



Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club
 Tues 9:00 A.M. at Rochester Elks Lodge 1091 Building,
 1652 US Hwy 52, Rochester MN 55901
 See Day Makers on the web at: <http://www.kiwanisrochester.org>
 See MN-DAK District Site at: <http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org>
Newsletter for February 2023
 Minnekotan for this month is available at:
<http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/1014>

**DAYMAKERS
 KIWANIS**

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OFFICERS President Linda Rouhoff Imm. Past Pres. Herb Erickson Pres. Elect Janet Cederholm 1 st Vice Pres. Becky Hopson Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt		DIRECTORS (3 yr terms) Jim Decker 2023 Dave Bhaskaran 2024 Garry Post 2024 Bruce Keller 2025 Larry Scilley 2025		Chairs & Meeting Dates Membership Jim Schwinghammer 3 rd Thursday 9am Program Jim Cook 1 st Tuesday, 10:15am Youth Services Helen Kolb, Ken Reding 4 th Tuesday Community Services Rick Johnson 3 rd Tuesday, 8:30 am Human & Spiritual Ruth Vrieze 3 rd Tuesday, 10am Early Childhood Dev Linda Rouhoff 4 th Tuesday Operations/Fund Raising Jim Schwinghammer 1 st Tuesday Board Meeting Linda Rouhoff 2 nd Tuesday, 10am Strategic Planning Jim Cook	
Historian: Bruce Keller Interclub: Herb Erickson Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker		Pres.Advisor: Kathy Davis Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell			

Program Schedule:
 ...Special Notice ...
Four meetings in February are at 9am at the Elk's.
 In-Person/Zoom meetings weekly ,see details on page 2.

02/07 Bike Rides with Vern, Vern Yetzer, Kathy Davis

02/14 New Rochester Recreation Center - Mentorship Academy, Andre Crockett, Kathy Davis

02/21 "Once Lost:" Steps for Writing and Publishing a Book, Ron Elcombe, Jack Zierdt

02/28 OPEN

President's Corner:

Well, we all made it to the new year! Our prayers are with Bev, Nyckie, Marv, Herb, Shar, and others who have health concerns. We wish them healing and strength.

We celebrated the success of the Hockey Festival and applaud all those who helped make it a success, which includes nearly every member of our group!

Our speakers this month expanded our knowledge of needs and opportunities in our community. City Council Member Patrick Keane brought us up-to-date on the status of a new water park in Rochester and other city issues. Randy Kuznicki told us about the Zumbro Valley Treasure Hunters: how, where and why they hunt and examples of what they find. Many of us thought this could be an interesting hobby! Larry More, Jordan and Cody shared how the Three Rivers Community Action Group is helping the 8000 homeless in our immediate area. We were astounded by the number and needs they deal with, emphasizing it really does take a whole community to handle this situation. We were encouraged to communicate with our elected officials about any of these and other issues that concern us.

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Happy Valentine's Day:

Don't forget to celebrate Valentine's Day with someone you love ... spouse, kids, grandkids or that special friend.

Why is Valentine's Day about love?
 St Valentine defied the emperor's order and secretly married couples to spare the husbands from war.

It is for this reason that his feast day is associated with love.

February Birthdays

01 Jack Zierdt
 07 Tom Lemke
 10 Hollis Feeser
 16 Shar Hain

February Anniversaries:

08 Becky and Joe Hopson
 12 Ruth and Dick Vrieze

Treasurer's Summary: Accounts Balance 01/30/2023

Administrative Account	\$ 2,882.90
Service Account	\$ 9,627.07
Charitable Account	\$ 10,728.89
	\$ 23,238.86

Total Membership as of January 30, 2023 **47**

"K" Dollars Total for 2022 – 2023 Kiwanis Year as of 01/24/2023 **\$975.00**

Day Makers ZOOM Meetings:

Time: Feb 7, 2023 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89214435278?pwd=RDlyU3cxYjJ5V2Y1b0txQThCbzhDdz09>
 Meeting ID: 892 1443 5278
 Passcode: goblue

Time: Feb 14, 2023 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88142898562?pwd=QW1jWmhvbTJ5YjZmRVhwSi9FK0FRZz09>
 Meeting ID: 881 4289 8562
 Passcode: goblue

Time: Feb 21, 2023 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83052027752?pwd=TXJCRUx6b0tMNWtUa2hHbk1UbjZoQT09>
 Meeting ID: 830 5202 7752
 Passcode: goblue

Time: Feb 28, 2023 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87547907771?pwd=djFvOTc0MWg4bHFOZFHxeWt0Z3FXQT09>
 Meeting ID: 875 4790 7771
 Passcode: goblue

Dave Bhaskaran

Hy-Vee Grocery Receipts: Fund Raiser

Please save your HyVee receipts and turn them in at the Kiwanas meetings. I turn them into Riverside school. The school secretary adds them up and will turn the total amount into Hy-Vee. The school gets a percentage of the sales. Thanks to everyone for helping!!

If you don't attend meetings, but want to help, send your receipts to:

Helen Kolb
 825 Essex Parkway NW
 Rochester, MN 55901

Helen Kolb

President's Corner: (Continued from page 1)

As president, I have had the opportunity to speak about an issue which is important to me which is civil rights. I have shared some and hope to share more stories and facts next month, which is Black History month.

In spite of the cold, icy weather, we have had good attendance at our meetings and hope this continues. We need involvement from more folks to contact and secure speakers, to be greeters, and to do the invocation. As our last presenter said, it does take the whole community, even within our group!

Linda Rouholf, DM President

St, Valentine's Day Celebration:

Date: February 14th

Observed for: 1527 years

Significance: Celebration of love and affection

Gifts: Flowers, candy, dinner out or at least a "I still love you card."

Dick Odell

Rochester Minnesota Resources – Low Income Housing

The Green Book

The "Green" book is generated annually by Olmsted County Community Services through printing donations from the faith community. It offers the most comprehensive list of services for low income and homeless individuals.

Green Book - Unedited
<http://www.centercityhousing.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/Green-Book-Unedited.pdf>

**Erick Skuldt
Dick Odell**

MN-Dak Kiwanis District Newsletters:

Keep in touch and know who our new District / Division officers are or have been in the past. MN-Dak District Leadership Directories by year.
<https://mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/1018>

Dick Odell

K-Kids Riverside Elementary:

Here are a few pictures of the Riverside K-Kids decorating water bottles to give to [The Landing](#).

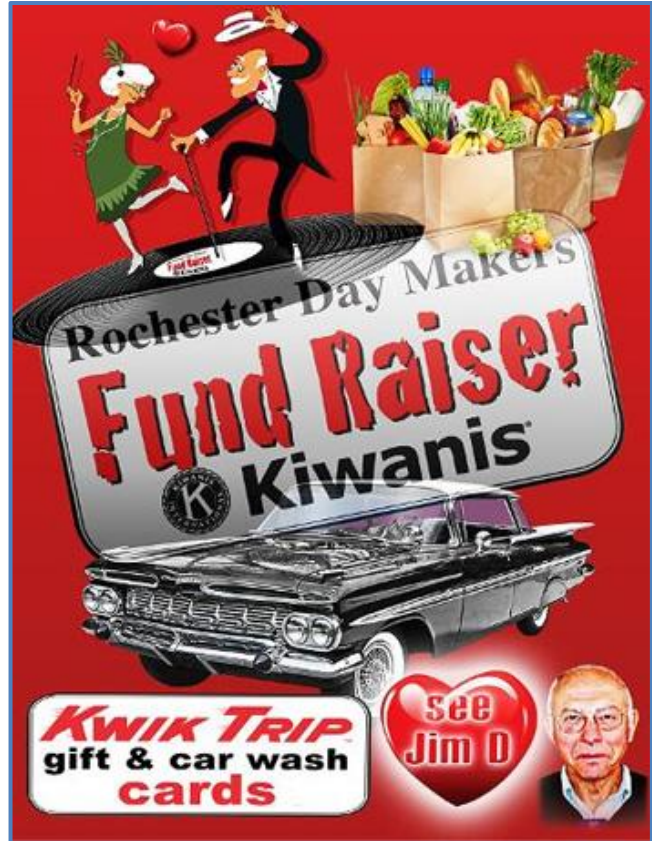


The K-Kids are hoping that their friendly messages will be enjoyed by the people at the Landing.



Helen Kolb and Audrey Crooks

Kwik Trip Fund Raiser:



See Jim Decker for the best deals Good coffee and keep that vehicle clear of winter salt spray.

Garry Post and Dick Odell

K-Dollar Challenge:

Our club is doing very well with the “K-Dollar Challenge”. After today’s meeting (01/31), we have now collected \$1,066.

Remember though that we could have some competition this year since some clubs heard about our members having fun collecting “K-Dollars” for their birthday or anniversary number.

Thank you so much for your continued support of this fundraiser for the Children’s Fund, as well as a great Internal Fundraiser for our club.

Judy Zierdt

Black History Month – February:

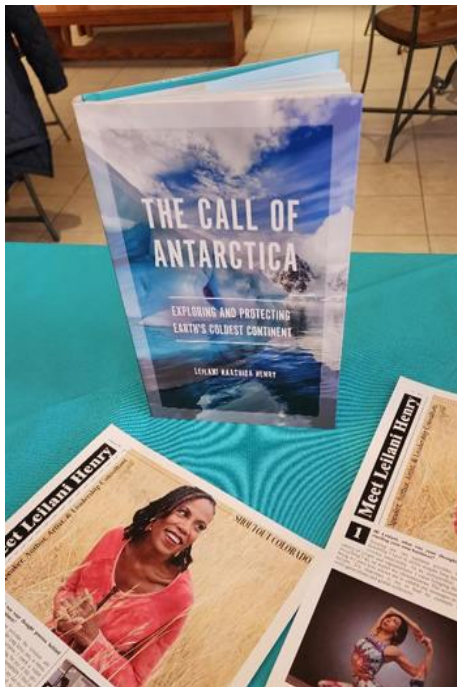
As I mentioned in our 01/31/2023 Day Makers meeting, the Rochester community and our Kiwanis Clubs have a very close relationship with a member of our black community – George and Joyce Gibbs family.

If you have not heard the history of the Gibbs family, starting with George’s adventure to Antarctica, Rochester IBM and Rochester Kiwanis Club President, you should consider reading a short article on the internet at:

[Embracing Black History in #RochMN - George W. Gibbs Jr.](https://rochesterlocal.com/antiracism/embracing-black-history-in-rochmn-george-w-gibbs-jr/)

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The second topic I referenced in our meeting was a new book called “**The Call of Antarctica**”, which was written by George Gibbs daughter ,, Leilani (Gibbs) Henry and published by Learner Publishing Group, Inc. in 2022.



It is a most interesting book on Antarctic (128 pages) with 16 chapters and 35+ sub-topic regarding the exploration, magnetic polls, flora/fauna, countries managing the sections and of course the role of women in Antarctica.

The book is available at the Olmsted Historical Center.
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Black History Month: (continued)

Needless to say, Leilani’s message from the pulpit was well received by our church members and the committee for the United Women in Faith service.



I would also like to take a moment and thank the Day Makers Program committee and especially Bob Nowicki for getting Rochester City Councilman Pat Keane to take time to present to our meeting.



His perspective of the task of representing the people of Rochester views on some very “hot” topics was very interesting.

Thank you for your service ... Pat Keane.

Dick Odell

Board of Directors Meeting: January 10, 2023

Linda called the Board meeting to order at 10:14 AM

Board Members/Committee Chairs Present: Jack Zierdt, Jim Decker, Rick Johnson, Jim Cook, Herb Erickson, Linda Rouhoff, Helen Kolb, Larry Scilley, Garry Post, Janet Cederholm, Becky Hopson, Dave Bhaskaran and Greg Hain.

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent Bruce Keller, Ken Reding, Ruth Vrieze, Jim Schwinghammer.

Other Day Makers, Members Present, Kathy Davis, Sue Johnson, and Judy Zierdt.

Approval of Agenda: It was moved, by Dave Bhaskaran and seconded by Jim Decker to approve the agenda.

Approved

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: Garry Post moved, and Jim Decker seconded to approve the minutes from the December 13, 2022, Board Meeting. **Motion was Approved**

Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2022: The printed report was sent out to all board members preceding the meeting. Larry Scilley moved, and Helen Kolb seconded the motion to approve the report as corrected. **Motion was Approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Linda went over material that she had printed about the Trek Corporation Plastic Recycling Program. After some discussion it was decided that we would like to have Linda continue to pursue someone to come and speak to our club on the topic.

Correspondence from Rochester Community and Technical College Foundation showing this year's scholarship recipient profile was passed around for the board to see. The RCTC Foundation is requesting a decision for the next year regarding our decision about renewing our scholarship no later than March 1, 2023. Dave Bhaskaran made a motion and Linda Rouhoff seconded the motion to renew our 2 - \$500 scholarships with the RCTC Foundation. **Motion Carried**

OTHER BUSINESS:

Jim Decker reported on the 2022 Hockey Festival. The festival was a success. He thanked our club for the assistance and work by our members before and during the festival. He also, reported that he had presented our club with a \$3,000.00 check from this year's festival proceeds and that he expects we will probably be getting another check in April or May of approximately \$2,500 or \$3,000. He mentioned that another \$3,000.00 donation for the hockey festival was received from Charlie today.

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BOD Meeting: continued

Kathy Davis said that she was given two choices for the placement of our bench. The choices are either the Castle Park at Soldiers Field or the three circle park at the accessible park. The consensus of the board was to place the bench at the Soldiers Field Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Service: Rick reported that our big service month was over and was a big success. He also stated that the Meals on Wheels and Channel 1 continue to present us with service opportunities. It was also that John Marshall High School raised \$50,000 dollars for Christmas Anonymous.

Early Childhood Committee: Linda stated that she will pick up the SMIF Books tonight (01/10) and bring them to our meeting next week (01/17) to have labels put in them.

Membership Committee and Operations/Fund

Raising: Jim was not present to make a report. Jack reported that we have 45 of our 47 members that are paid up on their first quarter dues. He reported that Nyckie Evans has been placed on medical leave.

Strategic Planning: Need to bring in some new members.

Human and Spiritual: Judy Zierdt reported that Ruth sent out Christmas Cards to 7 members. Ruth also stated that the Salvation Army Bell Ringing went very well. Judy reported that she has sent a card to Jody Peterson, Riverside K-kids Advisor, on the death of her brother. Approximately 200 cards were delivered to The Landing, Salvation Army and foster children. Judy will be handling the cards during Ruth's absence.

Program: We need programs!!!

Public Relations: Greg reported that he will be having a committee meeting next Tuesday (01/17) following our regular meeting

Youth Services: It was mentioned that there will be a Key Club Advisors webinar coming up and Kathy D will make sure that our Century Key Club Advisor is aware of the date and time.

Linda adjourned the meeting at 11:07 AM!

Jack Zierdt, Secretary/Treasurer