



Brian, Tim, Rich, Ian, Karen,  
Gary, Brandon

Gary – Happy to have his daughter back during spring break, who had four wisdom teeth pulled yesterday.

Ian – First happy buck from Andy Lyke, who is donating printing cost of the coloring contest. Winter is almost over!

#### Announcements

**Kwik Trip Scrip Cards** – \$50 gets you a pre-paid Kwik Trip card, good for any purchase inside the store or at the pump. A portion of each sale benefits the club. Contact Missy to buy yours.

**Children's Fair** – April 6<sup>th</sup>, 9-Noon at Barlow Park Elementary  
Open to children up to about age 8

The face painters we normally have won't be doing face painting this year, but have contacted Ian about doing a photo booth instead.

Ian is also looking into a possible alternate to still offer face painting, which could compliment the photo booth.

**West Bend Noon Kiwanis** – German Night is next Tuesday, March 26, 2019, at the Columbian, in West Bend. Cocktails 6pm - Dinner 7pm. German Food, German Music, Raffles & Free Beer all for only \$22

#### Coming up....

**March 26<sup>th</sup>** – Open discussion (in the Ripon College PDR)

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Dr. John Hughes - Green Lake Festival of Music's Composer in Residency

**April 9<sup>th</sup>** – Nate Zimdars, Mission to Senegal

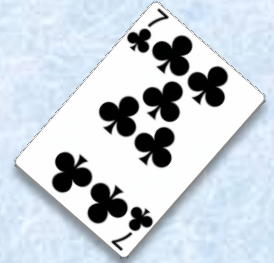
## Happy Bucks

Brandon – Received a thank you note from Tim Bachleitner for coming to his meeting and sent a happy buck to share with us.

Tim – Last Saturday he and his wife visited their daughter and son-in-law for St. Patrick's Day.

## Queen's Raffle

Gary has the ticket and draws the 7 of Clubs



### Program

Noreen Johnson – Ripon Senior Center

No beds, not a retirement or residential facility

### Values

#### Dignity

Respect all who interact with the Center.

#### Diversity

Acknowledge difference in skills, sknowledge, cultural heritage, ethnicity, gender orientation and religion of seniors and their families

#### Leadership

Guide seniors' larger community toward life-long well being.

#### Wisdom

Draw from the accumulated wisdom of seniors to benefit the larger community.

#### Innovation

Reach beyond the commonplace to address diverse interests and needs.

#### Service

Assist mature individuals in need of information, housing, caregivers, transportation and various other supports

#### Remembrance

Honor the presence and accomplishments of seniors in the community

## Joy

Bring pleasure through education, social events and recreation

### 40% Social & Economic Factors

- Respite programs
- Employment training
- Educational Program
- Income assistance programs
- Benefit counseling
- Advocacy

### 30% Health Behaviors

- Health promotion
- Nutrition programs
- Exercise programs

### 20% Clinic Care Access & Quality

### 10% Physical Environment

- Transportation
- Housing

\*Courtesy of Wisconsin Institute of Healthy Aging

Improvements have been made, painting the facility with the help of members of the community church and seniors

## Current Inadequacies

Space too small for activities:

- Limits presentation speakers
- Crowds meal hosting
- Lack of storage space (currently using hallway)
- Limited parking

Concern for participants' safety:

- Kitchen is not to code
- Not fire and safety compliant
- Bathroom not handicap accessible
- Hallway storage is potential safety issue
- Entry door restrictions = difficult access for seniors

Attendance w/out swim count

Significant growth in participation in the last year alone  
Predicted to grow in future years  
Growth is about 328% on average so far for 2019

	2018	2019
January	120	393
February	163	514
March	223	

## Hopes for the Future

- Engage in life enriching activities
- Have access to monthly meals
- Gain a resource for personal hygiene
- Bridge the generation gap
- Effectively serve the community

## Youth Statistics

	2017	2017 % of Population
Total Ripon	7738	
Total 0-19 years	1720	22.3%

## Senior Statistics

	2017	2017 % of Population
Total 55+	2655	34.4%

## City of Ripon Comprehensive Plan

Issues and Opportunities

Findings on page 17:

3. "The residents of the City of Ripon in 2000 were older than average.... Twenty-three percent of Ripon residents in 2000 [were] over the age of 60, compared to only 18% of county residents, and 17% of state residents. In general, the elderly lack opportunities for financial improvement, which would bolster the community's economy, and they require more public services."

Recommendations on page 18:

2. "A higher than average median age presents the City with two opportunities. The City should look at services offered in and by the community and determine how

they match up with those needed by an aging population."

### **Possible Locations**

Talked about a facility in the Park

Looked at Family Video, which they have excluded because of price

Combining multiple buildings

Former medical facilities

Old Accurate Controls has an offer

### **Facility Needs**

- ADA Compliancy
- Commercial Kitchen
- Dining Facilities
- Exercise room/gym
- Adequate storage
- Walk-in shower
- Parking
- Locked office
- New desktop and laptop computers
  - Present computer for the Senior Center is running off XP

### **Center for Community**

Share center with/provide for:

- Community Groups
- Rent out space
- Give police their room back

Overhead budget of \$1,000 per year