

# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Senior Center Use Senior Center Parking Lot

See Day Makers on the web at: http://www.kiwanisrochester.org See MN-DAK District Site at: http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org

Newsletter for **January 2005** 



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## **OFFICERS**

Ella VanLaningham President Imm. Past Pres. Mary Anderson Pres. Elect Al Strom 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. Dick Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres. Phyllis Jacobs Secretary/Treasurer Dick Lundberg

#### **DIRECTORS** (3 yr terms) John Braddock 2006 Tom Lemke 2007 Larry Mason 2005 2006 Marlys McCoy Al Southwick 2007

Membership Program Youth Services Community Services Human & Spiritual Values Young Children Priority One Operations

**CHAIRS & Meeting Dates** Dick Hall Last Friday Breakfast 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Al Strom 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Rosalie Rusovick 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Marie Alexander 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Frank Nichols 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Larry Scilley 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Mary Anderson

#### Historian: Bruce Keller Interclub: Phyllis Jacobs Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Looft IDD: Phyllis Jacobs

Publicity: Tom Lemke Newsletter: Dick Odell Regional Rep: Norm Morrison Pres. Advisor: Pat Horlocker

## **Program Schedule**

Jan 04 Merle Dunn's Poetry Reading, Merle Dunn

Jan 11 What the Library Does that no one knows!, Tom Dyer, Rochester Public Library

Jan 18 Update on Scouting, Jennifer Butson, Gamehaven Council

Jan 25 Rochester History – Part III, John Hunziker, Olmsted Historical Society

Feb 01 Community Clothesline, Sister Chrishelle Jaspers

## Day Maker Web Site

The Day Makers web site has moved to a more appropriate URL. So reset your browser favorites to the following: http://www.kiwanisrochester.org.

Don't forget to attend the Kiwanis / Wells Fargo Hockey Festival, Dec 28-30<sup>th</sup>. The hockey festival web site is located at:

http://kiwaniswellsfargohockey.com

Dick Odell, web editor

#### **President's Corner**

Unbelievably, we are turning the calendar to a new year (doesn't it seem like last month we just started this one?). I hope the coming year treats you and your family well and that it is a happy and healthy one for all.

Thanks to the Program Committee for a great Christmas party that started off Christmas week in fine style. Who would have believed that we could squeeze the whole Century choir into one end of our meeting room? (I guess we have lots of room to add on new members, then ... right?) And they made beautiful music. Of course. special thanks to all of you for MY amazing Christmas gift of the Hixon award. I feel very honored that you selected me for this recognition. Take a look at the pictures from the party on our web page at: http://kiwanisrochester.org (thanks, Dick, for getting those out there so quickly).

Many, many thanks also to all of our Christmas Anonymous elves. What a wonderful service project – helping those who are less fortunate to experience the gifts of the season. Ken Plummer headed up the Transportation Department – along with 25 Day Makers (and about an equivalent number of Golden K members) who worked over 330 hours – moving 1500 totes to Assisi and Christ United Methodist, 70,000 lbs of food from Channel One, 120 tables from/to the Civic Center, clothes, toys and food from 22 schools, 5 truckloads of clothes, toys and food from storage, leftovers to storage, and boxes and toys for the KTTC toy drive (whew!).

Transportation is only one piece of the picture, though. Marie Alexander coordinated the planning and ordering of food. Phyllis Jacobs oversaw the organization of the Contribution Center. Russ Hanson was responsible for Seniors' food ordering, packing and distribution. Jack Holmes and his bike crew took over 200 bikes they had refurbished to look like new.

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January	Birthdays
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2	Paul Sodt	19	Betty Morrison
8	Vern Knappe	22	Ella VanLaningham
8	David Truxal	27	David Arlander
14	Bill Dunnette	28	Charles Butler
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## **January Anniversaries**

None

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## Secretary/Treasurers Report – Nov '04

 Bank Balance 11/30/04:
 \$ 12,658.59

 Administrative Account:
 \$ 9,279.66

 Service Account:
 \$ 2,815.47

 Hockey/YCPO:
 \$ 402.04

 Bike Repair:
 \$ 161.42

November Service Hour Statistics: 680 hours by 54 members, 67% Participation. Day Makers on leave: Bill Dunnette, Merlyn Jeche, David Truxal, Gerry Werven, John Wade

## 12/1404 Board Meeting Highlights:

The annual Kiwanis Chili Feed, to benefit the Senior Center, will be held on March 5, 2005 at the Senior Center. Rochester West is in charge, and Marie Alexander will be our Day Maker Liaison. Skip-a-Meal will be done in January. The audit of the clubs financial records for the 2003/2004 Kiwanis year was completed by Tom Lemke and Bob Wenner. There were no issues.

The board approved membership applications from Joyce Hart and Byron Stadsvold. President Ella asked each board member to develop criteria for distributing funds from the Service Account and to nominate projects to receive funds before the next board meeting. President Ella asked each board member to review the Membership Stabilization Plan developed by the District Governor and District Governor Elect, and provide comments to her via e-mail.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership-** We have five new members this Kiwanis year (Since 10/1/04), with membership currently at 83. **Program-** Century HS will bring its sixty member choir for our Christmas party on December 21. Programs are scheduled through February.

**Operations** - We continue to sell Senior Center coupon books. We have not looked at other selling sites. We plan to continue selling through January. The committee is starting to do the groundwork for a DM Foundation. **Community Service-** The board is pleased with the results of Christmas Anonymous. There is concern for Community Food Project drivers since three have dropped recently.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** The board approved a committee recommendation to make the Book Project for Women in Prison under Community Clothes Line an approved club project.

**YCPO-** January 29<sup>th</sup> will be Souper Bowl Saturday. CCR&R was suggested for a donation of service fund monies.

Youth Services- Christmas Anonymous large size bike helmets are being exchanged for smaller ones. Terrific Kids supplies have been ordered. The committee is exploring doing tutoring at John Marshall HS, and will be meeting with school staff. Jerry Steinke and Judy Lien will be chairing committee while Rosalie is on leave. (Continued next column -->)

**IDD-** The committee will prepare a newsletter article to update the club in what is happening with the IDD project, also a presentation at a meeting. The committee would like to place donation cans in businesses again.

Richard Lundberg

## **Human and Spiritual Values Committee:**

It is probably a good thing that New Years Day follows so closely after Christmas because it makes it easier to incorporate the Christmas message in our resolutions.

Yes, many of us have given up making resolutions. So often they seem to be broken quickly. But, the idea of constantly reframing life's intent, of remembering what and who we want to be, is a healthy human endeavor. The New Year affords us a good opportunity to reaffirm our deepest purposes and values. It is a worthy suggestion that we carry the peace and goodwill of Christmas over into our approach to the new year.

Frank Nichols

## YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE:

The Youth Services Committee met Dec. 21. Al reported that all 140 bicycle helmets were distributed by noon at Christmas Anonymous. There was some discussion about distributing bicycle helmets—when to do it and how often. A Bike Rodeo was mentioned as a good idea to pursue.

Al and Dave said 190 bikes were given at Christmas Anonymous this December. However there were 23 left at the end of the day. They felt it was because some people might not have had a way to transport them home.

Dallas reported on tutoring at Pinewood. He said there are always 4-6 Day Makers present and plenty of children to tutor. Terrific Kids is going smoothly and a Popcorn Party was held last week.

Jerry reported on the Century Key Club. He has invited the officers to our meeting Dec. 28. It is a way for us to connect with them as well as for them to see how our club meeting is conducted.

Rosalie and Al reported on a meeting they had with John Marshall H.S. counselors and administrators regarding a proposed tutoring project there. There will be more information coming on this with Mary Sorensen attending a meeting in January to answer questions members might have. It is thought this would start around Feb.7, 2005.

Rosalie will be on leave January through April 1. During her absence Jerry Steinke and Judy Lien will conduct meetings. Thank You!!!

Rosalie Rusovick

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## **President's Corners :** (Cont from page 1)

Al Southwick and his bike helmet project assistants gave away 140 helmets. All in all, it was a very successful venture.

Simultaneously, John Looft gathered together his Salvation Army Red Kettle ringers – 20 Day Makers – for 38 hours of service. Kudos to those elves too.

And now, the current big effort is this week's Kiwanis / Wells Fargo Hockey Festival, December 28-30. This will be the 12<sup>th</sup> year of this combined fund raising and sporting event. Over \$396,000 has been raised and distributed to local and other Kiwanis sponsored youth and community service projects in the past 11 years. Thanks go to those who help volunteer to take a stint and those who buy or sell tickets. Check it out at: <a href="http://kiwaniswellsfargohockey.com">http://kiwaniswellsfargohockey.com</a>

Meanwhile, new member Dallas Glaser has been busily selling the Senior Center coupon books – 22 books by the end of November – a nice fund-raiser for both the Senior Center and ourselves. Thank you for jumping right in Dallas.

Looking ahead, we have several dates you should put on your calendars.

- **January 29** will be the Souper Bowl Party, benefiting Child Care Resource and Referral, and headed up by Young Children Priority One under Larry Scilley.
- March 5 will be the Senior Center Chili Feed –
  Marie Alexander of Community Services will be
  our liaison on this project.
- **April 7-10** will be the visit by International President Case Van Kleef to Minneapolis let's organize a contingent to go to events connected with his visit.
- **July 2-6** is the Kiwanis International Convention in Hawaii. Glenn and I already have our tickets and would love to have some of you go with us. It will be fun!

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## **Rochester on Tour of State Capitol:**

Tour the capitol and meet the legislators in St Paul on Tues, Jan 25<sup>th</sup>. Call (507) 288-1122 or use: <a href="http://rochestermnchamber.com">http://rochestermnchamber.com</a> to register. Cost is \$20 and includes the bus ride to St. Paul.

## **Hixon Award Winner:**

The George F. Hixon Fellowship was established in 1983 to honor the first president of Kiwanis International, George F. Hixon. Contributions of \$1000.00 to the International Foundation were recognized by induction into this fellowship. When the Worldwide Service Project, the virtual elimination of Iodine Deficiency Disorders, was adopted in 1994, monies donated were earmarked toward the goal of raising \$75 million dollars. That goal was achieved in 2000 and was recognized by a reception by invitation to a banquet that was held in 2002, being delayed due to the attack on the World Trade Center in 2001.

In 2003, the percentage of countries that were serviced by iodized salt, the preferred method of insuring iodine in the diet, was raised from twenty to eighty three. At that time, maintenance of what had been accomplished **and** the completion of the project required an extension for collection of additional funds. Acknowledgement that monitoring of participating also prompted a new goal of an additional \$3 million dollars that would be matched by two United Nations organizations, bringing a grand total of \$9 million dollars.

The Rochester Day Makers have collected sufficient funds since the onset of this project to honor almost thirty of our members with induction into this remarkable fellowship. Each thousand-dollar contribution touches the lives of twenty thousand children throughout the world. So we are justifiably proud of our club for serving almost six hundred thousand children.

We continue to contribute by collecting change at our weekly meetings and by helping at the annual Kiwanis/Wells Fargo Hockey Festival over the past few years. Congratulations to each and every one of you.

This year's Day Makers Hixon Award was presented to **Ella VanLaningham** in Dec'04. Congratulations to Ella! Chuck



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## **New Member Bios:**

**Joyce Hart** 12/14/04

I was born in Wisconsin and moved to Rochester in 1949 and have lived here ever since. I worked primarily in the banking business and started at Olmsted County Bank (now Marquette).

I worked in all areas of the bank, including Manager of Bookkeeping, Secretary, Commercial Loan Teller, Real Estate Loan Processor and Servicer. I established the Internal Audit Department and ended up as a Real Estate Loan Officer and Vice President of Marquette Bank, the first female bank officer in Rochester. After leaving there, I was involved in the Mortgage Lending field at Northland Mortgage and at TCF Mortgage, retiring from there in 1993.

I was a Charter Member of the National Secretaries Association (now Professional Secretaries International), having served as the Rochester Chapter President and President of the Minnesota-North Dakota Division. I acquired the qualification as a "Certified Professional Secretary" (CPS), the third person to achieve this rating in Rochester.

While in the banking business, I served as Board Member and officer, including President of the Southeastern Minnesota Bank Administration Institute.

I am presently occupied with volunteering in the Senior Citizens Gift Shop and serving as Treasurer of the Masonic Temple Association and Treasurer of the Eastern Star. Other than that, I enjoy visiting my son and daughter-in-law and two grandsons in Austin, Texas.

Welcome to Joyce Hart!



## New Member Bios:

Steve Steele 10/14/04

I was born in Rockford, Illinois and raised just outside of the city in an area that is currently called Machensey Park. After completion of a 2 year engineering school, I joined IBM in 1965 and completed my BSEE training with IBM where I worked in product development until retiring in 1997. I am not married.

I have moved to Rochester several times spending a total of 22 years in the community. First arrived in 1965, then in 1989 from the Boulder, Colorado area, then again in 2004 from Whitefish, Montana, where I was a Kiwanis member. As for my military service, I was enlisted in USNR from 1965 to 1971 where I was a tone deaf airborne helicopter sonar operator.

My community involvement since returning here in mid July has been nil, but while in Whitefish I was involved in service work with Kiwanis where I was a director, the winter treasurer, and past president; and in the Stumptown (Whitefish) Historical Society where I was the photo archivist and vice-president. My hobby interests center around railroads and video photography. I'm a member of several railroad historical societies and am planning a model railroad for the basement in my new home.

I joined Daymakers to establish new friendships within the Kiwanis Club and resume community service work in Rochester.

Welcome to Steve Steele!



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