



# 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 Sept 2014

Minnekotan for this month is available at:  
[http://kiwanisone.org/public\\_district/pub\\_newsletter.aspx?NewsletterID=77](http://kiwanisone.org/public_district/pub_newsletter.aspx?NewsletterID=77)

**LAST DAYS OF**



**SUMMER FUN**

### 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		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:

**Sept 2 - Background Checks PowerPoint**, Jack Zierdt

**Sept 9 - Mayo Clinic Proton Beam Program**, Dr. Robert Foote, Larry Segar

**Sept 16 - Afghanistan - "The Years I Was There"**, Dr. Steven Norton, Marv Anderson

**Sept 23 - League of Women Voters/ Candidate Forums**, Jane Callahan, Larry Segar

**Sept 30 - Annual Dinner & Officer Installation**, Willow Creek Golf Club, Jim Cook

### Dates to Remember:

**Sept 18<sup>th</sup>** - Perkins South Kiwanis Coupon Day  
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>

**November** – Region 7 Education Red Wing Meeting

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

### Eliminate Coordinators:

- Jack Zierdt is the Day Maker Coordinator
- Denis Cornell is the Region 7 Coordinator

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

### President's Corner:

August has been a month of Kiwanis experiences that have made me extra proud to be a Day Maker and also re-emphasized to me the need for our club to do a little renewing of itself.

During this month Kathy Davis hosted another successful Garage Sale – special thanks to Kathy and her team. We also enjoyed our annual Day Maker picnic at Quarry Hill Park, which featured, in addition to some good “picnic food,” a nice early history of the Rochester State Hospital and QHP area given to us by QHP’s Pam Meyer. Thanks again to the Program Committee members and Mike Siverling (sound system man) for helping make it a *very* enjoyable evening.

If you were not at our August 26th meeting, in addition to missing a good Ronald McDonald House update, you missed a Day Maker debut of Curt Pearson as an auctioneer for a mini Eliminate campaign fund raiser.

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### September Birthdays:

2	David Alexander
9	Zanti Squillace
27	Marv Anderson
23	Ruth Vrieze
30	Richard Lundberg

### September Anniversaries:

5	Richard & Deedee Odell	20	Frank Nichols & Helen Sanborn
9	Bruce & Margo Jawer	26	Zanti & Ruth Squillace
10	Ken & Rosie Reding	29	Al & Art Southwick
20	David & Renada Moehnke		

## Secretary/Treasurer's Report – August 2014

**Bank Balance 7/31/2014:** \$13,171.01  
Administrative Account: \$ 6,953.93  
Service Account: \$ 6,170.64  
Bike Repair: \$ 46.44

**Day Makers on leave:** Don Cain, John Griffith, Judy Lien, Pat Mann

**July Service Hour Statistics:** 493 hours by 44 members, 54% Participation.

### August 12, 2014 Board Meeting Summary:

Dick Odell, Lyle Solem (Sunrisers), and Bob Nowicki are working with KTTC Television on the script for a TV spot similar to the one the Lions Club is currently running. No change in status since May board meeting.

Kiwanis International is requiring that all Kiwanis volunteers, who work with children, have documented background checks. A PowerPoint will be presented to our club during a September meeting. Bill Schneider has contacted the school district. A list of our club members who are working directly with children will be needed. Training is being investigated.

Oxbow Park will be proposed as a new service project at a future board meeting.

The Membership Committee is continuing to follow-up on a few members that are significantly behind in their dues.

The board reviewed the list of officers, board positions, committee chairs, SLP Representatives, and other positions required for the 2014/2015 Kiwanis year. Most of the positions are now filled.

We no longer have a Day Maker covering the Builders Club SLP at the Boys and Girls Club. The Youth Committee needs to find someone to take this position, or the Builders Club will have to be dropped.

Member Larry Segar proposed that the Day Makers adopt the Rochester Gay/Lesbian Service Organization as new service project that he is currently volunteering with.

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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.**

## Sec/Treasurer's Report: continued

The board discussed this with Larry, and then decided to defer to the next board meeting a decision on whether or not to approve this project. More information about this organization can be obtained on the Internet at glcsmn.org.

Richard Lundberg, Secretary/Treasurer, is requesting budget input for the 2014/2015 Kiwanis year by August 26th. This budget needs approval at the September board meeting.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Membership** – Membership Committee co-chairs have been named for the 2014/2015 Kiwanis year.

**Program-** A program is needed for September 2.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** Deceased members Vern Knappe and Al Strom were remembered at the Memorial Service during the recent MN/Dak District Convention.

**ELIMINATE-** There is one more Zeller award pending. There are matching funds for six more Zellers. There will be a special version of the Zeller coming out for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kiwanis.

**Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer**

### First Grade Joke:

What did the hot dog say when he crossed the finish line?  
- I am the wiener!

### Kiwanis Day Makers Garden: Whose?

So whose Kiwanis Day Makers garden is shown in this photo?? **Hint:** This great flower gardener and his wife were in Minneapolis during the MN-Dak Convention.



Answer is on bottom of page 4.

**Dick Odell**

**MN-Dak Kiwanis Convention: Mnpls, Aug 8-10<sup>th</sup>**

“Wow!” was the key word for this MN-Dak Convention. The keynote speaker, Mark Lindquist was just terrific as he detailed his adoption and early years from an 8 month old Korean orphan to growing up with Scandinavian parents in the small town of Ortonville, MN.

His message was his parents, community and Key Club made all the difference in helping find his life’s work – *Service to Others*.

I only wish every Kiwanian, Key Club’er and Circle K member could hear him and embrace his enthusiasm of service to others and how it changed his live forever. He is perceptive far beyond his years.

The second time “Wow!” occurred was when the director of the Minneapolis Children’s Crisis Center, walked into our conference room and said, “Wow! We are going to have to get a trailer . . .for all those.” She was genuinely impressed with the generosity of our fellow Kiwanians. Our best estimate is we were able to give almost 20,000 diapers. Here is what the wall of diapers looked like.



**Dick Odell**

**Annual Dinner and Induction of Officers:**

Be sure and mark your calendars for the Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Day Makers Annual Meeting at Willow Creek Golf Club.

This meeting is so much fun as our new officers are inducted into their 2014 offices and committees. We will also be conducting a silent auction for the benefit of our Eliminate M/NT project. So look around the house and think about what you can bring to the auction . . . besides your check book. There are always many exciting surprises so dress up and bring the spouse for a night of fun. Don’t forget to dig out your Hixson or Zeller ribbons or your “continuous participation pin.”

**Judy Zierdt and Dick Odell**

**Kiwanis Day Makers In The News:**

Our July 26<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party (20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) triggered an Aug 13<sup>th</sup> Rochester Post-Bulletin article. “Kiwanis club counts the hours” was worth the wait. It highlighted our club’s history of service as well as some service activities and “products” shared by all Rochester Kiwanis clubs, while reminding us of our Eliminate fund raising commitment.

The article featured interviews with several of our members and included 4 nice photos of some of our service projects like playground construction, bike repair, reading to children and hockey festival.

The article is posted to the Post-Bulletin web site at: [http://www.postbulletin.com/life/lifestyles/kiwanis-club-counts-the-hours/article\\_7a20bfd0-d55f-5430-a40a-99733f3e34f6.html](http://www.postbulletin.com/life/lifestyles/kiwanis-club-counts-the-hours/article_7a20bfd0-d55f-5430-a40a-99733f3e34f6.html)

The article ended with a link to our Day Maker web site, so maybe we will get some new member inquires.

**Dick Odell and Jim Cook**

**Did You Notice?**

Just inside the front door we now have an approved “Kiwanis Day Makers Club Meets Here” plaque.



Smile Jack Z. Nice negotiations . . .way to go team.

**Dick Odell**

**We Care Month – Zeller Fellowship**

**September**





### Day Makers Making A Difference:

Once again our Day Makers Club made a difference in the lives of many others. Dick's pickup truck was totally full of diapers when he arrived at the MN-Dak Kiwanis Convention. Many thanks to all the Day Makers who found a way to support this altruistic method of giving to others.



Here is the team of Day Makers who made the trip to the fantastic MN-Dak Kiwanis Convention in Minneapolis. Ask any of us and I am sure you will get a very positive review of how great the convention was and the fellowship we developed with other Kiwanians in our tri-state district. Day Makers in attendance were Dick and Deedee Odell, Joan and Roger Olson, Hollis Feaser, Jack and Judy Zierdt, Jim Cook, (left to right).



The Day Makers Club was pointed out by Governor Julie on our qualifying as Distinguished Club in 2013-2014 and the number of continuous years as a Distinguished Club. Jim Cook accepted the award on behalf of Mike Siverling who was not in attendance.

Congratulations to all Day Makers. Yea!

**Dick Odell**

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Master Day Makers Gardeners are: Pat and Hollis Feaser

### Day Makers Picnic:

Thank you to the Program Committee (and Mike Siverling for audio equip) for another great Day Makers Summer Picnic at Quarry Hill Park.

We enjoyed a very informative speaker (Pam Meyer) with the complete history of Quarry Hill Park.



The treats and dinner were excellent and Al Southwick's flowers were a big hit with the raffle crowd.



Nicely done ladies ... and Al and Art too.

A good time was had by all !

**Dick Odell**

### Third Grade Jokes:

What did one ocean say to the other ocean?  
- Nothing, they just waved.

What lies at the bottom of the ocean and twitches?  
- A nervous wreck.

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

Day Maker members and spouses Jack and Judy Zierdt, Roger and Joan Olson, Dick Odell (Lt Gov Elect) and wife Deedee, Holly Feeser and myself attended the MN-DAK District Convention weekend in Minnetonka. My one word summary is *Wow!* Keynote motivational speaker Mark Lindquist shared his life experiences, especially in being of service to others, with us. He was introduced to a life-long focus of being of service to others by his Ortonville, MN, parents which was then reinforced though his Key Club and Circle K member service opportunities.

Our convention's service action of delivering over 19,000 disposable diapers to the Minneapolis Women's Crisis Center was recognized by a member of the crisis center and should make every MN-DAK Kiwanian very proud of our organization.

A Saturday night highlight was the "talent show" given by talented individual district Kiwanians, K Clubbers, and the brass quintet led by Stewart Ross, MN-DAK Director of Service.

The forums I attended on Membership and How to Use the Kiwanis Web sites for Assistance was very well presented. Over the next few months we should be hearing more from our district and KI with "offerings" to build up our Kiwanis membership including some "district membership coaches" and documents focused on "The Formula – Love it; Share it; Live it."

The district convention's *membership* focus reminded me to challenge myself and all Day Makers to become or stay active in inviting new members, keeping in touch with current members, and being more active in club service opportunities and shouldering club organizational responsibilities. Our club has lost a significant number of members this past 2013-2014 season, so we need to re-commit ourselves to "love it; share it; live it."

And, speaking of "membership," a big thank you to Kathy Davis and Herb Erickson for taking on the responsibility of being our 2014-2015 Membership Committee Co-Chairs.

**Jim Cook**, 2013-1014 Day Makers President

**Ronald McDonald House:**

Sara King introduced granddaughters Elizabeth (14), and Naree (13) King at our Day Makers meeting. The girls spent their summer Thursday afternoons with their grandma Sara King sewing 11 quilts for the Ronald McDonald home.

They came to the Sept 26<sup>th</sup> meeting to give the quilts to the Ronald McDonald speaker (Marit Williams) who said that every child who stays at the house receives a quilt or blanket to help comfort them during their medical stay in Rochester.



Nicely done ladies.....

**Sara King, Dick Odell and Nick Lauer**

**Schools Are Back In Session:**

Do you remember how excited and yet worried about your first day in school each year?



We need to remember to "Drive Carefully" and help the little ones "love to learn".