



A Monthly Publication of Janesville, WI Blackhawk Golden "K" Kiwanis Club

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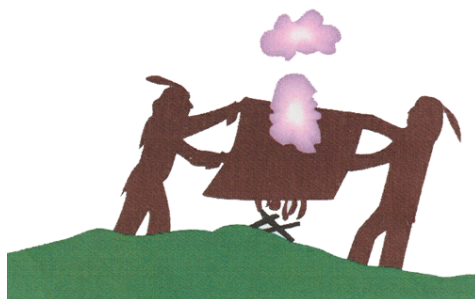
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Meeting Each Wednesday: 9:30AM @ Rotary Botanical Gardens, 1455 Palmer Dr. Janesville, WI
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OFFICERS

President: Roger Willeford
Pres. Elect: Richard Johnson
Past Pres: Robert Wilcox
Vice Pres: Tom Neumann
Treasurer: Greg Turco
Asst. Treas: Linda Bontly
Secretary: Paul Neitzel
Asst. Secr: Bruce Jorenby



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2022-'25 Ron Shuler
2022-'25 Dave Thill
2023-'26 Linda Bontly
2024-'27 Carl Cramer
2024-'27 Ray Szczepaniak

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"Improving the world one child and one community at a time"

PROGRAMS


September Chair: Luci Cramer
03 Program Film Making In Janesville by Dan Pico
10 Program Camp Wawbeek by Carlee Fosco
17 Program Alice In Dairyland by Sarah Hagenow
24 Program Officer Induction/Awards Breakfast

October
01 Program Cedar Crest by Ben Reese

SEPTEMBER CLUB CALENDAR

03 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
10 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
17 8:15 Board Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens
24 9:30 Club Meeting @ Rotary Gardens

October
03 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 Disrude</i>
Sept 03	Ray Cummings & Ray Szczepaniak	Linda Bontly	Richard Johnson	Glenn Disrude
Sept 10	Bob Knudson & Tom Neumann	John Janes	Ron Shuler	Glenn Disrude
Sept 17	Dave Caverley & Bruce Jorenby	April Wright	Carl Cramer	Glenn Disrude
Sept 24	Jim Farrell & Don Anderson	Ray Szczepaniak	Bob Knudson	Glenn Disrude
			September Juice Man: Maury Frey	

BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting: 8/27/25

Called to order by President Willeford at 8:15 a.m.

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Secretary's Report: The awards banquet and officer induction ceremony is scheduled for September 24, 2025. All officer pins and awards have been ordered and should arrive in time for the ceremony. There were no corrections to the minutes and they were approved as printed in the Smoke Signal. Dues notices for the coming year will be handed out at the Sept. 3rd meeting and are due to the treasurer by Oct. 1, 2025. The dues will be the same as last year. \$155 payable to Blackhawk Golden K.

Treasurer's Report: The administrative checking account was up about \$600. The expenditures for golf and speaker gifts were offset by Hamish Martin's donation to the club and some belated mid-year appeal gifts. The service checking account was down about \$4000 due to annual donations to the Kiwanis Children's Fund, the District Foundation, Camp Wawbeek and the Janesville Parks. Paul Neitzel made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and was seconded by Tom Neumann and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership Committee Plans: The Lions 2025 Chicken Roast for publicity and membership leads is set for September 6th and the Senior Fair is September 12th.

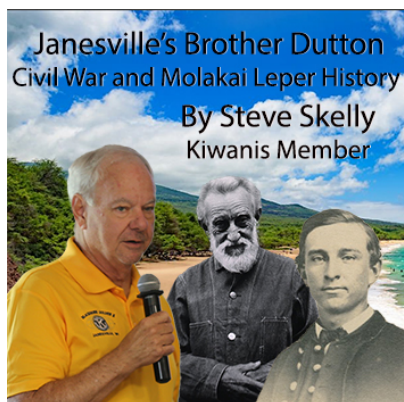
NEW BUSINESS

Comparing 2025 charity budget to actual expenditures: The service account had a deficit of \$2,358 and the administrative account had a surplus of \$2,510. After subtracting the total expenses from total income for the 2025 fiscal year, the club ended up with a surplus of \$152. The surplus was due to unexpectedly low weekly meeting expenses but the deficit in the service account will need to be addressed by the board when reviewing the charities that we wish to continue to support and any proposals for additional charities. Dollar amounts may have to be adjusted.

Fundraising: The board discussed the possible creation of a committee to create a list of potential fundraiser events. In addition to the winter Truck on Ice project, the board would like to have a summer event to raise more funds for charitable causes.

Tree Sale: The board agreed to support the tree sale for another year in the hope that the past year of just breaking even was an anomaly or off year and that the tree sale returns to profitability.
Motion to adjourn at 9:15 a.m.

Submitted by secretary,
Paul Neitzel



August 6 ~ Steve Skelly



August 20 ~ John Light



August 13 ~ Connie Udell



August 27 ~ Johnson & King



John Janes [center] and Bob Wilcox assisted Connie Udell in demonstrating her program Rock Steady Boxing..

Udell's **Sol Fitness** uses boxing skills to assist Parkinson patients in maintaining a stronger lifestyle.

Happy Birthday Wishes

September 26 Glenn Disrude

Alzheimers

On Wednesday, Sept 10th, we will be taking up a collection for Alzheimer's. We have done this the past two years. Each of those years our members have donated around \$2000, which is super. Money donated will be added to that raised by the Frey family. They do this in honor of their wife and mother who has late stage symptoms of this terrible disease.

Each of the past two years, the Frey family has raised over \$8000. This year their goal is \$10,000. Twenty seven members of the Frey family will be taking part in the Alzheimer's walk on sept 20 in an attempt to reach their \$10,000 goal. As of September 1st, a little over \$6500 has been raised. Donations can be by cash or check. If by check, it can be made out to Alzheimer's or Maury Frey, who will pass it on to Alzheimer's. Thanks for your support. **Maury Frey**



Tom Neumann and Bruce Jorenby worked our Kiwanis promotion booth at the Farmers Market along Festival Street on Saturday, August 16.



The Kiwanis bell and gavel are symbols of leadership, unity, and tradition within the Kiwanis International organization.



Above L-R: Dale Henning, Dick Fay, and Maury Frey all share a common fact-they were born in 1935!! At 90 years old they are still contributing to their community

via the Kiwanis. In 1935 the Kiwanis had their first nationwide broadcast of their national convention with their message of **service and fellowship**.



Maury Frey and Tom Neumann celebrate their birthdays which were in August.




Glenn Disrude gives an update on the Buddy Bench project for the Janesville Public Schools.



Maury Frey's daughter Linda brought in a delicious birthday cake to help Maury celebrate his 90th birthday.

Blackhawk Golden Kiwanis



Serving Children of the World

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

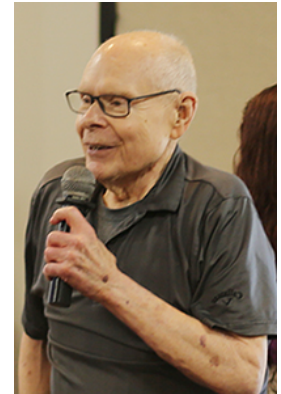
COMMUNITY ACTION

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

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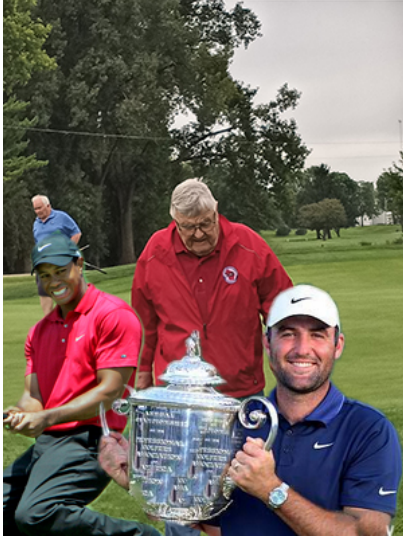
Ray Szczepaniak works at tickling the groups funny bone!!



Gregg Dickinson introduces one of the many interesting presentations at weekly meetings.



Our club wishes Martin Hamish the best as he returns to his home country, the United Kingdom



Thank you to Glenn Disrude
for providing golf memories

