



# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tues 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 December 2018

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

K I W A N I S



**HOCKEY FESTIVAL  
DECEMBER 26, 27, 28**

### OFFICERS

President Jim Schwinghammer  
Imm. Past Pres. Shar Hain  
Pres. Elect Steve Panetta  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. Kathy Davis  
Secretary/Treasurer Dick Lundberg

### DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

George Heyne 2019  
Larry Segar 2019  
Jim Decker 2020  
Dave Bhaskaran 2021  
Gary Post 2021

### Chairs & Meeting Dates

Membership	Steve Panetta	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am
Program	Kathy Davis	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10:15am
Youth Services	Curt Pearson, Ken Reding	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Community Services	Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 8:30 am
Human & Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 10am
Early Childhood Dev	Larry Scillely, Dick Vrieze	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Operations/Fund Raising	Shar Hain	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Board Meeting	Jim Schwinghammer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am
Strategic Planning	Jim Cook	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10am

Historian: Bruce Keller      Pres.Advisor Jack Zierdt  
Interclub: Jack Zierdt      Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell  
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker

### Program Schedule:

- Dec 4 - Hospice Volunteer** - Mike Wuehler. Host. Jack Zierdt
- Dec 11- RST Airport Update** -John Reed exec director - Host Ella VanLaningham
- Dec 18 - Christmas Party** at CUMC
- Dec 25 - No meeting** (Enjoy the Season)

### Dates to Remember:

- Dec 20<sup>th</sup> – Membership Committee, Perkins South**  
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg>
- Dec 26,27, 28<sup>th</sup> - Kiwanis Hockey Festival** (Sign up for the fun) Graham Arenas – all Roch Kiwanis Clubs  
<http://kiwanisrochester.org/hockey>
- June 23-26<sup>th</sup> - KI Convention, Orlando, Florida,**  
Walt Disney World Resort, FL  
Learn more by calling (407) 566-5600

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

### Kiwanis Children’s Fund:

**Kids Need Kiwanis.** Gifts to the Children’s Fund  
**Learn more at:**  
<http://www2.kiwanis.org/childrensfund/news/foundation/2017/07/19/talking-about-the-kiwanis-children-s-fund-new-resources#.WXtnWyovs0>

### December Birthdays:

- 5 Sara King
- 10 Ken Reding
- 27 Helen Kolb

### President’ Corner:

With Christmas Anonymous and the Hockey Tournament coming up, we will have ample opportunities to volunteer. Thanks to all who year after year give their time to make these and other events great!

Thanks also go to the Program Committee for the enlightening and varied programs that we enjoy every week. And to the readers at Pinewood and other schools that share their time helping to mold the young minds and giving them a better chance to succeed in the future. As I ramble, I fear I have left others out but know that I appreciate all our members do.

Several of the readers will be missing at Pinewood in the coming weeks so look at your calendars and see if you can help take a few sessions during that time period. You will enjoy the children and they will brighten your life. I hope in the new year to continue the dialog with Shorewood to see how we might use their skills and abilities to advance our reading program and possibly other service projects.

A Pearl of Wisdom from Winston Churchill ‘The POSITIVE THINKER sees the INVISIBLE, feels the INTANGIBLE, and achieves the IMPOSSIBLE. I’m still thinking of golf “Golf is a game in which the ball lies poorly and the players well.” Art Rosenbaum.

The three most hated words in golf “You’re still out”.

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### December Anniversaries:

- 6 Don & Barbara Cain
- 6 Roger & Joan Olson
- 28 Eric & Jan Skuldt
- 30 Curt & Glennis Pearson

## Secretary/Treasurer's Report – 11/13/2018

<b>Bank Balance 10/31/2018:</b>	\$21,655.21
Bike Repair Fund:	\$ 34.30
Charitable Account	\$ 5,220.43
Administrative Fund:	\$ 5,883.65
Service Fund:	\$10,516.83

**October Service Hour Statistics:** 575 hours by 33 members, 57% Participation.

### November Board Meeting Summary

Next year will be our club's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, (July 26, 2019). An Ad Hoc committee of Shar Hain, Richard Lundberg, Bob Nowicki, and Jack Zierdt will begin making plans for a celebration. A line item is included, in the 2018/2019 budget, for expenses. Bob Nowicki will update our club's history. Kathy Davis and Jim Schwinghammer will call a meeting to review and select a date and venue. Willow Creek Golf, Castle (Old Senior Center), and VFW are being considered.

The board discussed a Rochester School District initiative to pursue a grant, which would assist homeless families that have children attending our schools. The Youth Committee will follow up.

The membership committee is reaching out to the executives at Shorewood to tell our story, and possibly pick up some members and/or readers there.

The board was informed that the Diversity Council is planning to pursue funding for a service that would provide legal aid for immigrants. There will be a program explaining this in the February/March timeframe.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Community Service-** Christmas Anonymous and the Kiwanis Hockey Festival is coming up in December. Sign-up sheets will be available soon. Shar Hain will manage the Salvation Army Bell Ringing sign-ups at Shopko.

**Early Childhood Development-** Pre-school reading will wrap up in December.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** Cards are being sent to members who are currently unable to attend meetings for health reasons. Rides to meetings will be arranged for those who would like them.

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## Secy/Treas Report: (Continued)

**Membership-** Jim S. will follow-up at Shorewood to seek reading volunteers and possibly members.

**Operations/Social Media/Web Site/Fund Raising-** The committee would like the board to make a decision on whether or not to continue the Golf Ball Drop Fund Raiser another year. The board passed a motion to discontinue doing the Golf Ball Drop Fundraiser. The committee will look into some Fund Raising ideas: Schwans, Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's, A Organ Concert at CUMC with a free will offering.

**Richard E. Lundberg**, Secretary

### Harriet Bishop K-Kids:

The Bishop K Kids had their first meeting of the year in October and 38 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are signed up.

President Hamza Al-Zuhairi, who was vice president last year and lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Kids pledge. Advisors this year are Katie Schafer and Amanda Sikkink. Initial project was to make, sign and send thank you cards to Knudsen Construction office in Rochester and Minneapolis for their donation of the bases for the Buddy Benches at the school.

The role of the officers was also explained and those interested were asked to submit a copy of their speech to Mrs. Schafer and if approved they were allowed to make campaign posters.

At the Nov 14 meeting those running for office read their speeches, and in a new twist voting was done electronically on I-pads. Those elected were:

- President Hamza Al-Zuhairi
- Vice President Carina Johnson
- Secretary Kaylie Reiland
- Treasurer Ben Stolz
- Publisher Jack Wynia

The group then broke into subgroups to brainstorm possible projects they would like to work on during the upcoming months. Their next meeting is Dec 18.



**Richard Johnson**

**Presidents Corner:**

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The Christmas Truce - In 1914, World War I was being fought as Christmas Eve settled upon the battlefield. The divide between the opposing forces was known as No Man's Land, the sliver of space between opposing trenches. Tired of the fighting, soldiers sang Silent Night and the First Noel. As tensions relaxed, both sides shared stories, photos of loved ones, schnapps and even played soccer. Peace at Christmas but only for a brief time.

Bring peace and joy to one and all this Christmas season.

**Jim Schwinghammer,**  
President 2018-2019

**Kiwanis Hockey Festival:**

See Bob Nowicki for sign-up opportunities to work the Hockey Festival Event, December 26 thru 28<sup>th</sup> at Rochester Graham Arenas.

This is a major fund raising event for all Rochester Kiwanis clubs and the funds are shared between the clubs based upon each clubs participation in supporting the event. Sell tickets, take tickets, work the arena, setup and take down....lots of activities.

<http://kiwanisrochester.org/hockey>

**Dick Odell**

**Christmas Anonymous:**

Thirty (heavy) tables and moving carts for upcoming Christmas Anonymous event were delivered to CUMC for the big event with a big truck and big trailer.

The real work begins soon when the food semi-trucks arrive and the food is moved into the church. Then our rebuilt Kiwanis bicycles arrive for distribution, etc.



Be sure and see Rick Johnson for the sign-up opportunities to help make many families have a joyful Christmas this year. Think, "What more can I do?"

**Dick Odell**

**Pizza Ranch Fund Raiser:**

A big thank you to all of our members that helped to make our Pizza Ranch "Tips Night" on November 6<sup>th</sup> a success this year.



Some members even brought family or neighbors along with them.



Also, there were a number of our members that supported our fundraiser by coming to eat and work.



November 6, 2018 - Pizza Ranch Results:

- \$172.15 tips
- \$205.13 10% of night's profits
- \$377.28 TOTAL (Service Budget Contribution)

**Judy Zierdt and Jim Cook, co-chairs**

**New Member: Rebecca "Becky" Hopson**

Born in Louisiana on the bayou  
Moved to Texas when two  
To an oil camp  
Where she graduated a state champ.

Went to Southwestern across the street  
Then to UT of Austin for a major feat  
Graduating in art history  
With an elementary teaching victory.

Meeting husband Joe and having Joseph and Jenny  
Their lives were blessed aplenty.  
In 1997, IBM moved them to the snow  
And they didn't say "No."

Joseph and Jenny graduated Century, becoming an  
engineer  
And a Mayo peer.  
A teacher for 20 years, medical transcriptionist for 19  
years,  
Becky retired in May 2018 without any tears.

Hubby Joe now working at Hy-Vee  
In a bakery,  
They have played a lot of tennis  
And biked the Mickelson Trail to the finish.

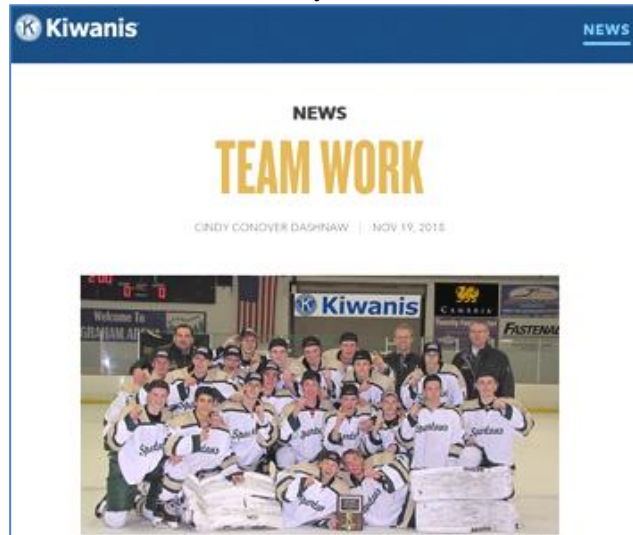
Aspiring children and communities to care  
To improve their world and share  
Knowledge and love for one another  
Is a wish like no other.



Welcome to the Day Makers Becky....  
Our new poet extraordinaire.  
And a handbell ringer also.  
**Carolyn Heyne**

**Kiwanis Online Magazine: Hockey Festival**

Immeiate Past Lt Gov Randy Schmidt pulled together a  
great article for the Kiwanis Magazine featuring our  
Rochester Kiwanis Hockey Festival event.



The complete article may be read at:

[https://www.kiwanis.org/news/newsitem/news/newsitem/team-work?\\_zs=6pPge1&\\_zl=jp8L5](https://www.kiwanis.org/news/newsitem/news/newsitem/team-work?_zs=6pPge1&_zl=jp8L5)

"The clubs bring in all the referees, make arrangements  
with the facility, schedule the games, get the trophies,  
plan the ceremonies and ensure everyone's safety," says  
Randall Schmidt, 2017-18 Division 7 lieutenant  
governor in the Minnesota-Dakotas District. "We have to  
manage the event and everyone's expectations,"

Nice article by Randy and it raises the visibility of our  
Hockey Festival across Kiwanis Clubs.

I also recognized the photo they used...Bob Nowicki  
and Dick Odell pulled the photos together.

**Dick Odell**

**Amazon Smile: Works all year !**

Did you know that **Kiwanis Charitable and Educational  
Corporation of Rochester Minnesota** has a unique  
AmazonSmile link that makes it easier for people to find and  
support your organization?

**What is my organization's unique link?**

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When customers click on your organization's unique link, they  
skip the process to search for a charity to support among over  
1 million eligible charities. Instead, they're taken to  
[smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and are automatically asked if they want to  
support **Kiwanis Charitable and Educational Corporation  
of Rochester Minnesota** and Amzon then provides a donation  
to our foundation.

**Richard Lundberg and Dick Odell**

## K-Kids Riverside Elementary:

In 2016-2017 we had experienced a great year with projects for Riverside K-Kids. As the Day Maker leader, I looked forward to another great year and hoped it could be duplicated. The first session started with a nice group of kids interested in the year to come. Helen Kolb and Herb Erickson visited with a treat from Flapdoodles Ice Cream. Herb and Curt scooped out treats for each student interested. Soon questions were asked and the group was informed on what the coming year would be like.

Jody Peterson and Mrs. B., faculty advisors presented a calendar of events for the coming year. Students were asked to write about the office they would like to hold. Very few were opposed but were required to tell everyone why they wanted, and could do, the duties of the office. The next meeting they were required to tell about themselves and why they wanted the office available. The next meeting an election was held.

The following were elected:

- President: Gabby Evenson and Janea Gaston were tied - Both would share the office
- Vice President: Aaliyah Jackson
- Secretary: Lydia Kumba
- Treasurer: Abdullahi Mohamud

First item of business at the next meeting was approving a project called “Pennies for Patients”. Our secretary, Lydia has included a description. (See next column. →). It was approved and, as you can read, is concluding the end of November. Thanks to Kiwanis members who chose to participate.

Thanks for the opportunity of being a part of this positive group of K-Kids for 2018-2019.

**Curt Pearson**  
Riverside K-Kids Advisor,

## K-Kids – Pennies for Patients:

Our Riverside Kiwanis Kids (K-Kids) is a student led organization that tries to make the world a better place in which to live.

This month we organized “Pennies for Patients”. This is a fundraiser for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society uses the money for research and to help families pay for cancer treatment.

Our K-kids made a video to share with the school. In the video they described the Pennies for Patients program and asked students to bring in spare change. They made collection boxes for each classroom. On November 30 they will collect the money from the classrooms and we will bring it to our local Leukemia and Lymphoma Society office.

The K-Kids were very excited to be part of this program.



**Pennies  
for  
Patients®**

**Curt Pearson  
Helen Kolb  
Herb Erickson**