



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 May 2015

Minnekotan for this month is available at:

http://kiwanisone.org/public_district/pub_newsletter.aspx?NewsletterID=77

SPRING ARRIVES



AT LONG LAST

OFFICERS

President	Judy Zierdt
Imm. Past Pres.	Jim Cook
Pres. Elect	Nick Lauer
1 st Vice Pres.	Bill Wichmann
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Rick Johnson	2015
Helen Kolb	2015
Joan Olson	2016
Curt Pearson	2016
Bruce Jawer	2017

CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Kathy Davis, Herb Erickson	3 rd Thursday 9am
Program	Nick Lauer	1 st Tuesday, 10:15am
Youth Services	Jerry Steinke	1 st Tuesday
Community Services	Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson	3 rd Tuesday, 8:30 am
Human & Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze, Bob Kandles	3 rd Tuesday, 10am
Early Childhood Dev	Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze	4 th Tuesday
Operations	Jim Cook	1 st Tuesday
Board Meeting	Judy Zierdt	2 nd Tuesday, 10am
Eliminate Project	Jack Zierdt, Herb Erickson	1 st Tuesday, 10am

Historian: Bruce Keller
Interclub: Roger Olson
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker

Pres. Advisor: Dick Odell
Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell

Program Schedule:

- May 5 - Spring**, Harry Buck, Jean Dunn
- May 12 - Mayo Blood Bank**, Kimberly Schmidt, Carolyn Heyne
- May 19 - Water Reclamation Plant Field Trip**, David Lane, Carolyn Heyne
- May 26 - Field Trip to Cascade Meadows**, Stefan Theimer, Larry Segar

Dates to Remember:

- May 21st - Perkins South Kiwanis Coupon Day**
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>
 - May 29th- 30th - Day Makers Plant Sale**, K Davis
 - June 24th -Volunteer Table RAV**, YMCA, 10am-2pm
 - June 26th – Rochesterfest Parade Float**, K Davis
- Be generous with your service and \$\$s.**

We Care Month – Zeller Fellowship

May 100 years of Kiwanis



President's Corner:

"What more can you do?" We are reminded of this question a lot at our meetings. As a club, we did very well with many giving of their time at the 12th Annual Food For Kidz in Stewartville on Saturday, April 11th. Many thanks to Bruce Jawer for representing our club as the chairperson again this year. Thank you to all of you that donated to help towards the food costs. Our service projects last month (March) was an indication of another example of "What more can you do?" 63% of our membership was involved. This is a very good percentage. I would like to see at least 50% of our membership be involved in some of the service projects every month.

Our membership is shrinking, little by little. We need to be thinking about the Growth Formula, which is *"Love It, Share It, Live It"* and bring in some new members. Remember, the more members our club has, the more service we can do. We could make every month membership month instead of just the month of April or May! Now is a great opportunity for every one of you to shape the future of this club and the service that we do for this community and the world. If we don't bring in some new members, the Rochester Day Makers club will suffer.

So take something that you love about Kiwanis and share that love with others. And then make it a part of your life because it is Kiwanis.

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May Birthdays:

4	Dick Odell	8	Merlyn Jeché
5	George Heyne	13	Bill Schneider
7	Marie Bellabe	22	Gene Mullenbach
7	Peter Schuh	28	Jerry Steinke

May Anniversaries:

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

Secretary/Treasurer's Report - April 2015

Bank Balance 3/31/2015:	\$8,101.81
Administrative Account:	\$5,435.57
Service Account:	\$ 847.67
Bike Repair:	\$ 146.44
Chili Feed	\$1,672.13

Day Makers on leave: Don Cain, Judy Lien, Pat Mann, Bob Wenner

March Service Hour Statistics: 1,305 hours by 47 members, 63% Participation.

April 2015 Board Meeting Summary

A Rochester Fest Parade float to acknowledge, and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Kiwanis was proposed at our January meeting. All of the Region 7 Clubs have been contacted to see if there is interest, but to date there has still been no responses. The board approved payment of the \$65 registration fee and appointment of a committee to plan and execute our entry in the parade.

Our former meeting site, at the Elks Club will be available again. Jack and Judy Zierdt met with the Elks Club, and they are willing to have us meet there. May 1st would be the earliest date. The Elks Club is proposing a one-year negotiable contract, which would include a weekly donation. The board took no action, but the Zierdt's, and others, will continue negotiations with the Elks Club.

A Nominating committee has been appointed to select members for open 2015/2016 Officer positions. The committee of past presidents is: Jim Cook, Pat Horlocker, Phyllis Jacobs, and Don Wendt. The open positions are First VP, Second VP, and two Directors.

We will be selling Rochester Fest buttons again this year as a fundraiser. This year the selling location will be the city pools.

The board discussed a fund raising idea: The Pizza Ranch in Stewartville has a "Tip Night" where groups come in and clear tables for tips, plus 10% of sales. This opportunity will be looked into as a possibility.

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Kiwanis Mission Statement:

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

Secy/Treasurer's Report: continued

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership – Pam Babb has been removed as a potential new member.

Community Service – The committee is looking at expanding the scope of the Korean War Vets Service Project to include additional veterans groups.

Program- The clubs annual picnic has been scheduled for August 11th at the Squash Blossom Farm.

Operations- The committee is working on improved set up instructions for our weekly meetings.

Youth Services- The Century HS Key Club has their slate of officer's set for the next school year. Their last meeting of the current school year will be on April 27th.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

April/May is Kiwanis Membership Month:

Let's keep our focus on growing our club both in service and in membership. Think how much more we could do in our community and schools if we had just 5 new members in the next two months.

When was the last time you (or I) asked someone to come to one of our meetings or go with you on a service project.

If we don't ask, our friends and acquaintances they may never have a chance to say YES, to service.

If someone asked you, "What is Kiwanis and why are you a member?" Do you have a 1 – 2 minute message ready to share? Click on the link below for membership ideas.

And remember, each new member and their sponsor will receive a custom made bag of chocolate candy with the special "Membership Month" logo on every piece from the Region 7 Lt Governor. (smile)



There are even more tips on membership at:

<http://kiwanis.org/memberevent>

Richard Odell, Lt Governor Region 7

Kiwanis One Day of Sharing Event:

Once again the Stewartville Kiwanis Club took the local club leadership role for pulling all our Sub-Region 7 Kiwanis Clubs together to package 99,500+ meals to be distributed thru the Food for Kidz program. What a great “*Kiwanis One Day*” event. Twenty-eight Day Makers participated this year. This makes 1,245,928 meals have been packed and shipped in 12 years.

Check out the photos and complete description at: <http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/FoodKidz15.htm>



Thank you Bruce Jawer for taking a leadership role in managing our Day Makers team of participants and generous funding of this important event.

Dick Odell

Cutest Future Kiwanian of the Day:



She even has her new member name tag holder and her Grandma is rightfully proud of her ...she always claps when everyone else does... She is really cute and smart too.

Joanne Markee

President's Corner: Continued from page 1

Things that we need to be looking ahead on --- the annual plant sale held again at Kathy Davis's on May 29th and 30th, and our club's involvement with Rochesterfest again which runs June 20 - June 28. We, also, will have the Annual Meeting near the end of May for election of new officers.

Our trivia from the "Timeline of KI's History" for this month has to do with Builders Club. "In 1975, Builders Club becomes an official Kiwanis-sponsored program for young teens."

By the way, the District Convention in August will once again be collecting diapers from all the clubs to donate to a local childrens shelter in Grand Forks, ND. So be looking for discount/coupons to take advantage of lower cost diapers. They have suggested “Size 4 – 5” as those are the size that they are in most need of. So lets’ fill the Lt Governor’s truck again this year.

Judy Zierdt

Day Makers President 2014-2015

Florida Day Maker Quilter:

Here is a picture taken tonight at the Springtime City Kiwanis meeting where I gave 41 quilts to Suncoast Voices For Children. Standing with me are two ladies from the organization that help children in foster care.



Donation from Sara King and friends at Horizon House in Clearwater, FL. These lovely ladies made 40 quilts for our children. Thank you!

Sara King

K-Kids Riverside: (Key Club Supported)

It was the first meeting of the school year. The numbers were down a little but the quality and commitment were not. The enthusiastic group chose good officers and cooperated on learning some parliamentary procedure and the calendar for the entire school year was developed.

Projects for the school year are Toys for Paws and Claws, a Bingo playing visit with nursing home residents, a cookie bake and decorate for school personnel, Valentine cards for nursing home residents and a craft environment project of constructing/priming and painting a bird house for each member's back yard. This bird house project extended itself over several meetings. Everyone had a Hy-Vee paper shopping bag to transport the house parts and assembled house.

The group also had the experience of listening to and seeing pictures of the various song birds of South Eastern MN. It was presented by Joel Dunnette of the Audubon Society. Each K-Kid Club Member finished a bird house and even the Century Key Club had members who joined the group to help prime and paint.



Pictured here is the Rochester Key Club member, Sunny Zheng, with her project completed. Notice the symbol of International Kiwanis on the house and the designation of 100 years of serving the children of the world.



It's been a fun year for everyone involved.

Curt Pearson,
Riverside Elementary
K-Kids Advisor

KTTC Interview with Day Maker:

The on screen KTTC interview with Larry Scilley and our Kiwanis Day Makers reading service project was very well done. Larry even had his Day Maker sweatshirt and Kiwanis pin on. Larry's video has gone viral and national as it is now on the New Jersey Herald website as they picked up the story. Check it out at:

<http://www.njherald.com/story/28743140/2015/04/07/mayor-brede-recognizes-rochester-volunteers-for-positive-impact-on-youth>

Great interview Larry ... he even mentioned SMIF program. National Coverage for Day Makers. Wow.

Dick Odell, Lt Governor Region 7

KTTC Television Humor:

A woman was interviewed at her 80 wedding anniversary and was asked how she and her husband got along so well for 80 years.

She said, "Well, I always believed that he should be allowed to do whatever I wanted."

Bicycle Reconditioning Team:

The Kiwanis Bicycle Reconditioning Team takes a well deserved break from the action....a little coffee and cookies for the team.



Jim Decker, Al Southwick and Bruce Keller are some of the Day Makers. Last year the team donated over 230 bicycles to Christmas Anonymous.

Dick Odell