



# 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 May 2007

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

April Showers Bring



May Flowers!

### OFFICERS

President	Richard Hall
Imm. Past Pres.	Al Strom
Pres. Elect	Phyllis Jacobs
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Marie Alexander
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	LeRoy Larson
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

### DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Tom Lemke	2007
Frank Nichols	2008
Jim Morton	2009
Ken Reding	2009
Al Southwick	2007

### CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Marie Alexander	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 9am
Program	Phyllis Jacobs	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Youth Services	Jerry Steinke	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Community Services	LeRoy Larson	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Human & Spiritual Values	Bill Dunnett	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
Young Children Priority One	Larry Scilley	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Operations	Al Strom	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Public Relations	Herb Erickson	

Historian: Bruce Keller	Pres. Advisor: Ella VanLaningham
Interclub: Herb Erickson	Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Looft	Regional Rep: Zanti Squillace

### Program Schedule

**May 1 TBD**  
**May 8 Distinguished Club Award to Day Makers,**  
Stewart Ross  
**May 15 Training firefighters ,** Tim Bangert  
**May 22 Portable Defibrillators for Schools,** Steve Johnston  
**May 29 Canines in Police Work,** Brian Howard and Mike Drees

### Kiwanis Day Makers Web Site:

From the web:

- A man's home is his castle. In a manor of speaking.
- A pessimist's blood type is always b-negative.
- My wife really likes to make pottery, but to me it's just kiln time.
- Dijon vu. The same mustard as before.
- I used to work in a blanket factory, but it folded.
- If electricity comes from electrons. Does morality comes from morons?
- Sea captains don't like crew cuts.
- Does the name Pavlov ring a bell?
- A successful diet is the triumph of mind over platter.
- A gossip is someone with a great sense of rumour.

Dick Odell

### Presidents' Corner:

Our Lieutenant Governor, Paul Michels, held his quarterly Regional meeting this past month at the Senior Center. The main topic of discussion was membership, specifically the gradually decreasing membership in the region.

Our club has done better than most in the membership area; we have grown every year since our inception. However, at mid-Kiwanis year we need to get two more members for the club if we are to retained our distinguished club status, a status that we have had since year one.

I would ask each of you to look around for people you know, or even those you do not know, and see if they would benefit from becoming a member of our Kiwanis club. Invite them to a meeting, preferably one where the program may be of great interest to them, and recruit them for our group.

Another item of continuing interest is the possibility of moving our meetings out to the old Bingo parlor which the Senior Center now controls. A few of us went out to look at the facility a couple of weeks ago. There would be some definite advantages to locating there. Parking is a problem at the current site and there is parking for over 200 at the Bingo location. We could again have some on site storage space.

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### May Birthdays

4	Richard Odell	24	Ken Plummer
5	George Heyne	27	Don Birka
8	Merlyn Jeché	27	Gene Kivi
13	Bill Schneider	28	Jerry Steinke
16	Roger Field		

### May Anniversaries

7	Merle & Jean Dunn
26	Hollis & Pat Feeser
28	Don & Sally Wendt
31	Richard & Doreen Severson

## Secretary/Treasurers Report - April'07

<b>Bank Balance 3/31/07:</b>	\$ 19,482.65
Administrative Account:	\$ 15,999.06
Service Account:	\$ 1,946.51
Hockey/YCPO:	\$ 1,294.60
Bike Repair:	\$ 242.48

**Day Makers on leave:** Ron King, Sara King, Marlys McCoy

**March Service Hour Statistics:** 1,195 hours by 58 members, 72% Participation.

### April 10th, 2007 Board Meeting Highlights:

President Dick Hall spoke to Sally Gallagher, of the Senior Center, concerning the possibility of moving our meeting site to the Senior Center's Bingo site on North Highway 52. The Senior Center has a parking issue at its downtown site, and is suggesting that our moving would alleviate it somewhat. Also, our storage issue could be resolved. President Dick, and a few others from the board, will make an inspection of the Bingo facility and report back to the full board. If it looks favorable, we would schedule a meeting there so the whole club can take a look.

Sub region meeting will be on April 25<sup>th</sup> this quarter.

Harriet Bishop Playground group has asked us for funding. The board decided not to participate since it was for a specific school. No volunteer support was requested.

Zumbro Public Health has asked for volunteers to drive clients. So far the club has two volunteers.

We have been asked to sell and/or buy tickets to a Special Olympics Fundraiser. The board decided to decline since it is for the state organization rather than the local organization.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Membership-** We still need two additional members by September 30<sup>th</sup>. Jack Zierdt will speak to the club about a Kiwanis International Membership Program.

**Program-** The committee asked if a program on defibrillators to be placed in schools would be appropriate. The board did not have any objections. The County Sheriff has asked if he could do a program on his Training Center project.

The club's annual picnic will be on July 10th at Quarry Hill Park with a nature program. The committee has scheduled the same caterer as last year.

**Operations -** Nominations are needed for second VP. The committee decided to put the proposed Rose Sale Fundraiser on hold for now, the interest survey was not positive. The Wendy's Fundraiser will be on April 26th from 5-8pm, the committee needs ideas for publicity.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** Have invocations scheduled through May. Newsletter articles have been scheduled through July. Cards have been sent to members Anderson and Kliever.

**YCPO-** On April 24th we will help with setup for CCR&R Family Fun Night. Our Parent-Child Fair is scheduled for June 20th at Rochester Fest.

**Youth Services-** The gift from the Buechler family to the District Education Foundation will be received as two Messer Fellowships, one for Fred and one for Joan. Students are being selected for scholarships. Guidelines for our Adopted Family project are being drafted by Pat Horlocker and Bill Schneider and will be brought to the board for approval.

Richard Lundberg, Secretary/Treasurer

### President's Corner: (continued from page 1)

At some time in the near future we will hold a meeting there to allow the whole club to size up the place before we make any decisions.

Dick Hall

### Human and Spiritual Values:

Lawns are turning green. It's a welcome sight. But, some of us remember the days when many lawns were white with blossoming white clover, bringing a beautiful variety to our neighborhoods. There was a reason for the clover. Grass requires a lot of nitrogen and after a time the grass had used up much the nitrogen thus weakening the grass. It was time for the clover to take over and the lawn was covered with the tiny three and four leaved plants with the white blossoms. But, they were the cause of their own extinction. Clover is a legume, fixing nitrogen from the air into the soil; and it wasn't many years until the grass would take over and thrive in the newly enriched earth, crowding out its benefactor. Humanity had to interfere. We wanted even, deep green lawns and so we spread on artificial chemicals to the point that our lawns now look pretty much the same. Are we better off? Maybe. At least we don't have to dig up as many of those pretty dandelions.