

# **Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club**

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Flamingo 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 February 2014

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Thursday 9am Tuesday, 10:15am

#### **OFFICERS**

President	Jim Cook
Imm. Past Pres.	Mike Siverling
Pres. Elect	Judy Zierdt
1st Vice Pres.	Nick Lauer
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	Open
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

<b>DIRECTORS</b> (3 yr	terms)
Larry Scilley	2014
Rick Johnson	2015
Helen Kolb	2015
Joan Olson	2016
Curt Pearson	2016

Jack Zierdt

CHAIRS & Meeting Dates				
Membership	Nick Lauer	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am		
Program	Judy Zierdt	1st Tuesday, 10:15a		
Youth Services	Jerry Steinke	1st Tuesday		
Community Services	Diane Johnson	3rd Tuesday, 8:35 am		
Human & Spiritual Values	Ruth Vrieze	3 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am		
Early Childhood Development	Larry Scilley	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday		
Operations	Mike Siverling	1st Tuesday		
Board Meeting	Jim Cook	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am		
Eliminate Project	Jack Zierdt	1st Tuesday, 10am		

## Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker **Program Schedule:**

Historian: Bruce Keller

Interclub: Roger Olson

Feb. 4th Proposed Veteran's Museum, Tom Hosier. Bob Nowicki

Pres. Advisor:

Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell

Feb. 11th TBD

Feb. 18th Mexico Medical Mission, Dr. Casey Caldwell, Larry Segar

Feb. 25th Oxbow's New Summer Project, Karlin Ziegler, Bob Nowicki

#### **Dates to Remember:**

**Feb 20**<sup>th</sup> – Perkins South Kiwanis Coupon Day http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.ipg

Feb 25<sup>th</sup> – Bakers Square Benefit Night, 10% return

Mar 1<sup>st</sup> – Senior Center Chili Feed

**April 5<sup>th</sup>** – Food for Kidz -Food Pack, Stewartville **April 15** – Kiwanis Region 7 multi-club meeting

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

## **New Eliminate Coordinators:**

- Jack Zierdt will be Day Maker Coordinator
- Denis Cornell will be Region 7 Coordinator
- Bill Daugherty continues as MN-Dak Coord

### **President's Corner:**

Woe, January 2014 as zipped right on by with hardly a Day Makers meeting! During January, as you well know, we had only one "normal" meeting (January 14<sup>th</sup>). We did enjoy a very good tour of The Place, sandwiched by two "freeze-out postponements." Hopefully e-mails and selective phone calls prevent some members from showing up at a closed Flamingo Bingo. Guess our January meeting "difficulties" are what can happen when we have a "traditional Minnesota January winter."

So in this article I can give only a "broad brush" of our move status and upcoming service activities Day Makers must consider volunteering for in the next few months. Assuming no weather impacts, we will provide some additional details during our February 4<sup>th</sup> general meeting at Flamingo Bingo.

Here goes:

- Move update: (Based upon Jan. 28th Flamingo Bingo (FB) communiqué): FB is about 99% sure the move will happen, though Elks has not signed the formal lease agreement. Current details (subject to change) for us to reflect upon follow:
  - FB currently plans to be out of the current location by Mar. 31st. Last bingo night is Saturday Mar.
  - Day Makers last meeting in the building will be Mar 18<sup>th</sup>. Elks renovation process may prohibit us using the Elks location until April 1<sup>st</sup> – or later.
  - We have been told there will be no room for our storage cabinet. This fact is being further investigated by our Day Makers "move group."
  - FB staff has asked us to assist in the FB move actions. We have to iron out with the FB staff what our members can do versus what FB would like.

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#### **February Birthdays:**

1	Bob Mayhew	12	Diane Johnson
1	Jack Zierdt	15	Marlys McCoy
7	Tom Lemke	18	Chuck Barclay
9	Mike Siverling	26	Sally Wendt

10 Hollis Feeser

## **February Anniversaries:**

- Dick & Ruth Vrieze
- 14 Bob & Connie Mayhew
- 17 Merlyn & Margaret Jeche
- 17 Ron & Sara King

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## Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Jan 2014

 Bank Balance 12/31/2013:
 \$ 7,517.22

 Administrative Account:
 \$ 3,884.98

 Service Account:
 \$ 3,040.83

 Bike Repair:
 \$ 163.51

 K-Family Funds
 \$ 427.90

**Day Makers on leave:** Chuck Barclay, Don Cain, Herb Erickson, Merlyn Jeche, Ron King, Sara King, Curt Pearson, Bill Schneider

**December Service Hour Statistics:** 988 hours by 53 members, 61% Participation.

## January 14, 2014 Board Meeting Summary:

The decision has been made to stay with the Rochester Senior Center's Flamingo Bingo, and move with them to the Elks Club in March. The MN Gambling Board still needs to approve the new location. There will be limited storage space at the Elks. There will be room for our banners, and flag, and possibly our podium, but not our storage cabinet.

The Rochester Sun Risers Kiwanis club has decided to sponsor the John Marshall Key Club. They are currently taking fifty percent of the financial responsibility for our Century Key Club, and we are now losing their support. The Day Maker budget will need to be revised to handle this additional expense, currently budgeted at \$3,500 with the Sun Risers picking up half (\$1,750). There is also an issue with the Century High School Student of the Month, which has been handled by the Sun Risers. The Youth Committee is working these issues. The question was raised whether or not the Rochester Golden K sponsor any SLP's.

Dick Odell will investigate the Downtown Kiwanis Club's Web Site sharing ideas proposed by Al Lun of the Downtown Club.

The board discussed the change in Diane Johnson's work schedule and impact on her Day Maker leadership roles. A replacement will be needed to fill her officer (VP2) and committee chair position. President Cook and the board are working to resolve this issue.

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#### **Kiwanis Mission Statement:**

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to *improving* the world one child and one community at a time.

## Sec/Treasureer's Report: continued

The board discussed possible ways to help our non-driving members get to meetings, stay active in the club, and involved in service projects. The Human & Spiritual Values Committee is in the process of creating a list of those who need rides (seasonally and year round) and those members willing to be drivers.

The Kiwanis Chili Feed to support the Rochester Senior Center will be held on March 1, 2014. It is the Day Makers turn to head up the effort this year with the other Rochester clubs supporting. Jack Zierdt will lead the effort for the Day Makers.

Kiwanis One Day Project for the current Kiwanis year will again be Food For Kidz – Food Packing in Stewartville. Our Service Budget will not support the required monetary donation, but we can support the project with volunteers. Members will be asked to contribute both time and individual funding.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership** – The committee will meet on Thursday. They will discuss how to help members who can no longer drive to meetings. It will be announced at a club meeting our membership status, and how many new members are needed by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Program- Currently** One program for February, and one for March have been scheduled.

**Operations-** The committee will look at monthly Service Income and Service Expenses.

**Public Relations-** The committee will investigate the Lions Club commercials that are currently running on TV. Can Kiwanis do the same?

**Human & Spiritual Values-** The committee is working on the issue of non-driving members, and is tracking meeting attendance.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

## **KI Convention Theme:** What More Can I Do?

Let us remember the number of lives we intend to do with our Model Club Pledge, i.e. save 39,000 mothers and babies with our club MNT Eliminate project. As we enter our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of our 5 year pledge we need to stay focused on the remaining 26,200 babies and their mothers, who are still counting on our commitment.

So please answer for yourself, "What More Can I Do?"

Dick Odell

### **Real Doctor Story:**

Today's Humor

During a patient's two week follow-up appointment with his cardiologist, he informed me, his doctor, that he was having trouble with one of his medications.

'Which one?'. .. . I asked.

'The patch.' ... he said.

'The Nurse told me to put on a new one every six hours and now I'm running out of places to put it!'

I check him out and, yes, the man had over fifty patches on his body!

Now, the instructions include *removal of the old patch before applying a new one*.

Submitted by Dr. Rebecca St. Clair, Norfolk, VA



#### **Destination Rochesterfest:**

Our very own Kathy Davis is the Chair Person for the Rochester Community Rochesterfest grand event this summer.



Kathy and her committee announced on KTTC TV the slogan for the event and the request for submission of designs for the event buttons. Get your designs in early. \$500 prize for the winning design! The slogan is,

**Dick Odell** 

## **Reading Program-Action 100:**

Every Thursday, Day Makers Al Southwick and Bruce Jawer report to Megan Lund's 3rd grade class at Franklin Elementary School to work on the Action 100 program.



Action 100 is a program for elementary school kids to increase their reading skills. The kids can earn a "step" for each 15 minute period they read from Action 100 approved books, geared to their individual skill level.

We listen to kids reading one-on-one, helping them with difficult words and question them on what they read.



We, their teachers, and their parents sign off for each 15 minute period. For each 100 steps, kids receive a pendant, marking their progress. The most prolific readers will set a goal of 1000 steps for the school year, and wear 10 medallions. Right now most kids have earned about 300-400 steps.

Al Southwick

## **Bakers Square North Benefit Night:**

Tuesday, February 25, is our next scheduled night for the Bakers Square Benefit Night.

Remember that our club will get 10% of all the restaurant sales during that time frame!! This fundraiser will help put funds in our club's Service Account.

Judy Zierdt

"Your Destination Rochesterfest."

## **Kiwanis Chili Feed:**

March 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

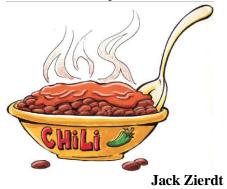
The Rochester Kiwanis Clubs will sponsor the annual Chili Feed at the Rochester Senior Center from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

Tickets will be \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 5 – 12 with children under 5 free. All proceeds benefit the Rochester Senior Center.

The Day Makers are the host club this year, so we are asked to furnish the Crew Boss and Head Waiter for each of the four shifts. Our club, along with the UMR Circle K, is being asked to furnish 35 workers during the day.

We will have tickets available for sale and posters to distribute at our meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2014.

See Jack Zierdt for more details, volunteering to work, and tickets to sell as well as posters to distribute.



What is a Grandparent? (Written by a class of 8-year-olds)

Grandparents don't have to do anything except be there when we come to see them They are so old they shouldn't play hard or run.

When they take us for walks, they slow down past things like pretty leaves and caterpillars.

When they read to us, they don't skip. They don't mind if we ask for the same story over again.

Everybody should try to have a grandmother, especially if you don't have television because they are the only grownups who like to spend time with us.

They know we should have a snack time before bed time, and they say prayers with us and kiss us even when we've been bad.

Grandpa is the smartest man on earth! He teaches me good things, but I don't get to see him enough to get as smart as him!

**President Corner:** 

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- Chili Feed at Rochester Senior Center
   http://www.rochesterseniorcenter.org : March
   1st, 11 am-7 pm Adults: \$7, Kids: \$3, Under .5 eat
   FREE. Clipboard volunteer signup sheets will be
   available soon. Jack Zierdt is our Day Maker
   contact.
- Food for Kidz Representative: The annual Food for Kids "food packaging" day will be held Sat April 5<sup>th</sup> at Stewartville Community Center, from 10 AM through 4 PM. Day Makers are being asked to contribute a significant amount of money (for food purchases) by March 28 and volunteer for two-hour shifts on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Day Makers need a club focal point to work with the Stewartville Kiwanis club. Mary Brouillard is our Stewartville Kiwanian contact.
- Background checks for Kiwanians working with children: Kiwanis International is directing this to happen in the near future. During the January 21<sup>st</sup> Rochester, Stewartville, Spring Valley, Lake City, Red Wing Kiwanis clubs dinner meeting, Rochester's Randy Schmidt and Lyle Solem presented what their club is doing in this area, first focusing on SLP advisors. In the near future we plan to have Randy and/or Lyle lead a Day Makers program on this subject, so we can get the process started in the most efficient manner.
- KTTC-TV "Rochester Kiwanis ad" meeting: Dick Odell brought to the board's attention an outstanding Lions Club "TV Ad" now showing on KCCT-TV. Dick, Bob Nowicki, and I have met once with a KTTC-TV representatives and discussed possibilities for a similar Rochester area Kiwanis TV ad. A KTTC-TV representative is doing a set of possible options and costs for 1-3 Public Service Ads. We await the results of KTTC-TV's "estimates."
- ELIMINATE fund raisers: We need some brainstorming to come up with some worthwhile activities to increase our funds. We have had some recent Zeller Fellowship Awards as significant contributions and have a few more "in the works." We also need some other efforts as Day Maker club members.

I close with thanking you all for persevering with cold weather conditions. I am so looking forward to our February 12<sup>th</sup> trip to Chanhassen!

Jim Cook, President