



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 May 2017

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

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**KIWANIS
CHILDREN'S FUND**

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:

05/02 The Reading Center, Sarah Carlson-Wallbruth, Ruth Vrieze

05/09 Salvation Army, Anne Bashaw-Meyer, Bruce Jawer

05/16 Rochester Demographics Part 2, Jeff Ellersbusch, Dick Hall

05/23 Rochester Pubic Library Update, Vicki Allen, Bob Nowicki

05/30 Senior LinkAge Line, Chad Wojchik, Eric Skuldt

Dates to Remember:

May 18th – Membership Committee, Perkins South
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>

May 19, 20th – Annual Day Makers Plant Sale, Kathy Davis house

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

Kiwanis One Day Sharing: Food for Kidz (April 1st)

A complete write-up with photos of the Kiwanis Food for Kidz event and the packaging of 142,776 meals is posted at the following website link:

<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/FoodKidz17.htm>

Dick Odell

May Birthdays:

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

Presidents' Corner:

As the school year is winding down, we need to take time to say "Thank You" to all of the school personnel and all of our members that have worked with the students this year. As you go into the schools during this month of May, please be sure to say Thanks to all of the school personnel that you come in contact with for allowing us, the Day Makers Kiwanis Club, to be a part of helping with the student's education this year.

As your co-presidents, we would like to take this opportunity to give a special shout out to all of you Day Makers for taking time to be a special part in the life of the young people in our community for volunteering in our schools. Without you, we would not be able to sponsor and work with students in the schools in reading; the K-kids programs; the Key Club; the Terrific Kids; the Popcorn Parties; the Mad Scientist and whatever other areas of the schools we have been asked to help in.

The month of May is membership month in Kiwanis. Please consider inviting a neighbor, friend or spouse to be a visitor to one or more of our club meetings during this month as a way to expose them to our club and share our story with them. We may just gain a new member or more if we share our club meeting time, or even a service project, with some new individuals.

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

May Anniversaries:

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

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – 04/11/2017

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, Judy Lien, Tom Lemke, Peter Schuh

March Service Hour Statistics: 813 hours by 38 members, 63% Participation.

April 2017 Board Meeting Summary

A First Vice-President needs to be appointed to replace Peter Schuh for the remainder of this Kiwanis year. Bob Nowicki and Jack Zierdt are working on filling this position.

The current president(s) have been seeking candidates for 2017/2018 Officer positions. Progress to date: President-Shar Hain; President Elect-Jim Schwinghammer; Director- Larry Segar; Director- Jim Decker; First VP- still looking.

The board approved Habitat for Humanity as an active Service Project, two members are currently participating.

The board directed the treasurer to deposit a \$500 gift from the Darlene Brandt family into our charitable account, to be used for youth reading projects, the reading oasis project, or scholarships.

The board approved giving \$50 honorariums to Co-Advisors for Riverside Elementary K-Kids Jody Peterson and Cassandra Bartholomew, and to Co-Advisors for Harriet Bishop Elementary K-Kids Edie Schulze and Tracy McGuire.

There was a question raised on whether there is a need for elementary school math tutoring.

Committee Reports

Community Service- The committee will meet next week. It was brought up that our members need a better understanding, and awareness of our clubs service projects. Habitat for Humanity will be added to our list of service projects.

Early Childhood Development- More book distribution being done currently, and some books will be carried over to the fall. More readers are needed.

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Secy/Treas Report (Continued):

Faith & Spiritual Values- A thank you card was sent to the Darlene Brandt family for their memorial gift. A card was sent to Ron King.

Membership- We have three potential new members.

Fund Raising- The committee is looking at additional fund raising opportunities. The Ball Drop Fundraiser at RochesterFest is ramping up. Plant Sale fundraiser is coming up soon. The opportunity exists for a Wal-Mart grant, but someone needs to write the application.

Strategic Planning- Another I-Plan program in April. Looking at the Club Planning Tool.

Youth Services- Scholarship Applications were due by April 1. Pinewood School reading will keep going through April.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

Olson Great Grandchild: Eliza held by Ella

Eliza Charlotte Friedrich



Born April 15, 2017 (the day before my Birthday) at 4:18 PM, Weight 6 lbs 4 oz.

Mom and Dad (Krista and Steve) are doing well. Grandpa Dennis Olson is very excited about having a second Grand Daughter.

Joan and Roger Olson
(Great Grandma and Great Grandpa)

Kiwanis Defining Statement:

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

 **Kiwanis**
Rochester Day Makers

SMIF/KIWANIS Book Project Report:

We initially received 571 books to be distributed of which 45 were Spanish. We worked with Randy Schmidt to obtain additional books so we had over 600 books to be distributed. We proceeded to read one-on-one with children and gave them the book to take home. The following is a summary report of the reading sessions:

Migrant worker pre-school class at The Place in Rochester

We read to 14 students and left books for 3 students that were absent. This was the main opportunity to distribute Spanish books.

Pinewood Kindergarten classes

We read to 35 students in one session and 26 students in another session, and 1 book was left for an absentee.

Harriet Bishop Headstart

77 students were read to by the Harriet Bishop K-Kids and 3 books were left for students absent. The teachers reported that the K-Kids did a fabulous job of engaging the kids and they thoroughly enjoyed the project

Hawthorne Early Childhood Education

We read and distributed books to 23 students.

Headstart Program at The Place

We held two sessions here and lost exact count of students, but we estimate that we read and distributed 250 books to students there.

Riverside Preschool

We read to another 80 students here.

Northrop Early Childhood

We read to 22 students, and the teachers were so appreciative of us and of the SMIF project.

Aldrich Memorial Nursery School

We covered 3 classrooms reading to 46 children and leaving 6 books with the teachers for absent students.

The net result is we had 20 Kiwanis members or family members and the Harriet Bishop K-Kids reading to 573 children and distributing 586 books. We have 28 books left that we may use as seed for next year.

The readers, the students, and the teachers all enjoyed the project and appreciated the opportunity offered through the SMIF to participate and experience the feeling of fulfillment from this worthwhile and important endeavor.

Richard Vrieze and Larry Scilley

Co-chairs of the Early Childhood Development Committee

Membership Committee:

The Day Makers Kiwanis Club would like to welcome Wayne Harvey and Stephen Panetta. Thank you to Bob Nowicki and Jim Schwinghammer for their great recruits.

Wayne completed orientation and his induction; Stephen is a former member of the West Kiwanis Club and will have his induction in May. Members please take a moment to introduce yourself to Wayne and Stephen and share a fascinating fact about you!

May is Membership Month and we have lots of fun planned for the month, so get out and invite your friends, family, neighbors, mail carrier, pastor etc. Have them come and see what a great club you belong to and what great services we do for our community. You get the idea!

Come join a membership committee meeting at Perkins South the 3rd Thursday of the month at 9am. Don't forget to extract the discount coupon from the link shown on page 1 of this newsletter.

Shar Hain, Membership Chair

Thought for the Month: Plan Ahead....

District Kiwanis Convention: Mark your calendars...the Minnesota-Dakotas District Convention will be held August 11-13, 2017 in Watertown, S.D. All clubs should be represented at this annual convention. More information will be coming soon! Plan a wonderful SD vacation in Black Hills after convention.

Today Club – Blue Level Award:

Congratulations! The Kiwanis Club of Rochester Day Makers has achieved Blue-level Today Club status for the 2015–16 Kiwanis year. That means your club's unrestricted gifts to the Kiwanis Children's Fund reached a per-member giving average of US\$10.

As part of your Today Club benefit, you have earned a [Blue-level digital patch](#) to post on your club's website and social media.



Mark Rabaut, 2015–16 President
Kiwanis Children's Fund

Via email to R Odell

50th Anniversary: George and Carolyn Heyne

George and Carolyn were united in marriage on April 29, 1967, at Christ United Methodist Church in Rochester. They have been blessed with four children: Catherine, Allison (Jon), Deborah (Aaron) and Stephen (Tara), as well as four grandchildren: Olivia, Gage, Aiden and Andrew.

Congratulations and love from your *other* family to you both on your Golden Anniversary!



We especially enjoyed the "Pumpkin Cake" of course.

Dick Odell



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.



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 Model Club Kiwanis pin.

See Kiwanis Minnekotan Newsletter on page 14 for the published article at:

<https://portalbuzzuserfiles.s3.amazonaws.com/ou-87/userfiles/files/minnekotan%20-april%202017.pdf>

Annual Day Makers Plant Sale: Good community fund raiser for youth programs....

It's that time of year to be thinking of plants and what plants you have that you want to contribute to our **Annual Plant Sale on May 19th and 20th**. I'm sure many of you have plants that need to be divided or that you are just tired of and they need a new home. Dig them up and bring them to the sale. The set-up day is Thurs. May 18 beginning at 4:00pm at my house.

Also if you have connections with a green house and can get them to donate or give a discount on flats of plants bring those too.

Over the past few years we have made quite a bit of money to help support our youth programs. Lets keep up the good work and make this the best year ever! Be sure to check the sign-up sheets for when YOU can help.

Kathy Davis