



# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Flamino Bingo,  
Hwy 52 N., East Frontage Road

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

## Newsletter for November 2008

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

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### OFFICERS

President	Marie Alexander
Imm. Past Pres.	Phyllis Jacobs
Pres. Elect	
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Joanne Markee
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

### DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Frank Nichols	2008
Jim Morton	2009
Ken Reding	2009
Jerry Steinke	2010
Judy Lien	2010

### CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

Membership	Don Wendt	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 9am
Program	Kathy Davis	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Youth Services	Steinke/Wade	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Community Services	Joanne Markee	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Human & Spiritual Values	Dallas Glaser	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
Young Children Priority One	Larry Scilley	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Operations	Richard Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Public Relations	Herb Erickson	

Historian: Bruce Keller  
Interclub: Larry Krob  
Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Looft

Pres. Advisor: Ella VanLaningham  
Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell  
Regional Rep: Zanti Squillace

### Program Schedule :

**Nov. 4th Pedaling on Purpose** - Ken Rogers (Jack Zirdt)

**Nov. 11th Holiday Memories**, Marie Alexander (Kathy Davis)

**Nov. 18th Dairy Association**, Chris Sukalski

**Nov. 25th (Still Open)**

### Dates to Remember:

**Nov 08** Region 7 MN/DAK District Education Day

### Feb 18 Chanhassen Alert:

This is a heads up on the Chanhassen trip next February 18th. We will be seeing "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers". It is a fun musical and one you will enjoy.

Please check this date and be sure and tell your significant other so you will be ready to sign up sometime in the near future. As usual we have great seats. Remember --- February 18,2009, keep the date open.

Herb

### Presidents' Corner:

This is my first official newsletter as your new president of Day Makers. I still feel very unsure of myself and I hope that I don't disappoint any of you.

One of the main goals our region has set for us for the new year is to have a place in or near Rochester to do the Feeding the Children International on a regular basis throughout the year. The Day Makers and the other local Kiwanis Clubs have volunteered one day each spring in Stewartville for this program. I personally have worked for this program five times. It is a very easy job for young and old as three are both sitting and standing jobs.

The first group measures the ingredients into a plastic bag, the next group weighs and seals the bags, and the last group packs and seals the cartons. Bethel Lutheran Church has done this program once a year for two years already. Our plan is to make this a community effort with the Kiwanis Clubs being the umbrella organization to coordinate the effort.

If you have any suggestions regarding a place to do the packing, please let me know.

Marie Alexander

### November Birthdays

1	Judy Lien	20	John Griffith
4	Chuck Jacobson	22	Jack Holmes
9	Al Strom	25	Karen Lee
17	Connie Mayhew		

### November Anniversaries

2	Richard & Karen Lundberg
6	John & Pat Wade
15	Paul Sodt & Pat Horlocker
21	Bob & Jane Lahtinen

**Secretary/Treasurers Report - Oct'08**

**Bank Balance 9/30/08:** \$ 14,763.98  
Administrative Account: \$ 12,015.79  
Service Account: \$ 2,426.93  
Hockey/YCPO: \$ 156.60  
Bike Repair: \$ 164.66

**Day Makers on leave:** Ron King, Sara King, Frank Nichols

**September Service Hour Statistics:** 697 hours by 46 members, 55% Participation.

**October 14, 2008 Board Meeting Highlights:**

President Marie will appoint an auditing committee.

A list of the officers and committee chairs for the new Kiwanis year beginning October 1 was distributed.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership-** New committee chair (Don Wendt) is getting organized.

**Operations -** Fund Raiser ideas: Wendy's, Outback, Waffle Breakfast at Flamingo Bingo.

**YCPO-** Donated items normally rented may reduce cost of Parent-Child fair at Rochester Fest.

**Youth Services-** Two or three Century Key Club members are planning to attend Key Leader event.

Richard Lundberg, Treasurer

**Web Humor:**

A young cowboy from Wyoming goes off to college, but half way through the semester, he has foolishly squandered all his money. He calls home. 'Dad,' he says, 'You won't believe what modern education is developing! They actually have a program here in Laramie that will teach our dog, Ol' Blue how to talk!'

'That's amazing,' his Dad says. 'How do I get Ol' Blue in that program?' 'Just send him down here with \$1,000' the young cowboy says. 'I'll get him in the course.' So, his father sends the dog and \$1,000.

About two-thirds through the semester, the money again runs out. The boy calls home. 'So how's Ol' Blue doing son?' his father asks. 'Awesome, Dad, he's talking up a storm,' he says, 'but you just won't believe this - they've had such good results they have started to teach the animals how to read!' Next Page

**The Republic of the United States of America:**

**545 PEOPLE,** By Charlie Reese

Politicians are the only people in the world who create problems and then campaign against them.

Have you ever wondered why, if both the Democrats and the Republicans are against deficits, WHY do we have deficits?

Have you ever wondered why, if all the politicians are against inflation and high taxes, WHY do we have inflation and high taxes?

You and I don't propose a federal budget. The president does.

You and I don't have the Constitutional authority to vote on appropriations. The House of Representatives does.

You and I don't write the tax code, Congress does.

You and I don't set fiscal policy, Congress does.  
You and I don't control monetary policy, the Federal Reserve Bank does.

One hundred senators, 435 congressmen, one president, and nine Supreme Court justices. 545 human beings out of the 300 million are directly, legally, morally, and individually responsible for the domestic problems that plague this country.

I excluded the members of the Federal Reserve Board because that problem was created by the Congress. In 1913, Congress delegated its Constitutional duty to provide a sound currency to a federally chartered, but private, central bank.

I excluded all the special interests and lobbyists for a sound reason. They have no legal authority. They have no ability to coerce a senator, a congressman, or a president to do one cotton-picking thing. I don't care if they offer a politician \$1 million dollars in cash. The politician has the power to accept or reject it. No matter what the lobbyist promises, it is the legislator's responsibility to determine how he votes.

Those 545 human beings spend much of their energy convincing you that what they did is not their fault. They cooperate in this common con regardless of party.

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**Anyway, you get the idea ... not everything can be blamed on the President .....** Richard Odell

## 2008 Riverside Elementary K-Kids

K-Kids is off and running this year with twenty 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders signed up. Sue Thalacker, Jack and Judy Zierdt, and Al Strom met in September to plan possible activities for the year. Service projects for the nearby care center, school cleanup, and some gifts for the Ronald McDonald House were suggested. We will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month from 3:35 to 5:00 in the art room.

At our first meeting the K-Kids, Key Club members, and Day Makers introduced themselves. Jack explained the responsibilities of the various club offices. K-Kids wrote a short note explaining how their personal attributes would make them a good candidate for an office that they wished to run for.

At the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting elections were held. Following the elections the K-Kids planted perennials in the planters near the front door of Riverside School. The plants that the K-Kids planted last spring look very good in the planters.

We have had good support from Day Makers in helping with K-Kids activities and invite all members to attend a meeting.

Al Strom

## Web Humor: (Continued from page 2)

Read!' says his father, 'No kidding! How do we get Blue in that program?' Just send \$2,500, I'll get him in the class.'

The money promptly arrives. But our hero has a problem. At the end of the year, his father will find out the dog can neither talk, nor read. So he shoots the dog. When he arrives home at the end of the year, his father is all excited. 'Where's Ol' Blue? I just can't wait to see him read something and talk!'

'Dad,' the boy says, 'I have some grim news. Yesterday morning, just before we left to drive home, Ol' Blue was in the living room, kicked back in the recliner, reading the Wall Street Journal, like he usually does. Then he turned to me and asked, 'So, is your daddy still messing' around with that little redhead who lives in town?' The father exclaimed, 'I hope you shot that son of a gun before he talks to your Mother!'

'I sure did, Dad!' 'That's my boy!'

The kid went on to be a successful lawyer ..... And then he went on to become a Congressman .

Special thanks to Kiwanians **George and Carolyn Heyne** for donating 2 huge pumpking to IBM United Way Auction this year...big \$\$ for big pumpkins.

## Day Maker New Member

Dave Moehnke

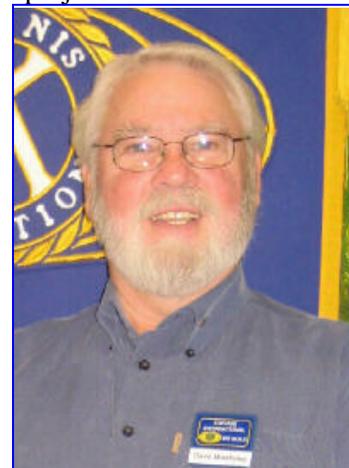
Born, raised, and educated in the Rochester area. With a career in sales management, I retired from the lawn and garden industry in 2005 as Vice President of sales / marketing for Heartland Gardens; a soils, mulch, and decorative stone packaging company with facilities in the Twin Cities and Omaha. Horticulture, landscaping and environmental issues are, and have been, an important part of my life, both personally and professionally. My wife and I returned to the Rochester area after a 30-year absence. You can come home again .... And I'm glad I did.

My participation in various volunteer positions have included:

- Quarry Hill Nature Center Board member. Numerous volunteer programs including most seasonal functions, various administrative projects, educational programs
- Master Naturalist and MN Shade Tree Advisory Committee Board member
- Audubon Society Board member.
- Bluebird Recovery Program. Life member
- Minneapolis Men's Garden Club. Past Board member.
- Lake Harriet Rock Garden / Perennial Gardens volunteer.
- Rochester Crime Prevention V.I.P.S. (Volunteers In Public Service) member.
- Neighborhood Watch Lead Block Captain.
- RNeighbors past Board member and NeighborWoods city boulevard Tree Planting project coordinator.
- Rochester Radio Theater Guild Board member and role participant.
- R.S.V.P. / Catholic Charities Advisory Council Board member / volunteer

Other retirement involvements include:

- "Crewing" for Hot Air Balloon launch and recoveries.
- Toiling in the gardens surrounding our Townhome in Stonehedge N.E.
- Stain Glass projects when the snow comes.



Day Makers Welcome Dave Moehnke....

Bob Nowicki