

Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Rochester Athletic Club Building, 3100 19th Street NW Rochester MN

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

Newsletter for March 2016

Minnekotan for this month is available at:

http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/public_district/pub_Content.aspx?PageID=79



OFFICERS

President	Joanne Markee
Imm. Past Pres.	Judy Zierdt
Pres. Elect	Bill Wichmann
1st Vice Pres.	Peter Schuh
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

Judy Zierdt

Membership
Program
Youth Services
Community Services
Human & Spiritual
Early Childhood Dev
Operations
Board Meeting
Eliminate Project

CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Peter Schuh	3 Thursday 9am
Bill Wichmann	1st Tuesday, 10:15a
Jerry Steinke	1st Tuesday
Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson	3rd Tuesday, 8:30 am
Ruth Vrieze	3 nd Tuesday, 10am
Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze	4th Tuesday
Judy Zierdt	1st Tuesday
Joanne Markee	2 nd Tuesday, 10am
Jack Zierdt Herb Erickson	1st Tuesday 10am

Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Zierdt **Program Schedule:**

Historian: Bruce Keller

Interclub: Roger Olson

Mar 01 - Education, Joanne Markee

Mar 08 - Community School Plans, Jacque Peterson, Bill Wichmann

Pres. Advisor:

Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell

Imm Past Lt Gov Div 7: Dick Odell

Mar 15 - The Change of Seasons, Harry Buck, Jean Dunn

Mar 22 - MN Adult & Teen Challenge, Corey Jordon, Bill Wichmann

Mar 29 - Gage East Apartments and Empowerment Center, Nancy Cashman, Bill Wichmann

Dates to Remember:

Mar 17th – Membership Committee, Perkins South http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.ing

New MN-Dak District Web Site – Check it out at: http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/

Be generous with your service and \$\$s.

We Care Month - Zeller Fellowship

March 100+ years of Kiwanis



President's Corner:

No content available at press time.

Used Shoe Collection:

A dozen Day Makers participated with other organizations to collect over 3000 pairs of used shoes and organized them by size etc. and loaded them on a truck for shipment overseas to be reconditioned and distributed to needy people.



The shoes have been donated, banded, bagged and loaded on the truck to be taken to the Funds2orgs donation site. Thanks to everyone who donated shoes and to the crew of people that came to load the truck! CUMC should be receiving payment shortly, with the funds going to Project Legacy and UMW Missions at Christ United Methodist Church. Cont on page 3→

March Birthdays:

7	Jim Cook	23	Bev Livesay
16	Eric Skuldt	29	Bob Wenner
22	Dick Hall		

March Anniversaries:

Larry & Kathleen Krob

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – 02/11/16:

 Bank Balance – 12/31/2015:
 \$8,478.12

 Administrative Account:
 \$5,806.79

 Service Account:
 \$2,459.20

 Bike Repair:
 \$ 212.13

Day Makers on leave: Marie Bellabe, Don Cain, Ron King, Sara King, Dennis Lee, Karen Lee, Judy Lien, Frank Nichols, Curt Pearson, Jim Schwinghammer, Mike Siverling, Dave Truxal.

January Service Hour Statistics: 634 hours by 32 members, 45% Participation.

February 2016 Board Meeting Summary

It was brought to the board's attention that there is an "Amazon Smile" program that will allow a percentage of each Amazon purchase to be directed to a charity. Now that a bank account has been established under the local Charitable Fund, the connection to "Amazon Smile" can be established. The board passed a motion to Name Richard Lundberg, Secretary/Treasurer as the "Organization Administrator" to accept the Participation Agreement on behalf of the club. Amazon Smile requires an e-mail address, bank account number, and a voided check.

The Membership Committee has requested that the web address for the club's photo gallery of members be added to our roster. This item was tabled until the next board meeting since a representative of the membership committee was not in attendance.

Club Survey Assessment:

- More Club Education is needed. An education element will be included in our meetings once per month.
- Clipboard passing during our meeting program is disruptive to our members, and rude to our speakers and guests. We will immediately have the clipboards on a table next to the check-in table for project sign-up before and after meetings.
- We will test a "Lucky Buck" raffle at our meetings.
- We are <u>not</u> helping the Key Club fund their retreat.
 The board is discussing ways to help the Key Club with these costs.
- The board is looking at the possibility of doing a large, signature, fund-raising event in the community to fund our local service projects. Some of the ideas, so far, are a Golf Drop or other significant fundraising event at Rochester Fest or Winter Fest.

The board is in agreement with all of the above points.

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Secy Report: (Continued)

Bob Nowicki updated the board on the status of the Kiwanis Hockey Festival. There is a good chance that Cambria will be the major sponsor again in 2016. The leaders of the Hockey Festival are requesting that three members, from each club, be named to represent their club, in helping to plan and direct the 2016 Hockey Festival. The following members volunteered: Jim Decker, Kathy Davis, Helen Kolb, Bob Nowicki, Dick Odell, and Jack Zierdt.

NEW BUSINESS

The board appointed a committee to look at two potential club meeting sites: the Rochester Area Foundation Building on Elton Hills Drive, and Peace UCC Church, behind Silver Lake Foods. Four members volunteered to look at these sites and report back to the board: Jim Cook, Kathy Davis, Carolyn Heyne, Judy Zierdt.

Gage Elementary School wants to establish a Reading Oasis Program, like the one at Harriet Bishop School, which was established with the initiative of the Rochester Sun Risers Kiwanis Club. The \$10K cost would be funded by various grants including the Rochester School District, the Southern Minnesota Initiative Fund, and Scholastic Books. Some of our Hockey Tournament funds could be applied also. This would also require membership involvement. The board directed Jack Zierdt to make Grant Application(s).

The board discussed the Food For Kids program to be done in Stewartville, lead by the Stewartville Kiwanis Club, again this spring. Bruce Jawer has volunteered to chair the event for our club. Our clubs funding responsibility, of \$2,000, would be \$1,500 in donations by members, and \$500 from our clubs Service Fund. The board approved a motion that our club participate in the Food for Kids project Stewartville.

The board discussed the fact that the \$250 in the Service Fund budget for the Circle K Club at UMR will not be spent since the club is inactive this year. These funds could be diverted to either to the Key Club, for their retreat, or to the Reading Oasis at Gage.

The Kiwanis Hockey Festival has recently provided our club with \$1,000 in proceeds from the 2014 event. The board will decide at a later date how to use these funds. Our clubs share of the 2015 Kiwanis Hockey Festival will be distributed to us at a later date.

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Harriet Bishop K-Kids:

Approximately 45 Bishop K-Kids meet the first and third Tuesday of the month. They've been an extremely busy group this year, planning special days at school and working on several projects.

They read the books Kiwanis provided to 64 Head Start kids at Bishop and gave them the books to take home.

Recently, they spearheaded the Channel One food drive at Bishop raising \$407.91 through a hat day, pajama pants party, and stuffed animal day at school. In addition, 489 food items were collected. Currently, they're working on a goal of raising \$300 to buy an X Box for the Boys and Girls Club (presently at \$114.47) and making blankets for "Hugs for Hunter Foundation" which is a charity in memory of a former Bishop student who tragically died in an accident.



Mrs Landherr Hugs For Hunter blankets.

They are also planning a *dress as your favorite Dr*. *Seuss character* in honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday and Count Down to Summer Days.



K-Kids Harriet Bishop:

In addition to regular meetings, they sacrifice many recesses and part of lunch to work on and plan projects. President Taylor Adams and officers meet with advisors Mrs. Schultze and Mrs. McGuire to plan agendas for regular meetings.



Mrs McGuiren with committee.

This group really understands the ideals of K-Kids as they hone their leadership skill. What a great SLP (Service Leadership Program).

Richard Johnson

Used Shoes Collection: from page 1



Thank you Larry S, Jack and Judy Z, Kathy D, Rick J George and Carolyn H, Jerry S (and other DMs) and many others who collected and donated the shoes. Heave-ho and away they go....

Dick Odell

Secy Report: (from page 2)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Service- The Mending Little Hearts Service Project is inactive, and should be dropped from our list of Service Projects. Christmas Anonymous served 567 families in December. John Marshall High School raised \$36,000 in funding for Christmas Anonymous.

Operations- Jim Cook and Judy Zierdt are working on getting a date for the next Pizza Ranch Fund Raiser.

Public Relations- The Senior Center Chili Feed Fund Raiser has been dropped this year, so no publicity is needed. The planning, fundraising, and opening of the Reading Oasis at Gage School may be the next event to publicize.

Early Childhood Development- This committee will be involved in the planning of the proposed Reading Oasis at Gage School.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

Elementary School Riddle Jokes:

- Q. Why did the clock go to the principal's office?
- A. For tocking too much!
- Q. Why did the student drown?
- A. All her grades were below C-level!
- Q. Where do New York City kids learn their multiplication tables?
- A. Times Square.
- Q. What did the student say to the math worksheet?
- A. I'm not a therapist, solve your own problems!
- Q. What do you call a boy with a dictionary in his pocket?
- A. Smartie Pants!
- Q. How did the teacher knit a suit of armor?
- A. She used steel wool!
- Q. What's the difference between a teacher and a train? A. The teacher says throw out that gum and a train says chew, chew!
- Q. Where did the pencil go for vacation? A. To Pennsylvania.

Have fun at your Reading Programs..... Dick Odell

Our Greatest Achievement:

Kiwanis' greatest achievement isn't the tens of million of lives we saved through The Eliminate Project. It's not the millions of children protected from the leading cause of preventable mental disability - *iodine deficiency* - which was our first global campaign for children.

Rather, our greatest achievement continues to be creating the next generation of leaders who will have the ability and confidence to knock out other great world problems. Our greatest achievement is Kiwanis' Service Leadership Programs (SLP).

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M/NT UPDATE:

We did it! Kiwanis achieves goal - The Eliminate Project has reached its goal.

This past February, Kiwanis International announced that members, clubs, districts and supporters have donated and pledged US\$110 million for the campaign to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. Learn more at http://TheEliminateProject.org.

"I am so proud to call myself a Kiwanian," says Kiwanis International President Sue Petrisin. "More than 55 million mothers and babies will be saved from this cruel disease because of Kiwanis.

"But our work isn't done. We must now turn our attention on fulfilling our pledges and continuing to work with UNICEF to fund MNT-elimination projects in 21 nations where tetanus still threatens the lives of babies and their mothers."

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Rodeo Time in Texas:



Yahoo! Giddy Up!

Kiwanis Mission Statement:

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to *improving* the world one child and one community at a time.