



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 **January 2024**



OFFICERSg		DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)		Chairs & Meeting Dates	
President	Janet Cederholm	Dave Bhaskaran	2024	Operation/Fundraising	Jim Schwinghammer 1st Tuesday 8:35 am
Imm. Past Pres.	Linda Rouhoff	Garry Post	2024	Program	Jim Cook 1st Tuesday 10:05 am
Pres. Elect	Becky Hopson	Bruce Keller	2025	Board Meeting	Janet Cederholm 2nd Tuesday 10:05 am
1 st Vice Pres.		Larry Scilley	2025	Community Services	Rick Johnson 3rd Tuesday 8:35 am
Secretary/Treasurer	Jack Zierdt	Jim Decker	2026	Public Relations (PR)	Greg Hain 3rd Tuesday 10:05 am
Historian: Bruce Keller		Pres.Advisor: Kathy Davis		Human and Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze 3rd Tuesday 10:05 am
Interclub: Kathy Davis, Jack Zierdt		Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell		Membership	Linda Rouhoff 3rd Thursday 9:00 am
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker				Youth Services	Helen Kolb, Ken Reding 4th Tuesday 8:35 am
				Early Childhood	Linda Rouhoff 4th Tuesday 10:05 am

<p>Program Schedule:</p> <p>...Special Notice ...</p> <p>Four meetings January are at 9am at the Elk’s. In-Person/Zoom meetings weekly, see details on page 2.</p> <p>01/02 CANCELLED</p> <p>01/09 Mount Kilimanjaro, Del Lawson, Kathy Davis</p> <p>01/16 Electric Vehicles Update, Tom DeBoer, Dave Bhaskaran</p> <p>01/23 3 Rivers Restorative Program, Kendall Hughes, Kathy Davis</p> <p>01/30 National Park Ranger's Life, Ginger Zierdt, Jack Zierdt</p> <p>*** **</p> <p>Enjoy and support the other Rochester Kiwanis:</p> <p>January 10 – Pizza Ranch (Downtowners) 5:00 to 8:00 PM Great pizza, chicken, dessert, etc We eat and they do the work!</p> <p>January 27 –Pancake Breakfast at VFW All Kiwanis Clubs participating 7:30 AM to Noon at VFW (proceeds benefit Ukraine)</p> <p>Dick Odell</p>	<p>President’s Corner:</p> <p>Happy New Year! 2024 is here – a year to celebrate 30 years of Day Makers.</p> <p>As I write this the 2023 Hockey Festival is in progress. What a great fundraiser to have and a good way to meet some fellow Kiwanians from the other Rochester groups.</p> <p>December is often the month with our largest amount of volunteer hours and I expect no change this year. Salvation Army bell ringing, Christmas Anonymous, and the Hockey Tournament help make it easy to increase our volunteer time.</p> <p>Starting a new year is often a time for people to change something in their life. Perhaps your new year’s resolutions include volunteering more time in your community or just spreading a little more kindness with a smile or helping hand. Try something new you’ve never done before – start small and you might be surprised what you can accomplish!</p> <p>I can’t end this month’s note without mentioning membership – membership, membership, membership. Invite someone to a January meeting – the program committee has great programs lined up. We are a great organization and what a better way to celebrate 30 years than to bring in some new members to continue for at least another 30 years.</p> <p>Until next time..... Janet Cederholm, President</p>
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<p>January Birthdays:</p> <p>08 Jim Decker 21 Jim Schwinghammer</p> <p>11 Rick Johnson 22 Wayne Harvey</p>	<p>January Anniversaries:</p> <p>No January anniversaries</p>
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Treasurer's Summary: December 30, 2023

Administrative Account	\$ - \$188.99
Service Account	\$ 9,236.84
Charitable Account	\$ 9,080.94
	\$ 18,128.79

Total Membership on October 1, 2023 **40**

"K" Dollars so far for 2023 – 2024 Kiwanis Year
\$664.00 as of December 30, 2023.

KWIK Trip fund raiser for 2023-2024 Kiwanis Year

Budgeted for expenses in 2023-2024 is :	\$10,000.00
Actual expenses through Dec 2023:	\$ 4,900.00
Budgeted for income in 2023-2024 is:	\$10,400.00
Actual income through Dec 2023:	\$ 4,312.96
Inventory of Cards on Hand is:	\$ 900.00

Day Makers ZOOM Meetings: January

Jan 02: No Meeting

Jan 09: Meeting but no Zoom Broadcast

Time: Jan 16, 2024 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84086946953?pwd=a2p6NVVudnZFVFhQYk9teTl0M2RGQT09>

Meeting ID: 840 8694 6953

Passcode: goblue

Time: Jan 23, 2024 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85485718580?pwd=MWxGNHoxL3kxbURBdlZ4UFJGZmNZdz09>

Meeting ID: 854 8571 8580

Passcode: goblue

Time: Jan 30, 2024 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81039454121?pwd=Ny83MUhCUys3VHhscmtVNTV1L0dPd09>

Meeting ID: 810 3945 4121

Passcode: goblue

Dave Bhaskaran

Mad Scientist Project:



Working together to generate and detect entangled proton. Entangled protons are quantum phenomena particles. Read up on quantum computers from IBM and other researchers. Four Day Makers in photo. Meet Wednesday mornings.....

Gala Holiday Party: Dec 19, 2023

Great Decorations, Great Music and Singing, Great Meal offerings and Great Cooperation in setting up and taking down our standard Day Maker meeting stuff **plus** the great variety of *Christmas energizing ambience*.

Charlie's staff provided nice table settings, and good food – including those scrumptious desserts and service. (Some of his staff shared they were *impressed* with our decorations.

At the risk of forgetting someone, we must give Special Thanks to:

- Shar and Linda (and their staff) for the decorations.
- Janet Cederholm for her leadership in selecting songs, playing the piano, and her "Name that Tune" selections. Us non-musically talented were also impressed by the Day Makers who named the tunes!
- Co-leaders of our singing – Ruth Vrieze, Garry Post, Larry Scilley.
- Audio and video "technician" Dave Bhaskaran

A GREAT way to end our Day Makers 2023 meetings.

Jim Cook

PS: Thank you for your leadership, Jim ! (DickO)

Salvation Army-Red Kettle Days:

Day Makers are manning the Red Kettles at Hy-Vee 37th Street. Our Club again rang bells for The Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive at Hy-Vee. We took seven shifts with two members at each shift. Everyone reports this as being an enjoyable two hours. Salvation Army reported back to me that the total for the seven days at this kettle location was \$5123.21.

Collections seem to be “very generous” so far this year.



Jim Decker, Helen Kolb and many other Day Makers are working the Salvation Army Red Kettle days at HyVee Store on 37th St NW. Be sure and remind your friends and neighbors to drop by while shopping.

Helen Kolb and Ruth Vrieze

Salvation Army Red Kettles:



Dave Bhaskaran and Jim Schwinghammer are great “ding-a-ling” bell ringers for Red Kettle days.

Gala Holiday Party:

Then the fun began ...



Great musician ... Thank you Janet.



... and our song leaders ...



Gary, Ruth and Larry.

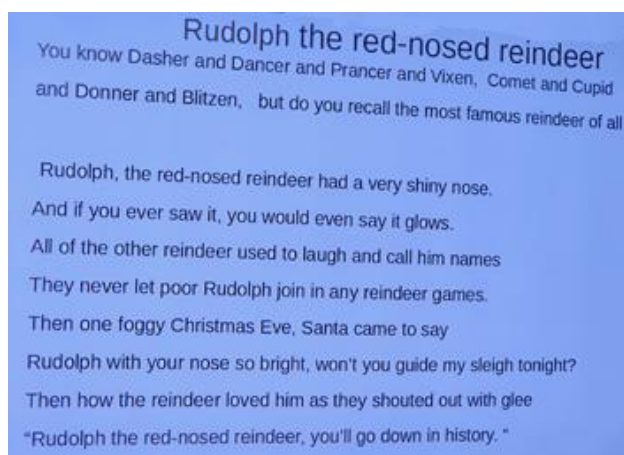
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Gala Holiday Party: (Continued from page 3)

Guess what Gary Post's favorite song is?



Correct: It is "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" !



Holiday Decorations Everywhere...



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Holiday Party and Luncheon at Charlies":



Even "special gifts" via random drawings:



Special thanks to Janet Cedarholm for her Digital Piano skills for our Holiday Carols.



And, "A good time was had by all !"

Photos by Dick Odell

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF MEETING: December 12, 2023

The Board meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM by President Janet Cederholm.

Board Members/Committee Chairs Present: Jack Zierdt, Jim Decker, Helen Kolb, Jim Schwinghammer, Janet Cederholm, Bruce Keller, Jim Cook, Ruth Vrieze, Garry Post, Dave Bhaskaran, Ken Reding, Becky Hopson, Rick Johnson. and Larry Scilley

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent: Greg Hain, and Linda Rouhoff

Other Day Makers, Members Present, Sue Johnson and Judy Zierdt

Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Jim Decker and seconded by Dave Bhaskaran to approve the agenda as corrected. **Motion Passed**

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Jim Decker made the motion to approve the minutes, of the meeting of November 14, 2023. Ruth Vrieze seconded the motion. **Minutes were Approved.** Larry Scilley moved, and David Bhaskaran seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the special board meeting of November 28, 2023. **Minutes were approved.**

Becky Hopson moved, and it was seconded by Ruth Vrieze to approve the monthly report to Kiwanis International for November 2023 **Approved**

Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 2023: The printed report was sent out to all board members in the packets before the meeting. Helen Kolb moved to accept the report and David Bhaskaran seconded the motion to accept the report with a correction of the date on the summary page. **Motion was Approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

An explanation regarding the plans for our annual Holiday Celebration meeting on the 19th of December, was presented by Jim Cook.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Jack mentioned that he and Janet in looking at the club bylaws found the need to update the section that listed our annual dues and the section for Members in Good Standing. The latest set of bylaws that are on file at Kiwanis International are from 2012. Jack stated that he has talked with Rene Booker in Member Services at Kiwanis International as to how to proceed with the update. Following Jack's presentation to the board Dave Bhaskaran moved and Jim Decker seconded the motion to present the updated version to the membership for approval in January. **Motion was Approved.**

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BOD Meeting: continued

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Decker mentioned that the 2023-2024 First Quarter audit will be held on Tuesday January 23rd immediately following our regular weekly meeting with himself, David Bhaskaran and Jack Zierdt doing the audit. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

A discussion regarding the December 19th meeting and plans was led by Jim Cook. It was decided that a special Board Meeting will be held on November 28th to make final decisions on the plans for our annual Holiday Celebration meeting on the 19th of December.

David Bhaskaran moved to move the January 2024 Board Meeting from the second Tuesday (January 9th) to the third Tuesday January 16th. Helen Kolb seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Rick Johnson stated that this is a very busy time of our Kiwanis Year for the Community Services Committee. Christmas Anonymous was held on December 9th. We are still very busy with Channel 1 and the Meals on Wheels program each week. He mentioned that Jim Decker has the sign-up sheets available for the upcoming annual hockey festival.

Linda Rouhoff was not present so that there wasn't a report from the Early Childhood Development Committee.

The Human and Spiritual Aims Committee report was given by Ruth Vrieze. She stated that she had sent out cards to Herb Erickson following his surgery. She, also stated that she sent a sympathy card to Ella VanLanningham following Glenn's passing. She will send a card to Shar Hain following her shoulder surgery. Ruth stated that she had distributed the Christmas cards from the Day Makers to various locations where the homeless congregate and to care centers. She, also, reported that sign-up for Salvation Army Bell Ringing has been very good.

Linda Rouhoff was not present to give a Membership Committee report.

Jim Schwinghammer said there was nothing new to report other than that the meeting times will be changed for the Operations and Fund Raising committee.

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Christmas Anonymous Recap:

Christmas Anonymous for 2023 is past and successful. Our Day Makers participation was good and I thank all who helped. While the tasks have reduced from past years, it still requires a lot of effort. While we no longer must load and unload bikes, fruit and food, we still visit participating schools for their donations, unload the KTTC toy drive truck, load and unload tables, move items from storage to CUMC and back, cut up cardboard and help get CUMC cleaned up. We used to accomplish this with just our club and the Golden K, but this is becoming a bigger job than our two clubs can handle alone now and we received much appreciated help from the Sheriff's Sentenced to Serve, the Grizzlies hockey team and a number of volunteers including senior softball players.



The number of participants this year was 442 families which included 594 boys and 708 girls which ranged in age from 1 to 18. While 560 families had originally registered there was a 22% no-show, which is probably due to movement of the families between registration and store day. Jack will tally the hours we volunteered, and it is significant. Once again I thank I thank you all.

Rick Johnson and Helen Kolb

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Holiday Season Greeting Cards:

Rochester Day Makers signed Christmas cards at our December 5th meeting. Ruth Vrieze delivered them to the following places:

- The Landing - 116 cards
- Edenbrook - 55
- Rochester Health Services West - 35
- Rochester Health Services East - 55
- Madonna Meadows Assisted Living - 66
- Bethany Samaritan Skilled Nursing - 79

In addition, we all signed cards which were sent to 7 of our inactive members. Everyone present signed cards for Bev Livesay which were delivered to her by George and Carolyn Heyne.



This is a grand total of 438 cards signed and delivered to help make someone's Christmas a bit happier.



Persons accepting the cards at each facility seemed very appreciative of our club doing this.

Ruth Vrieze and Bruce Keller

2023 Kiwanis Hockey Festival:

The Hockey Festival was fast and furious this year with 33 games going on during the 3 days. Ticket sales were brisk and the McDonalds coupon in the Hockey Booklet was a welcome surprise to some attendees.



Lots of Kiwanians working the event, ticket tables, team rooms and management in the “backroom”, etc.



Very colorful this year with “Gold and Blue” Division in the “Round Robin Style Playoffs.”



Take note that KTTC and KIMT made mention that the Hockey Festival event is a financial boost to Rochester business community, in a time period which would normally be a slow period. Thank your Rochester TV.

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BOD Meeting: December 12, 2023 (from page 5)

Jim Cook stated that we NEED programs in January. Please contact Jim.

Greg Hain was not present to give Public Relations Committee report.

Ken Reding stated that the Youth Services Committee will not meet in December. Rick stated that he has not had any response from Harriet Bishop regarding the K-kids program.

President Janet adjourned the meeting at 10:56 AM.

Jack Zierdt
Secretary/Treasurer

Hockey Festival:

Great local TV coverage this year with even “on the ice” interviews with Kiwanians ... nicely done Vern Yetzer!



And of course the Hockey Festival Website was constantly being update with teams scores as the games progressed.

Check out the Hockey Festival website at:
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/hockey/> and for specific team grids, scores and Championship photos go directly to:
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/hockey/ScorePosit04.htm>

And finally, take note of the many local businesses that help sponsor the Hockey Festival event with their ads and support of the event. They are listed on the website at:
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/hockey/Sponsors.htm>

Dick Odell (web master)