsin when nature renews itself just like we should. We have had a couple of months to relax a little but now we look forward to another busy Kiwanis year with those "KIWANIS MOMENTS"

Having the Robotics, FFA and AFS visit us this past month reminds us of how important our club is in this community. Not only with our donations but volunteering our time

doing bingo, blood drives, ringing the bell, highway clean up, Christmas parade, helping at Healing Hearts to name a few.

Our fundraisers are just as important so we can support the groups and projects we do.

Let's get the word out and invite others to our meetings so they can join us in the great service work we do and that they too will be able to experience the great feeling of a

"KIWANIS MOMENT"



WHAT'S HAPPENING

March 6 Breakfast meeting

March 10 Turn clocks ahead

March 11 Shorehaven Bingo

March 13 Breakfast Meeting

March 13 Deadline for Radio ads

March 17 St. Patricks Day

March 20 First Day of Spring

March 20 Breakfast Meeting

March 26 Blood Drive

March 27 Board meeting

March 31 Radio Day

April 21 Easter

April 27 FFA Banquet

April 27 Highway clean up

May 4 Tree Sale

May 15 Hall of Fame



GREETER & INVOCATION

March. 6 Debbie Mauel

March 13 Leonard Schacht

March 20 Steve Schmiedlin



BILL'S BUNCH

Bill Peebles, Captain

Mark May

Colleen Meyer

Jerry Schneider

Leonard Schacht

Fred Steinlein

Fred Schnell



JOHN CAUCUTT MARCH 25TH



NONE



SPEAKERS FOR MARCH

March 6 AFS student Zain Ahmad

March 13 Tricia's Troops

March 20 Brigid Heydt

March 27 Board Meeting

RADIO DAY ON WTKM FM 104.9-March 31st 1pm to 5pm



STILL TIME TO HELP

Still some time left to sell an ad to someone you know or you do business with.

For the newer members, for this project we sell ads on WTKM-FM 104.9 in Hartford and we make a 40% commission of the ad price plus they have been giving us an additional 10% in advertising credits for the shrimp dinner, tree sale etc. This gives something of value to the business rather than just asking for a donation. In many cases the business will renew what they did the previous year. If a new ad is needed WTKM contacts the customer to put the ad together.

Dr. Rachel Oberholtzer from Hallett Veterinary Hospital will be our on air speaker from 2PM to 4PM. Let your friends know they can call in to ask questions about their animals.

Jerry

FFA VISIT



These students attended our Feb. 13th meeting and gave us an update on their activities. The farm did good this year and the green house is being prepared for the opening on May 4th. Their flowers are very good and reasonably priced. They also thanked us very much for all of our support and the financial support that includes a donation and scholarships.

They invited us to their annual banquet which will be held on Saturday evening, April 27th.

Let's get a good group together to attend. I will have a signup sheet.

KETTLE MORAINE KEY CLUB





At their meeting on February 20th the students made 10 Tie Blankets that they plan to donate to Family Promise or the homeless



At their meeting on February 6th they made about 150 Valentine Day cards which they donated to Shorehaven. The residents very much enjoyed the cards.



ROBOTICS VISIT



Three students along with this year's Robot project visited our club February 20th to update us on this vear's events and how they are preparing the robot for the contests at the end of March. It is truly amazing what these students are doing. The Robotics Club is actually outside of regular school classes. The good news is that the school is adding classes that support this activity. They mentioned how the plastic rollers they needed on the machine were quite expensive so they were able to get them made with the schools 3-D printer.

They thanked us for our continued support. It really is amazing to see how much they know about the robotics field and they are still in high school.

We made a donation of \$1000.00. \$400.00 of this will be used for the VEX group at the middle school. So many students are joining VEX which the Robotics team mentors The extra money will help them with supplies they need.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING



Jane receives a "CERTICATE OF APPRECIATION" for our participation in the bell ringing campaign for the 2018 Christmas season at the awards dinner on February 25th. Our club rang 72 hours this year (up from 52 hours last year) as there was a shortage of volunteer ringers. We collected \$5,360.94 this year up from \$3,197.00 last year. This year our average was \$74.44 per hour compared to \$61.90 last year. These are very good because the overall average comes in around \$50.00 per hour. Volunteer ringing is on the downtrend. Usually about 50% of the **Kettle collection comes from** volunteer ringing. This year only about 33% came from volunteers and the rest from paid ringers. Paid ringers are also hard to find so there were many times the buckets have no one ringing.

If you know any individuals or groups who might consider ringing ask them to attend our meeting

when we have the Salvation Army as our speaker. Possibly July or August.

Thanks to Jane for coordinating this event and thanks to everyone who rang the bell.

Another "KIWANIS MOMENT"

We will be giving a presentation to the Shorehaven residential residents at their monthly get together on Tuesday, March 5th at 9 AM at Lake Terrace Club House.

Everyone welcome to come.

A signup sheet for the drive will be ready at the meeting March 13th



Our 2nd Blood Drive for this year will be on Tuesday, March 26th

The dates for the rest of the year are as follows. All 4th Tuesdays.

May 28 July 23 September 24 November 26

Thanks to Debbie Mauel and Fred Steinlein for coordinating these drives. Their goal is to keep them successful as they have been in the past and to explore new ways to increase the donations.

Invite friends and family to donate.

Dominos will once again be donating pizza.

