



# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Elks Club Building,  
Hwy 52 N., Hillcrest Shopping Center

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 2014

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### SPRING FLOWERS



ARRIVE AT LAST!

#### OFFICERS

President	Jim Cook
Imm. Past Pres.	Mike Siverling
Pres. Elect	Judy Zierdt
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Nick Lauer
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	Open
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

#### DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Larry Scilley	2014
Rick Johnson	2015
Helen Kolb	2015
Joan Olson	2016
Curt Pearson	2016

#### CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Nick Lauer	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am
Program	Judy Zierdt	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10:15am
Youth Services	Jerry Steinke	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Community Services	Diane Johnson	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 8:35 am
Human & Spiritual Values	Ruth Vrieze	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 10am
Early Childhood Development	Larry Scilley	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Operations	Mike Siverling	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Board Meeting	Jim Cook	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am
Eliminate Project	Jack Zierdt	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10am

Historian: Bruce Keller	Pres. Advisor: Jack Zierdt
Interclub: Roger Olson	Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker	

#### Program Schedule:

- May 06 Current City Topics**, Randy Staver, Bob Nowicki
- May 13 Rochesterfest**, Kathy Davis & Bob Nowicki
- May 20 Human Trafficking**, Sister Anne Walch, Bev Livesay
- May 27 Indonesia to Egypt**, Sara King, Judy Zierdt

#### Dates to Remember:

- May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Pancakes, Senior Center, Kiwanis Roch
- May 15<sup>th</sup>** - Perkins South Kiwanis Coupon Day  
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>
- May 16 –18<sup>th</sup>** - Key Leader Event, Cancelled
- June 9<sup>th</sup>** – Bakers Square North, 5 – 8pm
- July 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Club Birthday Party
- Aug 8-10<sup>th</sup>** – District Convention, Minneapolis

#### New Eliminate Coordinators:

- Jack Zierdt will be Day Maker Coordinator
- Denis Cornell will be Region 7 Coordinator

<http://sites.kiwanis.org/Kiwanis/en/theELIMINATEproject/home.aspx>

#### May Birthdays:

4	Dick Odell	13	Bill Schneider
5	George Heyne	22	Gene Mullenbach
7	Marie Bellabe	24	Ken Plummer
8	Merlyn Jeche	28	Jerry Steinke

#### President's Corner:

Thanks to all who aided in the move to Elks Building and those already getting us set up for each meeting. Roger Olson, in particular, is making the sound system work – controlled by the bingo calling area's sound equipment. Mike Siverling and Bob Nowicki have taken on the responsibility to update our set up and take down instructions, especially so folks know where things are stored and placed for meetings – so we can get more members share the setup and take down chores.

The almost final Food for Kidz statistics include approximately 426 volunteers, including Kiwanis youth and young people clubs (Lake City Aktion Club and Key Club, Stewartville Builders Club and Key Club, Kingsland Key Club, Winona State Circle K, John Marshal Key Club, and UMR Circle K). Additionally about 60 Rochester Kiwanians participated, 25 of whom were Day Makers.

Eleven pallets full of packages were filled (approximately \$19.6K) and cash donations of approximately \$19.1K were collected. There were other related services performed including the trucking to deliver the package contents, the costs of which were donated by the affected volunteers. Truly a great Kiwanis One Day sponsored event. Thanks to all Day Makers who have participated in our standard monthly service projects and April "special service events," such as the recent "Rochester clean up" and the Stewartville Kiwanis club-hosted April 5<sup>th</sup> Food for Kidz" food packaging day. Continued p 2→

#### May Anniversaries:

2	Jim & Becky Cook	31	Dick & Doreen Severson
12	Herb & Jerine Erickson		
26	Hollis & Pat Feeser		
28	Don & Sally Wendt		

**Secretary/Treasurer's Report – April 2014**

<b>Bank Balance 3/31/2014:</b>	\$ 8,731.21
Administrative Account:	\$ 3,510.99
Service Account:	\$ 4,335.67
Bike Repair:	\$ 163.51
K-Family Funds	\$ 427.90
Chili Feed Account	\$ 293.14

**Day Makers on leave:** Don Cain, Ron King, Sara King

**March Service Hour Statistics:** 559 hours by 37 members, 44% Participation.

**April 15, 2014 Board Meeting Summary:**

Dick Odell is continuing to follow up on Downtown Kiwanis Club's Web Site sharing ideas proposed by Al Lun of the Downtown Club.

No progress has been made on recruiting a member to fill Diane Johnson's officer and committee chair positions. It was decided to leave the position open until October 1 when a newly elected member will take the office.

Kiwanis International is requiring that all Kiwanis volunteers who work with children have documented background checks. There are specific requirements that have been defined by KI, and may be stricter than those required by the school district. Our club members are working with children in the public schools, and at the Boys and Girls Club. Jack Zierdt will look in to the requirements and determine what is required to satisfy them. There is a PowerPoint on this. Jack will find out from Kiwanis International what the deadline is. This will be worked on until we have the requirement satisfied.

President Jim Cook has appointed a nominating Committee to find members to fill the positions whose terms expire on September 30<sup>th</sup>. The committee is Jim Cook, Rick Johnson, Dick Odell, and Jerry Steinke.

New projects are being investigated: The Veterans Museum, and Oxbow Park. Each project will need a leader and at least two members involved by providing service to projects.

Dick Odell is attending District Lt. Governor training on April 26, 27 & 28th. Next Column →

**Kiwanis Mission Statement:**

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

**Sec/Treasurer's Report:** continued

He is looking for questions to bring up that anyone in the club has.

The Program Committee has selected dates for summer events: Club Birthday Party: July 22, Club Picnic: August 19<sup>th</sup> at Quarry Hill Park, and Annual Banquet Meeting: September 30 at Willow Creek Golf. The board accepted these dates.

Judy Zierdt will try to schedule the next Bakers Square North fundraiser for Monday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 5- 8pm.

The board discussed the annual book collection that our club has been doing with the Sunrisers. There won't be funds available from the Hockey Tournament this year for advertising. The Century Key Club is collecting books. Jack Zierdt is working on the First District book initiative (Tim Penney and Stewart Ross).

The board was informed that the Rochester Rotary Clubs are doing an event at Rochester Fest. The board discussed whether Kiwanis should have an event to attract new members to our clubs.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Program-** Programs are scheduled through May.

**Public Relations-** The committee is looking into the Lions Club PSA's that were broadcast on TV stations, and what would it take for Kiwanis to do a similar promotion.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** The board was updated on phone calls to absent members, driving members to meetings, and Invocations scheduled.

**Youth Services-** Sixteen Century Key Club members will attend the District Convention. The committee would like our members to be involved in driving and participating.

**Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer**

**President's Corner:** Continued from page 1

May will be a month of new opportunities, such as patrolling Bear Creek and Quarry Hill Park paths (without snow boots, I hope) and the nomination of members for one Board position, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President. Please consider serving in these positions if you are asked during early May to assume one of these roles. You can always talk to me about volunteering without being asked! Day Makers needs you!

**Jim Cook, 2013-2014 President**

**Walter Zeller Fellowship: Jim Cook**

Congratulations to Jim for leading-by-example in helping the club with our Model Club objective by participating in the Walter Zeller Fellowship program to support our Eliminate Maternal / Neonatal Tetanus project.

Jim continues to “make his mark” with his Zeller Award and by being our 2013-2014 Club President.

He knows what a wonderful creative way to honor others while saving 690 mothers and their babies by funding a Zeller Fellowship thereby helping to eliminate Maternal /Neonatal Tetanus in the world.

Jim has found his personal answer to a very important question, “What More Can I Do?”



With the help of fellow club members, Jim has honored himself and our club by saving the lives of another 690 mothers and their future babies.

The Day Makers say, “Thank you, Jim.”  
**Dick Odell**

**K-Kids at Riverside Elementary:**

K-Kids have been busy helping the community by making winter decorations for the nursing home. We also learned about Alzheimer’s Disease. We then went to the nursing home and played bingo with the residents. We have also made dog toys for Paws & Claws and made bird feeders to help the birds live through the cold winter. Tongue depressor bird feeders.....fun.



To honor our school cooks, we decorated an apron for each cook. We also decorated a hat for Mr Lundak our vice principal and we made a bag for Mrs. Peterson our principal.

We greatly appreciate all of the Kiwanians that come to our meetings and help out with our projects.

Other events include preparing the gardens for Spring, picking up trash around the school and end of the year celebrations on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Riverside 2013-2014 K-Kids officers are: Jaida Crowson-Secretary, Ella Kruse-Historian, Shelby Leitz-President, Will Repede-Treasurer, Mushtaaq Farrah-Vice President, Mrs. Neher-Leader.

**Ella Kruse and Curt Pearson**

**Do you know? K-KIDS PLEDGE**

As a K-Kid, ...

I promise to serve my neighborhood and my school;  
I will show respect toward my environment;  
and I will try to make the world a better place in which to live.



**Richard Johnson**

**Mother’s Day:**

**May 11<sup>th</sup>**



**Mother’s Day – Zeller Fellowship**

**May**



### **Punography:**

I tried to catch some fog. But I mist.

When chemists die, they barium.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.

I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop any time.

How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.

I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.

They told me I had type A blood, but it was a type-O.

This dyslexic man walks into a bra.

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

A cross-eyed teacher lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils.

When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.

What does a clock do when it's hungry? It goes back four seconds.

I wondered why the cricket ball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!

Broken pencils are pointless.

What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

I took the job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

Velcro - what a rip off!

Cartoonist found dead in home. Details are sketchy.

For more Punology....see **Jerry Steinke**

### **KI Convention Theme: What More Can I Do?**

April turned out to be another exciting month for the Day Makers Club as another member has answered the question, "What more can I do?" With his financial commitment and our other club members help, another 690 mothers and their babies will have a better chance at life in a very harsh environment by avoiding the devastating Maternal / Neonatal Tetanus disease.

Let us remember the number of lives we intend to save with our Model Club Pledge, i.e. save 39,000 mothers and babies with our club MNT Eliminate project. As we enter our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of our 5 year pledge we need to stay focused on the remaining 22,000 babies and their mothers, who are still counting on our commitment.

Creative fund raising projects are still needed. So I do hope each major committee chairperson is discussing at least 2 fund raising projects for the summer months. Remember outdoor activities seem to bring out the generous spirit in our community.

So please answer for yourself, "What More Can I Do?"

**Dick Odell**

PS: Button sales were brisk last summer, Memorial Day, RochesterFest, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Farmers Market, Labor Day, etc. Engage those SLPs....

### **Pinewood Volunteers:**

Picture of our Kiwanis faithful Pinewood volunteers.



Thanks! Pat Mann, Helen Kolb, Ruth Vrieze, Curt Pearson, (back row) Rick Johnson, Dick Vrieze, Jim Cook.

**Dick Vrieze**