



Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 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 April 2017

Minnekotan for this month is available at:
<http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/1014>

CONGRATULATIONS



MODEL CLUB

OFFICERS

President	Nowicki/Zierdt
Imm. Past Pres.	Joanne Markee
Pres. Elect	Shar Hain
1 st Vice Pres.	TBD
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Bruce Jawer	2017
Kathy Davis	2018
Gene Mullenbach	2018
George Heyne	2019
Jim Schwinghammer	2019

CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Shar Hain	3 rd Thursday 9am
Program	Ella VanLaningham	1 st Tuesday, 10:15am
Youth Services	Kathy Davis	1 st Tuesday
Community Services	Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson	3 rd Tuesday, 8:30 am
Human & Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze	3 rd Tuesday, 10am
Early Childhood Dev	Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze	4 th Tuesday
Funds Raising/PR	Joanne Markee/Bob Nowicki	1 st Tuesday
Board Meeting	Bob Nowicki	2 nd Tuesday, 10am
Eliminate Project	Jack Zierdt, Herb Erickson	1 st Tuesday, 10am

Historian: Bruce Keller	Pres.Advisor: Judy Zierdt, Joanne Markee
Interclub: Roger Olson	Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker	Im Past Lt Gov Div 7: Dick Odell

Program Schedule:

- 04/04 Olmsted County Drug Court**, Joe Vogel, Bob Nowicki
- 04/11 Habitat for Humanity ReStore**, Amanda Kintzi, Bob Nowicki
- 04/18 Mayo Media Service**, Jeanne Klein, Bob Nowicki
- 04/25 Kiwanis I-Plan Section #3**, Jim Cook, Jim Cook

Dates to Remember:

- April 1st** – Kiwanis One Day – Food for Kidz, Stewartville Kiwanis
- April 18th** – Final IRS Tax Filing date
- April 20th** – Membership Committee, Perkins South
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>

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

Thought for the Month:

When life throws you a lemon be sure you know how to make and sell lemonade.!

April Birthdays:

4	Don Wendt	13	Ron King
5	Larry Segar	16	Roger Olson
10	Frank Nichols		

Presidents' Corner:

What a month! We celebrated the successful completion of our Eliminate pledge resulting in our being awarded the Eliminate Model Club status which we celebrated in fine style at our March 28th meeting. Thanks to all who helped make this possible.

We welcomed a new member, Wayne Harvey, to our club at our March 14th meeting. Make sure you meet and welcome Wayne when you see him. Wayne is also the Event Chair of this year's RochesterFest and is full of great ideas on making this the best Fest ever...I'm sure we can help make this possible again just as we have in the past.

Welcome back to Sara and Ron King who suffered a serious setback while on their World-Wide tour and with Ron ending up in a hospital in Osaka, Japan. Ron is still on the mend so continue your positive get well thoughts and prayers. Looking forward to you rejoining us soon, Ron.

Thanks to everyone who will be working at the Food For Kidz program in Stewartville on Saturday, April 1. No April Fool's joke but a fantastic effort to provide a significant International Day of Service to the world. We had been contacted by The Rochester Rotary Risers Club contacted me looking for a joint service project this last week in March. Told them about our Kiwanis effort with FFK and they jumped at helping. I believe they are going to join us all next year as well. Nice collaboration.

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April Anniversaries:

12	Bob & Pat Wenner
29	George & Carolyn Heyne
29	Rick & Sue Johnson

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – 02/14/2017:

Bank Balance 3/31/2017:	\$5,454.22
Bike Repair Fund:	\$ 208.20
Charitable Account	\$ 171.74
Administrative Fund:	\$3,022.58
Service Fund:	\$2,051.70

Members on Leave: Don Cain, Ron King, Tom Lemke, Peter Schuh

February Service Hour Statistics: 1,247 hours by 30 members, 47% Participation.

March 2017 Board Meeting Summary

A First Vice-President needs to be appointed to replace Peter Schuh for the remainder of this Kiwanis year.

The Assistant Principal at Gage School has expressed interest in, and has been given information on Terrific Kids. The next school year is the earliest that it could be started. Jack Zierdt will keep in touch.

Our club is currently short \$800 on our \$2,000 pledge to Food for Kids. Donations need to be submitted by March 24.

The Rochester (downtown) Kiwanis Club is struggling to survive due to declining membership. There will be a planning meeting on March 23rd to discuss the next steps.

During Eliminate we reduced Century High School Scholarships from \$1,000 to \$500 each. The board approved a motion to resume granting two \$1,000 Century High School Scholarships in 2017.

The Rochester Kiwanis Clubs decided they would not buy an ad in the Post Bulletin Destination Medical Center Supplement this year.

The board approved a motion to award a \$50 honorarium to each of the four K-Kids faculty advisors (two at Riverside School and two at Harriet Bishop School).

The current president(s) will appoint a committee to name candidates for 2017/2018 President, President Elect, First Vice President, and one Director.

The board discussed doing a special donation to Channel 1, but concluded that Food for Kids is the first priority in our current budget.

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Secy/Treas Report (Continued):

Committee Reports

Community Service- Saturday Noon Meals is scheduled for August 12th.

Early Childhood Development- Rough start at Gage School Reading Oasis, it is working out ok now. Ten readers are needed at Riverside School.

Faith & Spiritual Values- Nine members attended Darlene Brandt's funeral.

Membership- Wayne Harvey will be initiated soon. The committee needs members to provide leads for new member candidates.

Fund Raising- Dave Moehnke will take over sales of KWIK Trip Carwash Cards. The Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser coming up. Jim Decker will head up sales of Rochester Fest Buttons. No garage sale this year, but there will be a Plant Sale Fund Raiser. Fund Raising ideas to pursue: Work events at Mayo Civic Center, deliver flowers.

Program- Programs are scheduled through May

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

Presidents' Corner: (from page 1)

Spring is here so take time to enjoy it and thank you all for what you do to help our community and help make our Day Makers the best club in the world!

Your Co-Presidents,
Bob Nowicki and Jack Zierdt
2016-2017

Texas Roadhouse Fund Raiser:

Funds raised were ~\$48 and was disappointing however, the event reminder was inadvertently left out of the March Newsletter, so if you missed some of the March meetings you may not have heard the event announcements. Sorry, Dave M.

Dick Odell

Kiwanis Defining Statement:

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



SMIF Reading at Riverside Elementary:

Eight DayMakers plus one spouse read to Kindergarten students at Riverside Elementary School on March 30. Fourteen K-Kids assisted with the project with nine of them also reading and five bringing students back and forth to their classrooms.



Assistance from the K-Kids was organized by their advisor, Jody Peterson. Approximately 80 students were read to and given a book from the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF). This was the 7th school reading this school year.

We still have a few more to go to finish up with the 610 books we have been given. Thanks so much to all those who have helped.

Dick and Ruth Vrieze

Kiwanis Magazine: April/May Issue

Check out the “Wheel of Fortune” article on how Kiwanians sponsored a special event for Junior High School students to get a “reality check” in the game of life. See pages 22-27.

<http://www.kiwanis.org/docs/default-source/kiwanis-magazine/archive-issues/ki-0417.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

This was a very well received event that caused students to carefully consider their many “life choices” ahead of them as they study and make decisions as life sometimes throws people a “curve ball” in their plans, etc.

The community, school and the Manpower Employment Company all supported the Kiwanis event.

Maybe Kiwanis Day Makers should consider this.

Dick Odell

K-Kids at Riverside Elementary:

The past month has been a BUSY one for the Riverside K-Kids! At the February 27 meeting, the group was actively involved in making night lights and pillows for kids at the women’s shelter.

On March 6 the K-Kids joined Mayo Key Club at Ronald McDonald House to help make and serve pancakes, sausage and eggs. Monday, March 20 was the scheduled event of Bingo with the residents at Golden Living. After the Bingo, they returned to Riverside School to help clean lockers and the playground area of trash.



On Thursday March 30, K-Kids, together with about ten Day Makers, became involved in the SWIF program, reading to the kindergarten classes in the lunchroom at Riverside.

Altogether, the activities did much to help teach and experience leadership skills. Thanks to all Day Makers who were involved!

Curt Pearson

2016 Hockey Festival News:

The Hockey Festival Committee met on Tuesday, March 14 and is happy to announce that the 2016 Hockey Festival proceeds will be distributed on Monday, April 24 at 5:00 PM at the Cambria Showroom Gallery, 400 South Broadway. Everyone is invited.

This year the festival experienced increased involvement from the clubs throughout the year and this resulted in a more profitable event. We are proud to announce that the funds available for distribution to the clubs from the 2016 festival are over \$16000. This is an increase of over \$10000 from the previous year and represents the most profitable festival since 2007. This success can be directly correlated to the increased level of participation by members of the 3 Rochester clubs so thank you Day Makers for your contribution to this event.

The **\$16000** will be distributed as follows:

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| • Each of 3 participating clubs (3 x \$3000) | \$9000 |
| • Food for Kidz | \$2000 |
| • Camp Cambria Juvenile Arthritis Fund | \$1000 |
| • Kiwanis Golden K | \$500 |
| • Hockey Festival Reserve Fund | \$3667 |

Bob Nowicki

Welcome New Member – Wayne Harvey

The Rochester Day Makers are pleased to announce and welcome Wayne Harvey who joined us on March 14.

Wayne was born and raised in Hammond, Indiana attended high school and 1 year electronic technical school. He spent 5 years as a firefighter in Hammond and then 36.5 years with IBM from where he retired last May.

He is single and has one married daughter who resides in Colorado.

Wayne has been a very active volunteer with RochesterFest for many years and not only is on the RochesterFest Board but is the 2017 RochesterFest Event Chair who selected the theme, 35 Years of Summer Fun, for this year's Fest Button. He is also a very dedicated volunteer for Habitat for Humanity's ReStore.

He enjoys golf and home improvement projects. "I've known Wayne for several years and am very glad that his retirement gives him time to share with us and our Rochester community," says his sponsor, Bob Nowicki.



Again, welcome to Wayne Harvey

Bob Nowicki, Co-President
Dick Odell, Im Past Lt Gov Div 7

Eliminate Maternal / Neo-Natal Tetanus: Day Makers Achieve Model Club Pledge

Congratulations to all Day Makers Club members on achieving our 5-year Model Club Pledge of \$70,000 to save 39,000 women and their children from Maternal / Neo-Natal Tetanus. All of our club members participated in fund raising projects for our Eliminate campaign. Additionally, over 45 Walter Zeller and Hixson Fellowships for the Eliminate campaign were funded directly by our club members. See the Dec 2016 newsletter for those names.



The highlights of our meeting included comments from Bob Nowicki, Jack Zierdt and Dick Odell. Special recognition of Herb Erickson was offered for driving this important campaign all 5 years.

There was delicious cake and coffee to go with our special Model Club Kiwanis pins for all Day Makers. Thank you ladies.



Congratulations to the Kiwanis Day Makers Club of Rochester, MN for achieving their Model Club pledge.
Richard Odell, Im. Past Lt Governor, Division 7 of MN-Dakotas District

PS: If you are interested in a copy of the group photograph see Dick Odell. See Jack Zierdt if you did not receive your pin.