



## 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 2020

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

**DAY MAKERS  
KIWANIS**

**COVID-19**

**SOCIAL  
DISTANCING  
CONTINUES**

#### OFFICERS

President Kathy Davis  
Imm. Past Pres. Jim Schwinghammer  
Pres. Elect  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. Open  
Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt

#### DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Dave Bhaskaran 2021  
Garry Post 2021  
Bruce Keller 2022  
Larry Scilley 2022  
Jim Decker 2023

#### Chairs & Meeting Dates

|                         |                         |                                  |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Membership              | Jim Schwinghammer       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am     |
| Program                 | Larry Segar             | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10:15am |
| Youth Services          | Helen Kolb, Ken Redding | 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday          |
| Community Services      | Rick Johnson            | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 8:30 am |
| Human & Spiritual       | Ruth Vrieze             | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 10am    |
| Early Childhood Dev     | Larry Scilley           | 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday          |
| Operations/Fund Raising | Jim Schwinghammer       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday          |
| Board Meeting           | Kathy Davis             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am    |
| Strategic Planning      | Jim Cook                |                                  |

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

#### Program Schedule:

#### ...Special Notice ...

**Our board of directors will let us know when to resume in person meetings.**

**Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Day/Kiwanis Governor**  
Visit meeting for Division 7. Follow the directions to sign up with Steve Forseth for the invitation link. Call Jack Zierdt for reservation and linkage.

**Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM See Zoom linkage below (p. 2)**

**Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:00AM See Zoom linkage below (p. 2)**

**Keep in touch via email or phone and stay safe.**

#### December Kids Humor:

- How do you get a squirrel to like you?  
- Act like a nut.
- What do you give a sick lemon?  
- Lemon Aid.
- Why did the student eat his homework?  
- Because the teacher told him it was a piece of cake.
- Why do dragons sleep during the day?  
- So they can fight knights.
- What did the calculator say to the student?  
- You can count on me.

#### Presidents' Corner:

Wow ! Here we are starting the last month of 2020. In one way I say, Hallelujah! But then again it has really taught me how to think outside the box . 😊

For any of you that are interested Kiwanis Day of Education is this coming Saturday, Dec 5th, on zoom. It starts at 9:00 and goes until noon. If you would like to be a part of it you may contact either Jack Z or me and we will make sure you are included . Yes, I know it's not like being there but we do what we can.

A big thank you to Rick Johnson for once again heading up the transportation part of. Christmas Anonymous and letting our members know how they can help. As you know Christmas Anonymous has had to completely think outside the box in planning this years store.

At one time I was hoping we would be backing meeting together at the Elks by January but that's not going to happen for awhile longer. I guess the best I can say is, We are taking it month by month. Thank goodness for zooms!!!!

I just finished up with Festival of Trees . Hope you got to check out some of the beautiful trees spread out over the city. Our own Bob Nowicki's wood carvers group had the most beautiful tree with hundreds of hand carved ornaments. It was on our silent auction.

In closing I hope to see all of you at our December meetings and to wish you all a very Merry Christmas!!! Take care!

**Kathy Davis, DM President**

#### December Birthdays:

10 Ken Reding  
27 Helen Kolb

#### December Anniversaries:

06 Joan and Roger Olson  
28 Eric and Jan Skuldt  
30 Curt and Glennis Pearson

**Treasurer's Report – 11/30/2020**

|                                 |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Bank Balance 11/30/2020:</b> | <b>\$ 19,687.49</b> |
| Administrative Account          | \$ 3,269.47         |
| Service Account                 | \$ 12,185.88        |
| Charitable Account              | \$ 4,232.14         |

Total Membership **46**

**Jack Zierdt, Treasurer**

**Children's Fund: Amazon Smile Program**

When you shop this fall, remember the Amazon Smile Program for boosting our fundraising projects.

<https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F>

Same products, same prices, same service. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases.

What a good fundraising opportunity for our Kiwanis Clubs. Check it out at the web site shown above.

**Herb Erickson and Dick Odell**

**Day Makers ZOOM Meetings:**

**Time: Dec 8, 2020 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89286994663?pwd=Vmlhblg2WnJFTnNiNTIQRXJkeHlScz09>

Meeting ID: 892 8699 4663

Passcode: goblu

**Time: Dec 22, 2020 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81375053521?pwd=TzhjSzhVdGs2dWFmelBGcGVzUWZZUT09>

Meeting ID: 813 7505 3521

Passcode: goblu

**David Bhaskaran**

**KI Youth Protection Guidelines: Questionnaire**

Here is the link to the KI Youth Protection (Questionnaire) Guidelines that Jack Z referenced in Nov.

<http://kiwanisrochester.org/KIYouthGuide2020.pdf>

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: 11/10/2020**

Kathy called the ZOOM Board meeting to order at 10:05 AM

**Board Members/Committee Chairs Present:** Rick Johnson, Jack Zierdt, Dave Bhaskaran, Jim Cook, Garry Post, Kathy Davis, Bruce Keller, Jim Decker,

**Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent:** Larry Segar, Ken Reding, Ruth Vrieze, Helen Kolb, Jim Schwinghammer, Larry Scilley,

**Others Present:** None

**Approval of Agenda:** Dave Bhaskaran moved and Garry Post seconded to approve the Agenda as presented.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Dave Bhaskaran moved, and Jim Decker seconded to approve the minutes from the October 13th Board Meeting.

**Approved**

**Treasurer's Report for October 31, 2020:** The printed report was sent out to all board members preceding the meeting. Following discussion, the report was filed as sent out. **Approved**

- The bill for the Kiwanis International and MN-Dakotas Kiwanis District annual dues in the amount of \$4,682.00 for 46 members has arrived and was presented. It will be paid as it falls within the budget.
- At the present time we still have 9 members that have not paid dues for the October – December of this Kiwanis Year. Bills were sent by email following the Board Meeting.
- Discussion was held on the subject of having the Happy Bucks segment during our Zoom meetings. A statement regarding this will be put in the weekly updates.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

We will continue to hold our meetings via Zoom at least through January 2021.

Rick Johnson brought up the HyVee receipts collection for Harriet Bishop and Riverside Elementary Schools. Anyone having or saving receipts should put them in an envelope and deliver them to the Bell Ringing station during the time slots for the Day Makers or put them in an envelope and send them to Kathy Davis or Helen Kolb no later than December 17<sup>th</sup>. Following that date, they will be divided and taken to the schools.

Ruth Vrieze was not present so there was no report on the Salvation Army Bell Ringing for 2020. We have 4 dates that we are scheduled for the Day Makers Kiwanis Club to ring bells at Hy Vee North.

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### Kiwanis Day Makers Club Dues:

December is the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the new Kiwanis year. Therefore, the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (Oct, Nov, Dec) dues are now payable. Please send your check for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter dues to Jack.

The dues are as follows: Regular Membership \$45.00 @quarter; Spouse Membership \$25.00 @quarter and Life Membership \$35.00 @quarter.



**Jack Zierdt**  
DM Treasurer

### Harriet Bishop K-Kids update

I received an e-mail from Bishop K-Kids advisor Katie Schafer saying that they will begin meeting virtually via Google Meets. The first meeting will be Wednesday Dec. 2 and I told her I will make every effort to sit in ..... which may be a challenge on two fronts;

- One, being Christmas Anonymous is starting and
- Second, how easy I can assimilate Google Meets.

She went on to say how the kids told her how much they looked forward to K-Kids over the summer and how many wanted to follow in their sibling's footsteps.

Katie said that Jovan Kristo the school counselor will be helping her lead this year.

She also gave me a **Google Meets** link if anyone is interested.

**Rick Johnson**

### Salvation Army Bell Ringing:

We're off to a good start with the Red Kettle Bell Ringing and will continue with two shifts each for the next two Thursdays. Our first four ringers reported having a great time and lots of fun ringing. We are assigned to ring bells at HY-VEE NORTH on 37<sup>th</sup> Street. Bring your friends and relatives with you.

We chose Thursdays and have had good sign ups thus far. We need two people for each slot. I will list the open slots available at this time. Thursday, Dec. 10. 5-7 p.m. (only one person needed yet), Thursday, Dec. 17, 5-7 pm.

We are required to wear masks and gloves (our own winter gloves or rubber gloves). We are asked to wipe down the kettle often with Chlorox wipes that will be provided. Aprons and bells are in a backpack beneath the kettle. Return these to the backpack unless the next bell ringers have arrived.

We have a nice laminated sign indicating that the current ringers are from the Rochester Day Makers' Kiwanis Club which we will display during each of our sessions.



Yes, this is the Schwinghammers and Deedee Odell.



And this is Kathy and Linda.....

**Ruth Vrieze**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: 11/10/2020**  
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We are scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup>; December 3<sup>rd</sup>; 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> for 2 shifts of 2 hours each from 3 to 5 and 5 to 7. The December 3<sup>rd</sup> slots are already filled by Dave & Maureen Bhaskaran and Rick & Sue Johnson.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Jack mentioned that he has informed Kiwanis International that our Key Club at Century High School and our two K-kids clubs at Harriet Bishop and Riverside are not holding meetings during this Covid time. We were given a reprieve from paying dues for this year due to not holding meetings.

However, our club is still credited with sponsoring the clubs and their listed under our Day Makers name. Kathy mentioned that she has been in communication with the Elks Club regarding our storage of belongings of Club items and especially the big white cabinet even though we are not holding meetings during this time. She has communicated to the Elks that we plan to return to in person meetings at their facility when this pandemic clears up for meeting attendance. She asked if they would like us to pay some rent for the storage and is waiting for an answer to this inquiry.

A brief discussion was held on whether we should meet more often and whether we should try to hold some committee meetings via Zoom during this time. It was decided that we would hold off on committee meetings at the present time and that our frequency of club meetings seems to be adequate at the present time.

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM

**Jack Zierdt**

**K-Dollar Challenge Fund Raising:**

Continue saving your “K Dollars” for the Children’s Fund once again. The “K Dollar” Challenge will be held again for this next 2020-2021 Kiwanis year according to Kathy Welle, District Chair of Kiwanis International Foundation Children’s Fund.

I will gladly collect your “K Dollars” whenever we meet once again as a club at the Elks. Until then, you can either send your “K Dollars” to me via US mail or just meet up with me to donate to this challenge.

K-Dollars are readily available in SD/WY, just ask Farmer Dick Odell.



The Kiwanis Children’s Fund is a way of reaching children through grants, scholarship programs, and Kiwanis youth programs.

At the present time we have \$134.00 in “K-Dollars.”

**Judy Zierdt**

And yes, there is such a thing as a K-Dollar in the \$100 currency ....



**Dick Odell**

**One last joke:**

Why did the girl smear peanut butter on the road?  
- To go with the traffic jam.

**Kiwanis Mission Statement:** "Fund Raising"

I have missed saying the mission statement at meetings so I'm doing it here.

*"Kiwanis Day Makers is a local organization of volunteers, dedicated to improving our service fund, one gift card and one car wash card at a time."*

WOW, that really inspires me. I'm going to gas up and wash my car right now. See ya later.

**Herb Erickson**

**Kwik Trip Car Wash or Gift Cards:** Winter is Coming

**Kwik TRIP \$35**  
Ultimate **CAR WASH** card  
5 washes  
fund raiser

**Kwik TRIP** \$25 \$50 \$100  
GIFT CARD  
inside or outside purchases  
fund raiser  
*contact herb*

Our club uses this opportunity as a fund raiser project.

**Herb Erickson and Dick Odell**

PS: Do you know the model year of these two vehicles?

**Do You Need Firewood? :** Fresh Oak/Elm Available

If you need firewood ... Kiwanians, call me and bring your chain saw and pickup or trailer.



I have access to a wood splitter.



Nothing like the glow of a warm fireplace in winter...

**Dick Odell**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year:**

**Here is hoping that you all have a good year in 2021**



**Dick and Deedee Odell**