



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 2016

Minnekotan for this month is available at:

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

DO NOT FORGET



MOTHERS DAY-MAYS

OFFICERS

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

DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Joan Olson	2016
Curt Pearson	2016
Bruce Jawer	2017
Kathy Davis	2018
Shar Hain	2018

CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Peter Schuh	3 rd Thursday 9am
Program	Bill Wichmann	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	3 rd Tuesday, 10am
Early Childhood Dev	Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze	4 th Tuesday
Operations	Judy Zierdt	1 st Tuesday
Board Meeting	Joanne Markee	2 nd Tuesday, 10am
Eliminate Project	Jack Zierdt, Herb Erickson	1 st Tuesday, 10am

Historian: Bruce Keller	Pres. Advisor: Judy Zierdt
Interclub: Roger Olson	Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Zierdt	Imm Past Lt Gov Div 7: Dick Odell

Program Schedule:

05/ 03 - Meals, Spiritual Value, Fund Raising, J Zierdt, R. Vrierze, H. Erickson

05/10 - Camp Victory, Steve Dawson, Bill Wichmann

05/17 - Mayo Buildings - Behind the Names, Paul Koeller, Bill Wichmann

05/24 - Grow Older or Grow Younger - You Choose, Fred Woolman, Bob Nowicki

05/31 - Cambria USA, Jessica Markley, Bill Wichmann

Dates to Remember:

May 15th – Online Registration ends for KI Convention in Toronto, June 23-26, 2016 meeting
<http://www.kiwanis.org/convention/2016/register>

May 19th – Membership Committee, Perkins South
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>

Aug 5-7th – MN-Dak District Convention, Fergus Falls, MN <http://mndak.portalbuzz.com/Page/1010>

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<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/51-0155637>

May Birthdays:

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

President’s Corner:

Note from Joanne...

May is upon us ... flowers blooming, grass growing and hopefully the snow is done! We have a lot of plans for this month and the coming summer, but first I'd like to reflect on the past few months. I neglected to mention the second quarter “Awesome Day Makers” - they were:

- Larry Scilley – Certificate of Awesomeness for leading us in song
- Bob Mayhew – Certificate of Awesomeness for his amazing 'hugs'
- Jim Schwinghammer – Certificate of Awesomeness for his willingness to volunteered

We had a great turnout for the Food for Kidz event in Stewartville – thanks to all who donated time and talent to this event.

Our Operations Committee is working on locating a new meeting site and we are hoping to have something firm very soon. Thank you all for your patience as we search for a spot that will fit all of our needs.

Our Nominating Committee has presented it's slate of officers and they are:

- President: Bob Nowicki and Jack Zierdt (co-presidents)
- VP – Membership Chair - Shar Hain

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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 – 04/12/16:

Bank Balance – 3/31/2016: \$9,044.68
Administrative Account: \$5,116.30
Service Account: \$3,697.08
Bike Repair: \$ 212.13

Charitable Account Bank Balance 3/31/2016: \$19.17

Day Makers on leave: Dave Arlander, Marie Bellabe, Don Cain, Ron King, Sara King, Dennis Lee, Karen Lee, Mike Siverling, Dave Truxal

March Service Hour Statistics: 1,233 hours by 37 members, 51% Participation.

April 2016 Board Meeting Summary

The Membership Committee has requested that the web address for the club's photo gallery of members be added to our roster. A link to the member photos will be placed on the roster.

Meeting Site Search Committee update: Looking at Hadley Valley Golf Course, Peace Church, and the new Senior Center (125 Live). The process is ongoing.

Food For Kids update: Our club provided \$2,220, which exceeded the goal. The number of meals packed met the goal.

A Golf Drop Raffle Fund Raiser, for Eliminate, is scheduled on June 25, during Rochester Fest. Raffle Tickets will be sold by members for \$5 each starting soon, and during Rochester Fest.

President Joanne will appoint a nominating committee to recruit members for the two Director terms, which are expiring, and a Vice President. The board was informed that Bill Wichmann will not be moving up to President, so the nominating committee will also need nominee(s) to fill that position.

The board approved a motion that since the budgeted finds to support the Circle K Club will not be used this year, to use these funds, up to \$250, to support the Century Key Club Spring Retreat.

Grants applications to Kiwanis International Foundation and Think Bank are being written to fund the Reading Oasis at Gage School.

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Secy Report: (Continued)

The board approved a motion to fund our clubs annual gift to the Kiwanis International Foundation at \$5 per member.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership- The committee is using webinars to get new ideas on how to recruit new members.

Community Service- The committee will meet next week. Our club will volunteer for the Saturday Noon Meals on April 30.

Program- Programs are filled though the third week of May.

Public Relations- Looking to KTTC and other local media to publicize the Golf Drop Fund Raiser.

Early Childhood Development- Another Book Collection is coming up. Elementary Books are needed. The Public Library and Salvation Army now provide most of the books.

Youth Services- The Century Key Club is having their retreat on April 16th. The scholarship material has been distributed.

Human & Spiritual Values- We are continuing to send cards to members not able to attend meetings. There will be an education moment at the May meeting.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

Did You Know ?? : Mother's Day

Mother's Day is a celebration honoring the mother of the family, as well as motherhood, maternal bonds, and the influence of mothers in society.

1. **Initial proclamation:** 1870 (Julia Howe wrote the first Mother's Day proclamation asking women everywhere to join for world peace)
2. **Founders:** [Julia Ward Howe](#) | [Ann Jarvis](#) | [Anna Jarvis](#)
3. **Earliest beginnings:** 1868 (Ann Jarvis created a committee to establish 'Mother's Friendship Day')
4. **Became nationally recognized:** 1914 (proclamation signed by Woodrow Wilson)
5. **Founding country:** United States
6. **First celebrated:** 1908 (Anna held a memorial for her mother Ann)

So now you know ... just don't forget May 8th.

Dick Odell

PS: MN Inland Fishing Opener – May 14th

Kiwanis One Day of Service – Food for Kidz:

The Food for Kidz service project is hosted by the Kiwanis Stewartville club and all clubs in the subdivision 7 group are asked to participate with their donations (~\$2000 per club) and their service hours. See the complete article and photos of this year's fantastic event on the Day Makers web site at:

<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/FoodKidz16.htm>

Over 110,000 meal packages were prepared for distribution and over one millions meals have been packaged in the last 12 years. Thank you Day Makers for your donations and service support.

This is huge undertaking for our club each year and as we evaluate we will be looking at how the clubs in the area can become even more involved to take some of the load off our club. With only 17 in our membership and an average age over 60 we need to seriously figure this out if we are able to continue hosting.

Again, thank you ... and our Stewartville club looks forward to working with your club as we continue this important service project.

Mary Brouillard
Kiwanis Stewartville Club

Day Makers Special Program: “The Olsons”

Ken and Jessica are with Wycliffe Bible translators. The goal of Wycliffe is to translate the Bible into all the languages in the world. Ken and Jessica have both worked as translators in Africa. Great mission and great entertainment.

Peter is 6 years old, Anya is 8 years old. Mom and Dad are otherwise known as Jessica and Ken Olson.



The family spent the last 4 years in France. They are presently on Home assignment. Joan and I do not know where there next assignment will be.

Joan and Roger Olson

Riverside K-Kids 2015-2016:

With the guidance and organization of two Riverside teachers: Jody Peterson and Cassandra Bartholomew, the year began with officer election and cleaning of the butterfly garden outside Riverside Elementary. Other activities during the year serving the neighborhood and school included:

- making dog chew toys for the animal shelter,
- selling pretzels at Books and Bingo night,
- making cookies for nursing home residents,
- cleaning I-pods at school,
- sharing bingo at Golden Living Nursing Home and making valentines for the residents,
- making pillows for the Women's shelter,
- and making paper flowers for the Ronald McDonald House.

On May 2, we have our last meeting when we celebrate by decorating T-shirts and having pizza and a beverage.



I want to thank the Day Makers Kiwanis Club for their support. It's been a fun year!

Curt Pearson

Kiwanis Mission Statement:

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



SMIF/KIWANIS Book Project Report:

I wanted to let everyone know the project was a big success again this year. The Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF) provides books to be given to preschool and kindergarten children to develop their reading skills, a critical element in the education process. SMIF partners with select KIWANIS clubs to do the distribution.

Last fall, Day Makers received 510 books to distribute, and 15 of us under the planning, coordination, and leadership of Dick and Ruth Vrieze read books to students and gave each of them a book to take home. The following is the report submitted to Robyn Udenberg, District 7 Lt. Governor, for her consolidation and report back to SMIF:

We received 510 books and have read and distributed them as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Books</u>
<u>9/16</u>	Migrant Workers Pre-school at The Place	18	15
<u>10/07</u>	Pinewood Pre-school	15	15
<u>10/14</u>	Hawthorne Early Childhood Education	17	17
<u>11/2</u>	Headstart at The Place	262	262
11/??	Headstart at Harriet Bishop	64	64
<u>11/16</u>	Aldrich Memorial Nursery School	20	21
<u>11/17</u>	Aldrich Memorial Nursery School	20	20
<u>11/20</u>	Aldrich Memorial Nursery School	20	21
<u>12/2</u>	Early Childhood Education at Northrop	16	16
<u>12/15</u>	Precious is the Child Nursery School at Ascension Lutheran	12	12
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		464	463
	Books given to Riverside, Elton Hills, and Franklin Elementary Schools (Higher grade Reading level)		22
	Remaining books to be distributed		25 (11 Spanish)
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			510

We plan to add the remaining books (25) to our collection of used books from libraries and other donors, and distribute them to Rochester schools.

The teachers and students seemed thrilled with the program, and our club members truly enjoyed reading and interacting with the children. It was a very rewarding and successful program again this year.

Suggestions for next year: if the books need to go to preschoolers, have them well-illustrated and preschool appropriate. A few books were not.

Many thanks to SMIF,
Dick Vrieze and Larry Scilley
(Co-chairs of ECD)

Key Club Leadership Retreat:

Century Key Club held it's first ever Leadership Retreat for its members on April 16 at Century High School.

They invited the Day Makers to take part in this event. The officers of the Key Club set out the agenda to highlight what it means to be a leader and gave different ideas and helpful hints to the attendees. There were approximately 45 Key Clubbers there and 7 Day Makers. The Leadership handled the entire event, planning and execution. At one point we broke out into four focus groups to discuss leadership and what it takes to be a leader, as well as how to get the entire Club involved and engaged in activities. At the end of the Retreat they did a service project of filling 'treat bags' to be given out to people at Hope Lodge.

Here is Herb asking them to make him some Eliminate posters



'Getting to know you game' we played at the beginning



These Key Club'ers are very talented and enthusiastic young people.

Joanne

President's Corner: (Continued from page 1)

- 2 year term Director: Gene Mullenbach (to fill Shar Hain's Director term)
- 3 year term Directors: Jim Schwinghammer and George Heyne

We will be announcing next week and then announcing and voting on this slate of officers at the May 10th meeting.

Our Day Makers Kiwanis major fund raising event for this summer is now being planned. We are going to be holding a "Golf Ball Drop" during Rochesterfest. It will be on June 25 at 4:00 pm on the west fields by the Rochesterfest grounds. We will need all of our Day Makers to take part in this event by selling the raffle tickets (purchasing a ball); working the table the week of Rochesterfest from 11:00 am-2:00 and 4:00 - 9:00 pm. The day of the Drop we will need workers all day to man the table as well as help to set up the drop area, and pick up balls when it is over!

Please start thinking about this...sign up sheets will be going around soon. It is going to be a great event and a really fun one! Please take part with the same "can do" Day Makers spirit that we put into all of our projects. Selling the tickets will be key to great event!

In the words of Dr. Seuss ... "Unless someone like you cars a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

.Joanne

Litter Bit Pickup:

This group from the Day Makers picked up trash along 20th Street SE this morning. We just finished before it started raining!



Thanks to all ... **Dick Vrieze**