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Kiwaniis Club of Madison West – Kiwanogram

Guests: None

Program: 'Madison Gas and Electric (MGE) Energy Plans for the Future' was presented by Leah Samson, MGE resident energy engineer. She is UW-Madison, Mechanical Engineering graduate.

MGE generates and distributes electricity to 167,000 customers in Dane County and purchases and distributes natural gas to 178,000 customers in seven south-central and western Wisconsin Counties. MGE activities date back 150 years.

MGE is a national leader in electric reliability. It is ranked in the top three utilities in the country for fewest number of outages per customer for more than 15 years. Gas emergency response ranks in top 10 present.

MGE is committed to safe, reliable, affordable and sustainable energy. It has numerous projects, activities and goals to achieve this commitment. By 2030, the goal is to reduce carbon emissions by 80 percent. By 2050, the goal is to achieve net-zero carbon electricity.



Farm field with wind and solar power

September 12, 2025

Presiding: Ken Saville
Opening Word: Ken Saville
Greeter: Jim Wiederhoeft
Checkpoint: Joseph Tevaarwerk
Setup: Tom McCrill

Two of several MGE solar fields



O'Brien Solar fields (20 MW) located in Fitchburg at Lacy Road and South Seminole Highway. More than 60,000 solar panels, 160 acres.



Badger Hollow Solar Farm (300 MW) located near Cobb and Montfort

Date	Event
Sept 19	Foundation Trustees Covenant, 1:00 pm
Oct. 3	MWK Board of Directors Covenant, 10:30 am

Up Coming Programs

Date	Program	Greeter	Opening Word	Check In
Sept. 19	Madison Habitat for Humanity	DuVal	Green	Baker
Sept. 26	2025-26 Madison West Kiwanis Officer Installation.	Skjervem	Saville	TBA
Oct. 3	My Life Sailing and Basic Sailing Principles, George Skupniewicz	Stauffacher	Saville	TBA

Meeting Time and Location

Every Friday, 11:45 am

Covenant Presbyterian Church

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Randy Grobe distributed 2025 Pancake Day (November 1) packet of materials to club members. Pancakes will be served from 8:00 am to noon in Covenant Presbyterian Church, our club meeting room. The packet contained Pancake Tickets (\$9.00 each), 2024 placemat, and forms for soliciting 2025 placemat ads. The ad prices remain the same (border ads - \$175.00 and line ads - \$75.00). The deadline for submitting ads to Randy is October 17, during our club meeting. Members missing today's meeting, materials will be mailed.

Ed Reisch reported the West Madison Little League (WMLL) has the following note on their web site (www.wmll.org) recognizing the support of Madison West Kiwanis for fresh mulch on their family playground.

'HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR FRIENDS AT WEST KIWANIS FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF FRESH MULCH FOR OUR FAMILY PLAYGROUND!'



Photo of family playground with freshly applied mulch. Ed encouraged members to visit the Little League at 701 Forward Drive.

Art Peterson, a charter member of our club, designed the baseball fields more than 60 years ago. One of the three baseball fields is named the Battista Field, for our club member, **Bill Battista**. Bill was very active in WMLL. We referred to Bill as the WMLL commissioner.

Club Officers (2024-25)

Presidents:	Ken Saville
Vice President	Dwight Gribble
Secretary	Ron Schuler
Treasurer:	Randy Grobe
Co-Past Presidents	Jim Wiederhoeft

Board of Directors:

Dwight Gribble	Cody Kramschuster
Leroy Baker	Joseph Tevaarwerk
Jim Danner	Harley Skjervem

Dwight Gribble reported the Midvale School Lunch Buddies has started with new school year. The first dates are October 18 and November 16.

George Shook reports the next Habitat Restore session is on September 18 (9am to noon) at the Restore Weston Odana Road. Members signed up, are **Rich Donkle, Case Dorresteyn, Jim Martin, Tom McCrill, George Shook** and **George Skupniewicz**.

Jim Danner reported the next Second Harvest event is September 25.

The 2025-26 club meeting program scheduling will continue to be done by committee in 2025-26. The committee members and months are:

September, 2025 – **Harley Skjervem**,
October, 2025 - **Fred Ross**,
November, 2025- **Harold Green**,
December, 2025–**George Skupniewicz**,
January, 2026 – **Ed Reisch**,
February, 2026 – **George Shook**.

Ken Saville announced the transition to club secretary from **Ron Schuler** to **Leroy Baker** and **Tom Duval**. Leroy will be listed our secretary and Tom will be listed as our assistant secretary. Leroy will be responsible for our web site and Facebook. Tom will be responsible member records. Further details are to be discussed.

John Busby reports planning has begun for the 2025 Capitol Christmas Pageant which is scheduled Dec. 5-7.