



# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Senior Center  
Use Senior Center Parking Lot

See Day Makers on the web at: <http://www.kiwanisrochester.org>  
See MN-DAK District Site at: <http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org>

## Newsletter for October 2007

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

### HIXSON AWARD



### SUPPORTS KIDS

#### OFFICERS

President	Richard Hall
Imm. Past Pres.	Al Strom
Pres. Elect	Phyllis Jacobs
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Marie Alexander
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	LeRoy Larson
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

#### DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Tom Lemke	2007
Frank Nichols	2008
Jim Morton	2009
Ken Reding	2009
Al Southwick	2007

#### CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Marie Alexander	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 9am
Program	Phyllis Jacobs	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Youth Services	Jerry Steinke	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Community Services	LeRoy Larson	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Human & Spiritual Values	Bill Dunnett	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
Young Children Priority One	Larry Scilley	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Operations	Al Strom	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Public Relations	Herb Erickson	

Historian: Bruce Keller	Pres. Advisor: Ella VanLaningham
Interclub: Herb Erickson	Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Looft	Regional Rep: Zanti Squillace

#### Presidents' Corner: (Past President)

We have come to the end of another good Day Makers year. It appears that we will make the distinguished club ranks again. I will not claim much credit for this, the credit belongs to the members of our club. The president's job has proved to be quite an easy one, this organization seems to run itself. This is in large part due to the good work of Richard Lundberg and the chairs of our various committees. I wish to thank all of them.

The annual dinner came off in good form, I thank all those who arranged and ran it. I was out of country for a couple of weeks before the event and I was able to walk in and the dinner and program was completely organized. I enjoyed having the dinner downstairs around the circular tables, it provided a warmer and more personable feel for the night. The food also seemed a crack above last years but perhaps I was just in a better mood to eat!

It has been another year of great programs with a good mix of subject matter. The various programs have served to keep our members interested and informed about what is going on in our community and in the world in general. The programs provide another service element, service to ourselves.

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#### Program Schedule :

- Oct 2 Flood Disaster and Recovery**, Lynn Farrell
- Oct 9 The Job of City Forester**, Jacob Ryg
- Oct 16 Flowers - Not Just a Pretty Face**, Joel Dunnette
- Oct 23 Update on UMR**, Al Berning
- Oct 30 K-Kids**, Dawn Fairbrother

#### Playground: Chatfield, MN

Tim had the pleasure of meeting with the Sunrisers (Kiwanis Club) to talk about the Chatfield community Playground that will be built this October 17th to 21st. The format will be entirely the same as the Soldiers Field Playground, with the same architectural firm helping to design and "coach" the community-built project. Those Day Makers wishing to participate should sign up or contact Dick Odell who has details.  
<http://parkpartners.cgreiner.com/>

Tim Peterson  
Co-Chair Soldiers Field Playground  
(507)-254-2026

#### Oct Anniversaries

- 12 Bill & Peg Dunnette
- 19 Jim & Anne Morton
- 24 Paul & Nancy Lamoreux

#### Oct Birthdays

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Carolyn Heyne | 15 Steve Steele    |
| 2 Dallas Glaser | 20 Jean Dunn       |
| 3 Kathy Davis   | 26 Marie Alexander |
| 7 Merle Dunn    | 30 Bruce Keller    |
| 8 Bob Nowicki   | 30 Bob Sande       |
| 11 Dick Vrieze  |                    |

**Secretary/Treasurers Report - Sept'07**

**Bank Balance 8/31/07:** \$ 17,216.92  
Administrative Account: \$ 12,595.35  
Service Account: \$ 4,316.97  
Hockey/YCPO: \$ 224.60  
Bike Repair: \$ 80.00

**Day Makers on leave:** Judy Lien

**August Service Hour Statistics:** 555 hours by 48 members, 58% Participation.

**September 11, 2007 Board Meeting Highlights:**

The board approved a budget for the 2007/2008 Kiwanis year.

The Annual Dinner will be held on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. We will try having the meal downstairs and the social hour and the program upstairs as requested by the Senior Center.

The board discussed starting a K-Kids club at Riverside School. The club would meet on Tuesday, twice a month, after school until 5 pm. The board then approved sponsoring a K-Kids club at Riverside School under the direction of the Youth Services Committee.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership-** Committee will meet on a different day of the week with the new chair person.

**Program-** Committee is working on annual dinner. Programs have been scheduled through October.

**Operations -** Wendy's fundraiser next week. Committee will consider expanding Wendy's fundraiser to every month.

**Interclub-** Larry Krob will assume the interclub chair on October 1, 2007

Richard Lundberg, Treasurer

**Kiwanis George F. Hixson Award:**

The Kiwanis International Foundation Board of Trustees created the [George F. Hixson Fellowship](#) in 1983 to honor the first Kiwanis International President.

Funds received for a Hixson Fellowship will be designated to the Kiwanis International Foundation Endowment, earnings from which provide grants to clubs and districts and also support programs such as Key Leader, Service Leadership Programs, and the Sustainability of Universal Salt Iodization (IDD). If desired, contributors can direct their donations to one of the specific programs, or they can indicate that their donation be placed in the general endowment fund.

<http://kif.kiwanis.org/giving/hixson.asp>

**President's Corner:** continued

We have provided another year of notable service to our community, the hours of service have been exemplary. I was particularly pleased to be able to quote the number of hours of service to the Senior Center when I presented a donation of \$1000 to the center's director, Sally Galligher. The center provides this club a tremendous benefit by hosting us every Tuesday without charging us for the space. And... the coffee is free!

Chuck Jacobson brought an interesting situation to my attention the other night. He noted that International recognizes increase in membership, monies donated but not hours of service provided. Our club on its own, primarily through the work of Margee Jacobson and Carolyn Heyne has done an excellent job of rectifying this situation with the annual Recognition of Service at our annual dinner.

I will leave by noting that we still have a demographic problem. We, as a club, are getting older on the average every year. We must make an effort to bring in some younger members. Perhaps younger retired people, but younger none the less.

Again I want to thank all who have made this club such a going proposition.

Dick Hall

**WHEN INSULTS HAD CLASS:** from web

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire." -- Winston Churchill

"He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary." --William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway)

"He can compress the most words into the smallest idea of any man I know." -- Abraham Lincoln

**Day Maker Annual Dinner: Sept 2007:**



Many service awards were handed out...and Paul installs our new President Phyllis Jacobs.



**Hixson Award Winner Announced:**

**Bill Dunnett Sept 26, 2007**



**Chuck Jacobson presents the Hixson Award to Bill Dunnett on behalf of the Day Makers Club. Congratulation to Bill .....**

## Overall Information On Chatfield's New Playground.

- **How This Project Began:** We formed Park Partners because we saw the need for improved playground equipment in Chatfield's City Park. The existing equipment is deteriorating, many of the remaining pieces and playing surfaces are unsafe and this outdated equipment is not attractive to Chatfield's visitors. As parents and community members, we've united to build a playground that's safe, fun and accessible to children of all abilities.
- **The Design:** We explored parks around our area – Groen Park, Rushford, Stewartville, Rochester, Lanesboro and beyond. We looked at wood structures, plastic, metal and composite– all different sizes, colors and shapes. Our favorite is Soldier's Field Park in Rochester. It fits well in its surroundings and is filled with fun, imaginative and challenging play areas. Best of all, this playground was designed and built by members of the community!
- **A Grassroots, One-of-a-Kind, Community Built Project:** Park Partners chose to work with Leathers and Associates, an award-winning company that's designed playgrounds for over 30 years. They've pioneered the community-built system, allowing us to build a unique playground ourselves – saving nearly two-thirds the cost of traditional playgrounds.
- **Size & Location:** The playground will be approximately 8,500 sq. ft.– 2,000 sq. ft. less than the current playground and roughly in the same location at 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Hwy. 52.
- **Cost:** Estimated at \$120,000. This includes all costs associated with building the playground such as design fees, advertising and printing, fundraising expenses and building materials. It will be built completely with private donations from Chatfield and the surrounding communities. **All donations are tax-deductible.**
- **Appearance:** Our goal is to enhance City Park with this project, so the playground's color will be in earth tones to fit the natural surroundings. The highest rooftop will be approximately 13 to 15 feet and the highest deck level from the ground cover will be 6' 6". There are no plans to change existing park structures and placement of the equipment will be done to protect the existing healthy trees. We'll also add new trees and more landscaping.
- **Build Date: October 17 through 21, 2007.** With assistance from our design company and construction managers, everyone in the community – parents, grandparents, teenagers, kids, neighbors and friends -- will come together and build the playground in five days! What a huge boost and fun event for our community!
- **Committee Chairpeople: Please call us with any questions.**
  - Project Coordinators – Sue Greiner: 867-0119 or Shannon Glenzinski: 867-3439
  - Children's Committee – Kim Muller: 507-867-1447
  - PR/Advertising – Julie Fryer: 507-867-9775
  - Construction – Tim Brogan: 507-867-4816
  - Tools Coordinator – John McBroom: 507-867-3777
  - Fundraising – Laurie Van Dellen: 507-867-3957
  - Design Coordinators – Joan Verdegan: 507-867-4908 or Vicki Volker: 507-867-3514
  - Food – Barb Hawn: 507-867-3213
  - Childcare – Sue Greiner: 867-0119
  - Volunteers – Michelle Folken: 507-867-3128
  - Donations/Treasurer – Margaret Viss: 507-867-3997
- **Website:** <http://www.parkpartners.cgreiner.com>

(Information sheet updated September 25, 2007. Details may change as plan is reviewed)