



# KIWANEWS

WISCONSIN-UPPER MICHIGAN KIWANIS DISTRICT

JUNE/JULY 2022



2020-2021 Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis District Governor Jean Long Manteufel, right, shown here with, left to right, Kiwanis International Trustee Gary "Coop" Cooper and Appleton-Fox Cities signature project program chair Gregory Lawrence, introduced the Kiwanis 'n Cops 'n Kids program to the district as her Governor's project. Her Appleton-Fox Cities Kiwanis Club received the bronze Signature Project award for clubs with 28 or more members at the 2022 Kiwanis International Convention held in Indianapolis. Inset: A close-up of the bronze-level award.

## APPLETON-FOX CITIES WINS KI BRONZE SIGNATURE PROJECT AWARD

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Kiwanis members worked harder than ever over the past year to bring their communities together through impactful service, fundraisers and events. On June 9, 2022 at the Kiwanis International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, Kiwanians gathered to celebrate the best of Kiwanis clubs' signature projects.

Out of a record number of 415 contest entries, this year's six winning projects were notable for both reuniting communities and reaching out to form new connections following a turbulent year that included COVID-19 lockdowns, natural disasters and violent conflicts. Through fun outdoor events and hands-on service, these clubs promoted health, education and fellowship in creative and effective ways.

When COVID-19 caused most of the community to shut down, the Kiwanis Club of Appleton-Fox Cities still found a way to meet a need. The club created the Kiwanis 'n Cops 'n Kids Reading Together project. Members organized times for police officers to read to kids with appropriate social distancing, such as outside at Little Free Libraries. They also distributed books focusing on stories about Hmong and Latino characters so the young readers could see themselves represented.

Kiwanis 'n Cops 'n Kids was launched as Jean Long Manteufel's 2020-2021 Governors Project. The WI-UM Board of Directors voted to make it a Signature Project, alongside iPads for Autism, at the end of Jean's term. Congratulations Appleton-Fox Cities Kiwanis Club!



## SERVE, LEARN AND GROW: ATTEND THE WI-UM DISTRICT CONVENTION!

*Submitted by Larry Koziol, 2021-2022 WI-UM Kiwanis District Governor*



Larry Koziol

Kiwanians, as the end of the 2021-2022 Kiwanis year draws near, I'd like to ask a favor. In the final two months, look back at the successes you've had and look for opportunities to improve.

Can your club find new ways to serve your community? Can your club send more members to the district convention? Can each member reach out and ask one person to join your club? The Two for Two membership initiative could help (see page six for details). Has your club tried it yet? If we do each of these things, we will be even more successful in serving the children in our communities and the world!

I'm really looking forward to the "Field of Dreams" District Convention in August. The convention committee, under the direction of chair Joan Pinch, has been working hard to ensure a great time. One of the highlights is a presentation at Friday's opening session on the Miracle League, an organization dedicated to giving children living with disabilities an opportunity to play baseball.

The Kiwanis Family Tailgate Party on Friday evening – organized by Circle K members – will afford us another opportunity for Kiwanis fun and fellowship.

At the Saturday workshops – which include breakout sessions focusing on service projects, membership growth, club governance, sponsored leadership programs, district signature projects and more – we can share ideas and learn a little more about Kiwanis.

The House of Delegates will convene on Saturday afternoon to vote on important bylaws amendments, including a dues increase. Each club is allocated three voting delegates. Please let your voice be heard.

Our keynote speaker will be Bert West, Kiwanis International President-designate. He might even share his plans and goals for the 2022-2023 Kiwanis year. If you see Bert, please be sure to say hello and welcome him to our Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis district. He won't be hard to recognize. Just look for the good looking guy wearing a cowboy hat!

Thank you for all you do for children! Please use the last two months of our Kiwanis year to continue to make your community a "Field of Dreams" for kids!

2021-2022 District Governor Larry Koziol can be reached at 262-338-1996 or [larrykoziol@gmail.com](mailto:larrykoziol@gmail.com).



# 2022 CONVENTION DELEGATES TO CONSIDER BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Submitted by Justin Hahn, WI-UM Kiwanis District Executive Director



Justin Hahn

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT #1

**Submitted by:** WI-UM Kiwanis

District Board of Trustees

**Date:** July 3, 2022

**Section Affected:** Article III.

Officers – Section 2.

**Preamble:** At times, divisions have had difficulty filling the position of Lieutenant

Governor with someone from a club in that division. This amendment would allow a member of a club outside of the division to step in as Lieutenant Governor. The Executive Committee is in favor of this amendment for two reasons. One is that it's better to have someone fill the position from outside the division rather than have no one serve as Lieutenant Governor. The second reason is to amend our bylaws to match Kiwanis International as a similar bylaw amendment was approved in Indianapolis in June. The intent is to first look for a candidate within the division and exhaust all possibilities before looking outside the division.

**Purpose:** To allow members from outside of the Division to serve as Lieutenant Governor effective October 1, 2022.

### Article III. Officers

#### Section 2.

Each district officer shall be an active member in a club of the district. Each Lieutenant Governor shall be a member of a club in the division from which elected. However, if there is no member from a club in a particular division qualified and willing to serve as lieutenant governor, a member of a club in another division may serve. The Governor and Governor-elect shall have and maintain a clear criminal history background check conducted and verified by Kiwanis International.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT #2

**Submitted by:** WI-UM Kiwanis District Board of Trustees

**Date:** July 3, 2022

**Section Affected:** Article VIII. Vacancies in Office – Section 4, Subsection a.

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### Article VIII. Vacancies in Office

#### Section 4.

- a. If the term has one year or less remaining, a qualified member from a club in the same division shall be elected by a majority vote of the District Board to serve the remaining term. However, if there is no member from a club in a particular division qualified and willing to serve as lieutenant governor, a member of a club in another division may serve;
- b. If the term has more than one year remaining, the district shall notify the clubs in the affected division that a replacement Lieutenant Governor may be elected at a division meeting to be held within sixty (60) days from the date of such vacancy. In the absence of a replacement being elected by the division, a qualified member of a club in the same division shall be elected by a majority vote of the District Board.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT #3

**Submitted by:** WI-UM Kiwanis District Board of Trustees

**Date:** July 3, 2022

**Section Affected:** All organizations need to review, assess, and adjust their fiscal needs on a periodic basis. As an organization, Kiwanis has an issue with declining membership levels. That means the cost of maintaining District operations is now divided among a smaller

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# 2022 WI-UM KIWANIS DISTRICT CONVENTION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## FRIDAY AUGUST 12, 2022

*Wear your favorite team gear on Friday!*

12:00 Noon	<b>Set Up for Exhibit Displays</b>
12:00 – 5:00	<b>Registration and Credentials</b>
12:30 – 3:30	<b>Club Leadership Education</b>
1:00 – 4:00	<b>2021-2022 Board Meeting</b>
4:00 – 5:00	<b>Convention Opening</b> <i>Miracle League and Candidate Forum</i>
5:30 – 8:00	<b>Kiwanis Family Tailgate Picnic</b> <i>Rolling Meadows Golf Course</i> <i>Shuttles provided by ARC of Fond du Lac</i> <i>Entertainment by Circle K members</i>
8:00 – 11:00	<b>Hospitality Room</b> <i>Snacks, dessert and beverages sponsored by the 2022-2023 governor-elect candidate(s) and the district</i>

8:30 – 11:15	<b>Club Leadership Education</b>
9:30 – 10:15	<b>Workshops Breakout I</b>
10:30 – 11:15	<b>Workshops Breakout II</b>
11:30 – 1:30	<b>Luncheon</b> <i>Kiwanis District Foundation live auction</i> <i>Circle K Miracle Minute</i> <i>Circle K and Key Club Governors</i> <i>International President-elect Bert West</i>
1:45 – 2:30	<b>Division Caucuses</b>
2:30 – 3:00	<b>Refreshment Break</b> <i>Soda and cookies</i> <i>KDF basket raffle drawing</i>
3:00 – 5:00	<b>House of Delegates</b> <i>State of the District</i> <i>Officer elections and bylaws amendments</i> <i>International Board Counselor</i> <i>Installation and retirement of officers</i>

## SATURDAY AUGUST 13, 2022

6:30 – 8:30	<b>Breakfast</b> <i>Free for hotel guests</i>
7:00 – 4:00	<b>Registration and Credentials</b>
7:30 – 8:30	<b>Past Governor/Past Lt. Governor Meeting</b> <i>Grab your breakfast and take it to the meeting space</i>
9:00 – 3:00	<b>Exhibit Displays</b>



8:30 – 9:15	<b>General Session: Service Project</b> <i>Bring food items to donate!</i> <a href="http://www.fondyfoodpantry.org">www.fondyfoodpantry.org</a>
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5:00 – 6:00	<b>Reception</b> (cash bar)
6:15 – 8:00	<b>Governor's Banquet</b> <i>String Quartet - Fond du Lac High School</i> <i>Awards and recognition</i> <i>Trivia Night</i>
8:00 – 11:00	<b>Hospitality Room</b> <i>Snacks, dessert and beverages sponsored by the 2022-2023 governor-designate and the district</i>

## SUNDAY AUGUST 14, 2022

9:00 – 10:00	<b>Memorial Service</b> <i>Honoring District Kiwanians who have passed away since the last convention</i>
10:00 – 12:30	<b>2022-2023 Board Meeting</b>

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number of members. Despite a reduction made to the cost of District administration, we have been dipping into reserves to maintain a stable budget. Without an increase in dues and with a continued decline in membership and increased inflation our reserves will be depleted to zero by 2025. Therefore, a raise in dues needs to be approved by the membership of the District. This proposed increase in dues also assumes an increase in net membership. Absent a continuing increase in net membership, additional dues increases may be necessary.

**Purpose:** To increase annual District dues per member to

\$43.00 effective October 1, 2022.

#### Article X. Revenue

##### Section 1.

Each club shall pay dues to the district of ~~\$33.00~~ **\$43.00** for each active club member. Dues shall be based on club's annual membership report to Kiwanis International as of September 30 of each year and shall be due annually on October 1 and payable by November 30.

WI-UM District Executive Director Justin Hahn can be reached at 414-510-1609 or [justinhahn@wiumkiwanis.org](mailto:justinhahn@wiumkiwanis.org).

# GOVERNOR LARRY IS GRATEFUL FOR SUPPORT OF DISTRICT PROJECTS

*Submitted by Larry Koziol, 2021-2022 WI-UM Kiwanis District Governor*

The Camp Hometown Heroes Governor's Project is finished! Thanks to your generosity we were able to purchase enough material to build ten picnic tables for outdoor dining for campers and 13 benches to be used in the newly-renovated barn.

Camp Hometown Heroes is a free week-long summer camp for children and siblings of fallen U.S. service members. During their visit to camp, the children continue the healing process with other children who have experienced a similar loss, doing the summer activities that they love.



*The need for picnic tables at Camp Hometown Heroes has been met, so Governor Larry Koziol has turned his focus to wheelchair tie-downs and other accessibility and safety needs at Easter Seals Camp Wawbeek.*



*Circle K members put the finishing touches on the picnic tables.*



*Kiwanians assemble benches to be used in the newly-renovated barn at Camp Hometown Heroes.*

On June 4th, members from Fabulous Fond du Lac, Kewaskum, Slinger and West Bend Early Risers Kiwanis clubs, along with camp staff and Circle K members from UW-Green Bay, UW-Whitewater and Michigan Tech, gathered to assemble the tables and benches. Once an assembly line was organized it was smooth sailing with about four hours allocated to assembly. What a great time spent in service and fellowship!

Now that the picnic tables are finished, won't you please consider helping us with part two of the Governor's Project? We will use any additional funds to help with getting wheelchair tie downs for the trailers used for campers at Camp Wawbeek. The total amount needed is \$7,200 and any amount your club can give will be greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to the Kiwanis District Foundation with "Governor's Project" in the memo. Thanks for all you do for the kids!

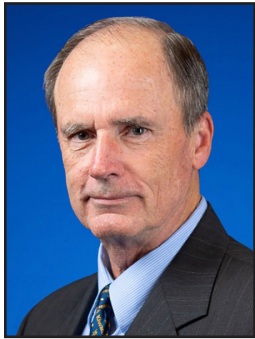


*An assembly line method was used to construct the picnic tables and benches for Camp Hometown Heroes.*



# WHY MEMBERSHIP MATTERS TO YOUR CLUB, DIVISION AND DISTRICT

Submitted by William (Bill) Abbott, 2021-2022 WI-UM Kiwanis District Governor-elect



Bill Abbott

Membership...membership... membership. That's what the leaders of the WI-UM Kiwanis District seem to talk about all the time. There are good reasons that membership is a top priority. Kiwanis members focus on service to youth and our communities. As membership declines so does service.

operating costs? Recruitment of members needs to be the highest priority. To be successful, clubs should seriously consider utilizing the Two for Two membership initiative which was introduced by Kiwanis International earlier this year.

This program offers a step-by-step process which takes the guesswork out of the membership recruitment equation. Detailed instructions are available for download at [www.wiumkiwanis.org/membership-tools](http://www.wiumkiwanis.org/membership-tools).

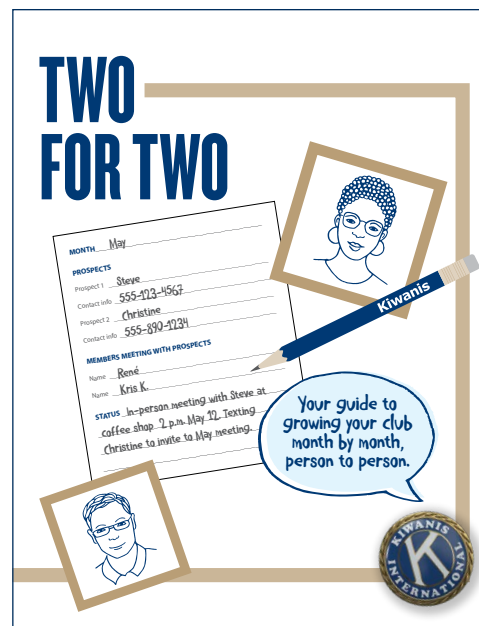
Service organizations have seen a downward trend in membership and service across the board. I recently watched a news report regarding a Lions club which hosted the Independence Day parade in their community for the past 30 years. Sadly, this was their last year hosting it because their roster has dropped to ten members. They can no longer serve due to loss of volunteers.

We all need to focus on seeking and recruiting new members.

Our communities and our youth depend on us. At its peak, the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis District had a roster close to 10,000 members, yet currently we have just 3,229 members. Throughout the year we've recorded an increase of 60 new members, but every year we lose about 250 people as clubs clear out their roster before district and international dues are charged to clubs on October 1.

Another issue for the district is loss of income which is vital to cover operating costs. This loss – along with inflation – causes problems in balancing our annual district budget.

What can you and your club do to mitigate the loss of membership as it relates to community service and



I believe in this opportunity so much that I will make every effort to come to your club, when invited, and give a presentation on the Two For Two membership initiative.

You – our current members who already do so much for our communities and our children – are the only ones who can turn Kiwanis into a service organization that will continue to be here for another 100 years. To do this we must work together to attract and recruit new members and open news clubs who will then serve their communities as we currently serve ours.

2021-2022 District Governor-elect Bill Abbott can be reached by phone at 608-935-9526 or by email at [wladodge@gmail.com](mailto:wladodge@gmail.com).

# IPADS FOR AUTISM PROJECT CHAIR ENCOURAGES CLUB PARTICIPATION

*Submitted by Lynn Messer, iPads for Autism WI-UM Kiwanis District Signature Project Chair*

The demand for iPads for children on the autism spectrum continues now that summer is here. Having an iPad at home to communicate is an absolute need for children on the spectrum. I receive applications every week, yet I cannot guarantee that all of them will be granted. Many clubs do not budget resources for the project and some are short of funds due to hampered fundraisers during COVID-19. I am amazed and grateful for the many ways clubs continue to fund iPad applications for children in their communities.

One problem I would like to address concerns follow through with granting an iPad. When an application is received, a confirmation email is sent to the families and the therapist, copying the club in or near the community in which the family lives. It then becomes the responsibility of the club to contact the family and also to let me know if they will grant the iPad. There have been many times, however, with no response from the club. As a result, I receive phone calls

and e-mails from the family or the therapist asking what is happening. It is frustrating when I don't have an answer.

There is currently a supply of iPads available. As I write this, we have exceeded 1,420 iPads granted. We could possibly hit 1,450 iPads granted before the district convention. That is truly amazing.

When this project was launched, concerns were expressed that the scope of the project was too large. This is indeed the largest project ever undertaken by our Kiwanis district and we have exceeded the original goal of 1,000 iPads by 40%. Thousands of lives have been changed as a result of the iPads for Autism District Signature Project. I thank all the clubs and members that continue to support this effort.

*iPads for Autism District Signature Project Chair Lynn Messer can be reached at 920-946-0652 or [lmmsr001@gmail.com](mailto:lmmsr001@gmail.com).*



# SUPPORT THE DISTRICT FOUNDATION WITH A CASE VAN KLEEF AWARD

*Submitted by Mark Finger, Kiwanis District Foundation Secretary/Treasurer*

The Case Van Kleeef Fellowship Award is the WI-UM Kiwanis District Foundation's highest honor. Named for former District Governor and International Past President Case Van Kleeef, the award is given to an individual in whose name a donation of \$1,000 is given to the KDF. Additional \$1,000 donations qualify the honoree for a Distinguished Van Kleeef award.

Proceeds from Van Kleeef awards support the Kiwanis District Foundation endowment fund which generates funds for club grants and matching scholarships. Can you think of a club member or friend you would like to honor with a Case Van Kleeef Fellowship? If so, please contact KDF Secretary Mark Finger at 920-361-9954 or [markfingerkdf@wiumkiwanis.org](mailto:markfingerkdf@wiumkiwanis.org). The award will be presented during the banquet at the district convention.



*Past International President Case Van Kleeef, Plover Kiwanian Liane Shulfer and Past Governor Roger Krogstad are proud Van Kleeef Fellows.*

## WHITEWATER SCHOOLS JOIN THE KIWANIS 'N COPS 'N KIDS EFFORT

*Submitted by Patrick Taylor, Whitewater Kiwanis Breakfast Club*

The Kiwanis club, police department and school district in Whitewater, Wisconsin are collaborating on a program that promotes literacy and community trust in law enforcement with the goal of getting free books into the hands and homes of children. Kiwanis 'n Cops 'n Kids was launched by 2020-2021 Kiwanis District Governor Jean Long Manteufel and has since been named one of the district's signature projects.

Acting Chief Daniel Meyer, who was on hand to read to first grade students at Washington Elementary School on May 17th said, "Reading is a great way to for our officers to connect to our youngest residents. Our officers are pleased to participate in this program."

Patrick Taylor, President of the Whitewater Kiwanis Breakfast Club, said, "Kiwanis is excited to see another opportunity where children can have direct contact with the police through books and the joy of reading."



Officers read to children in Whitewater as part of the Kiwanis 'n Cops 'n Kids initiative launched by 2020-2021 Governor Jean Long Manteufel.

Learn more about the Kiwanis 'n Cops n Kids program on the district website at [www.wiumkiwanis.org/kiwanis'ncops'nkids](http://www.wiumkiwanis.org/kiwanis'ncops'nkids).

## DE PERE GOLF OUTING SET FOR AUGUST 1 AT MID VALLEE GOLF COURSE

*Submitted by Steve Wilmet, Kiwanis Club of De Pere*

The Kiwanis Club of De Pere will hold its 24th Annual Touscany-Scannell Memorial Golf Outing on Monday, August 1, 2022 at Mid Vallee Golf Course. The format will be an 18-hole four-person scramble event. An 11:00 shotgun start will be followed by dinner immediately afterwards. There will also be raffle and golf prizes.

The cost for golf, cart, dinner, prizes and free beer and soda after golf is \$95 per person. Dinner only is \$25. Proceeds will fund outreach efforts of the De Pere Kiwanis Club. For more information contact Steve Wilmet at 920-680-9690 or [swilmet@new.rr.com](mailto:swilmet@new.rr.com).



## RIPON EARLY BIRDS HOST 30TH ANNUAL SCRAMBLE ON SEPTEMBER 7

*Submitted by Joan Karsten, Ripon Early Bird Kiwanis Club*

The Ripon Early Bird Kiwanis Club will host its 30th Annual Golf Scramble on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at the Golf Courses of Lawsonia in Green Lake. The 18-hole four-person scramble will begin at 11:00 am with a shotgun start followed by dinner.

The \$100 per person entry fee includes 18 holes of golf with cart, an exceptional prime rib and haddock buffet,

hole event prizes and chances to win other prizes. The cost for the buffet dinner alone is \$30.

Proceeds will help fund an ADA accessible playground to be built at Riggs County Park in Ripon – a joint project with the Ripon Noon Kiwanis Club. To register and pay for a team online, visit [www.riponearlybirdkiwanis.org/golf-scramble](http://www.riponearlybirdkiwanis.org/golf-scramble).



## NOURISHING THE MADISON COMMUNITY ONE SANDWICH AT A TIME

*Submitted by Ron Schuler, Madison West Kiwanis Club*

Under the leadership of co-vice-president Fred Ross, the Madison West Kiwanis Club initiated a new service project with River Food Pantry. Club members are preparing sandwiches to include with lunches provided to members of low-income populations.

The pantry provides freshly-prepared meals and groceries which can be ordered. They also redistribute rescued food from local retailers and have created a



*Kiwanis members Fred Ross and Ron Schuler prepare sandwiches to be distributed to low-income populations in the Madison area.*

mobile lunch program. The pantry serves more than 2,000 people every week in pursuit of a vision for 'a fully nourished community'. In 2021, the pantry provided 58,675 freshly-prepared to-go meals and 33,309 mobile lunches to ten low-income Madison-area neighborhoods.

Two Kiwanis members prepare sandwiches at the food pantry on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:30 and 10:30 am. On June 23rd, club members Ken Saville prepared meat, cheese and lettuce sandwiches and Ed Reid prepared peanut butter and jelly sandwiches which were distributed in lunches.

The project enables Kiwanis club members facing physical challenges to more successfully participate in club activities because the work is completed while seated at a table. The project was launched in June and is scheduled through August while children are not in school. Plans for continued participation will be discussed by club members after assessing the impact of the program throughout the summer.

## PEANUT DAY AFFORDS CLUBS THE OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE BIG BUCKS

*Submitted by Alan Arbuckle, WI-UM Kiwanis District Master Club Coach*

Many Kiwanis clubs have done a successful Kiwanis Peanut Day fundraiser in the past. One club in another Kiwanis district raised \$30,000 offering Kiwanis Peanut Day peanuts in 2021. Although Peanut Day is traditionally held in September, many clubs around the country have moved it to a time that is more convenient for their club.

Today, in addition to roasted peanuts, clubs have the opportunity to sell honey roasted peanuts, pretzels and gummi bears. Some clubs have chosen peanut alternatives due to allergies. In my experience, \$100 per hour can be raised giving away peanuts at each location.

Clubs also ask businesses to sponsor peanut sales and are given product to distribute. Service Leadership Program members are a great source of volunteers, too. I sold my first Kiwanis peanuts when in 7th grade.



*Distributing peanuts, pretzels and gummi bears on Kiwanis Peanut Day can be a very successful method of raising funds.*

The 2022 Kiwanis Peanut Day brochure is posted on our district website at [www.wiumkiwanis.org/links](http://www.wiumkiwanis.org/links).

## SHEBOYGAN AREA CLUBS TEAM UP FOR IPADS FOR AUTISM EVENT

*Submitted by Lee Gumm, Sheboygan Falls Kiwanis Club*

After months of planning, the Kiwanis Clubs of Sheboygan Falls and Greater Sheboygan joined forces to conduct their 8th Annual Autism Fun Run/Walk. The event was held on Saturday, April 30 with more than fifty people attending. The rain held off until just minutes before the last participant crossed the finish line.

The 501st Legion, also known as Vader's Fist, is a group that dresses in film-quality costumes as Star Wars villains and shows up to events to help promote worthwhile causes. The costumed characters took part in the event, congratulating racers at the end of the race.

The autism fundraiser received additional support by a separate event at the Sheboygan Veterans of



*Haley Butler, Center presented a check for \$7,116 to WI-UM Kiwanis District iPads for Autism Signature Project Chair Lynn Messer.*

Foreign Wars post which yielded \$7,116. Those funds – presented to the Sheboygan Falls Kiwanis Club on May 24th – brought the combined 2022 Autism Fun Run/Walk proceeds to nearly \$13,000.

The Greater Sheboygan Club and Sheboygan Falls club split the proceeds, which will fund the purchase of approximately 30 iPads with protective cases and educational apps. iPad presentations continue throughout the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis District with 1,420 iPads awarded since 2012.



*Members of "Vader's Fist" participated in the fun run/walk, greeting participants as they crossed the finish line.*

## PEWAUKEE KIWANIANS AWARD IPADS TO CHILDREN ON THE SPECTRUM

*Submitted by Pat Gallagher, Pewaukee Kiwanis Club*

Members of the Pewaukee Kiwanis Club presented iPads to two students on the autism spectrum enrolled in the Pewaukee School District. Lucas Wick and Noah Brady received their iPads on March 11, 2022.

At right, Pewaukee Kiwanis members, back row, left to right, Paul Zelinger, Pat Gallagher and Linda Wittmann awarded an iPad to Lucas Wicks. His teacher, Katie Gubbins, helped choose the most beneficial software apps for Lucas to install on his iPad. The club is thankful for the opportunity to help students on the spectrum communicate through the use of iPad technology.





## LAKE SIDE KIWANIAN CELEBRATES 40 YEARS OF CLUB MEMBERSHIP

*Submitted by Dan Weninger, Fond du Lac Lakeside Kiwanis Club*

Some of the most fulfilling parts of being a Kiwanis club member are the friendships and camaraderie that develop through working together toward a common goal. Fond du Lac Lakeside Kiwanis Club member Ron Rademann, second from right, celebrated 40 years of Kiwanis membership with, left to right, club members Dan Weninger Kurt Krueger, Bruce Mach, Brian Olson and Brian Beversdorf. "Over the past 40 years, my Kiwanis club has worked hard to support kids in the Fond du Lac and Oakfield area and I'm grateful to have been a part of the effort for all these years," said Ron.



## OAKFIELD KEY CLUB MEMBERS ATTEND WEEKEND EVENT IN GREEN BAY

*Submitted by Dan Weninger, Fond du Lac Lakeside Kiwanis Club*



Rueben Arellano, Clare Maurer, Ms. Shannon Lagore, Kaitlyn Volbright, Emi Dercks, Savannah Tapp, Sophie Reynolds, Mrs. Trista Owczarzak, and Bennett Dercks (in front) successfully escaped from the room.

Oakfield High School Key Club – sponsored by the Fond du Lac Lakeside Kiwanis Club – took seven members to Green Bay to eat, swim and put teamwork and critical thinking to the test in a successful breakout room experience. Advisor Trista Owczarzak and her colleague, Shannon Lagore, accompanied the students. When the Key Club district convention was switched from an in-person event to a virtual format, students were unable to travel to Green Bay to attend.

In the "Evolution of Games" escape room, students were challenged to play through the millennia of game history in less than an hour, using critical thinking skills and teamwork to escape. Stops at an ice cream parlor and Starbucks coffee were also highlights of the weekend.

## KDF REQUESTS RAFFLE BASKETS FOR AUGUST DISTRICT CONVENTION

*Submitted by Mark Finger, WI-UM Kiwanis District Foundation*



Please bring your raffle baskets to Fond du Lac and help us hit a home run for the Kiwanis District Foundation. Thousands of dollars have been raised during midyear conferences and district conventions. More than \$3,430 was raised at the three midyear conferences this year! All proceeds help provide scholarships and grants for local club projects. We're looking forward to similar success at the district convention thanks to your support.





## APPLETON-FOX CITIES KIWANIS CLUB SUPPORTS RED NOSE DAY

*Submitted by Jay Stephany, Appleton-Fox Cities Kiwanis Club*

In the United States alone, around 12 million children – nearly one in six – live in poverty. Globally, about 663 million children are deprived of one or more basic needs like food, shelter, safe drinking water, sanitation, healthcare or education. With a passionate consumer base and strong corporate and private sector partnerships, Comic Relief US has created a movement to address intergenerational poverty's root causes through their Red Nose Day campaign. Seeing the similarities in the missions of Comic Relief US and Kiwanis, on May 26th, the Appleton-Fox Cities Kiwanis Club joined others around the world and donned red noses in support of the mission to end child poverty. Find details on how to participate in 2023 at [www.rednoseday.org](http://www.rednoseday.org).



## KIWANIANS WELCOME THE RETURN OF FOX CITIES BUTTERFLY FESTIVAL

*Submitted by Jay Stephany, Appleton-Fox Cities Kiwanis Club*

After delaying the Fox Cities Butterfly Festival for two years due to COVID-19, Appleton-Fox Cities Kiwanis Club members welcomed back the 12th Annual event on Saturday, June 18th at City Park in downtown Appleton.

The Fox Cities Butterfly Festival is a free community event featuring more than 30 activity booths, displays, activities, play areas, an entertainment stage, face painting, giveaways, food and more!



*Kiwanis members have fun selling raffle tickets at the Fox Cities Butterfly Festival, which provides fun, educational adventures for children while raising funds for the Kiwanis district's signature projects.*

The highlight of the event is a group release of butterflies for registered attendees, representing our dedication to "Helping Families Fly"!

The Fox Cities Butterfly Festival focuses on:

- Fun – Parents and children participate in free activities, games, interactive displays, snacks and entertainment.
- Education – Exhibitors present engaging, interactive displays and activities, making it fun for families.
- Adventure – Interactive games, a butterfly release, nature adventures and more are highlights of the event.

Proceeds of the Fox Cities Butterfly Festival supports the Kiwanis iPads for Autism program and the Kiwanis n' Cops n' Kids program – both signature projects of the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis District.



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Past District Governors Judd Kindschi, Jim Burmeister, John Collins, Justin Hahn, Jean Long Manteufel, Fred Dietze, Jim Buskel, Governor-elect Bill Abbott, Lynn Messer, Governor Larry Koziol, Anna Bruhn and Gurdip Brar met for dinner and a picnic in Spring Green, Wisconsin June 24th and 25th to share a time of reflection and fun.

## PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS SHARED MEAL, PICNIC AND CAMARADERIE

*Submitted by John Collins, 2016-2017 WI-UM Kiwanis District Governor*

A group of past Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis District governors met in Spring Green, Wisconsin, June 24th and 25th for a Friday night dinner and a Saturday afternoon picnic. Governors from the 1980s through the 2020s attended, many with their spouses. Current Governor Larry Koziol and Governor-elect Bill Abbott also joined in the festivities.

"Nothing could be more 'Kiwanis' than an afternoon in June with old friends, telling stories and thinking about the future," said 2016-2017 WI-UM Governor John Collins. The annual event affords past governors the opportunity to reflect on their experiences and share their perspectives with others who have also served the district in the capacity of governor.

## KIWANIS CLUB SUPPORTS YOUTH SOCCER PROGRAM IN WHITEWATER

*Submitted by Marjorie Stoneman, Whitewater Breakfast Kiwanis Club*

For the sixth time, the Whitewater Kiwanis Breakfast Club has donated to the Whitewater youth soccer club program. A \$1,500 donation made by the club will be used for a new set of goals at for the U8 team.

On May 18, Tony Aranda, Vice President of the Whitewater United FC soccer organization, invited the Whitewater Breakfast Kiwanis Club to attend a Whitewater vs. Milwaukee Croatian Eagles soccer game at Whitewater High School. It was a tough, hard fought game resulting in a tie score of 1-1. The Whitewater U8 team was invited on to the field at halftime to play as well.

Aranda has been a leader in the Whitewater United FC club for 16 years. The soccer club is open to children ages 4 to 14 living within the Whitewater Unified School District. The club is volunteer-run and seasons are played



Members of the Whitewater Breakfast Kiwanis Club donated \$1,500 to the Whitewater Youth Soccer Club program. Members of the U15 and U8 boys soccer teams were present when the donation was made.

in the fall and spring. 12 teams of kids, ages 4 to 14, host their home games at Moraine View Park in Whitewater. For 28 years the league has been encouraging young soccer players to develop a love of soccer and to learn the value of teamwork.



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