

# **Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club**

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Senior Center Use Senior Center Parking Lot

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

# Newsletter for March 2008

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



OFFICERS	
President	Phyllis Jacobs
Imm. Past Pres.	Richard Hall
Pres. Elect	Marie Alexander
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	LeRoy Larson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	Joanne Markee

Joanne Markee Dick Lundberg

**DIRECTORS** (3 yr terms) Frank Nichols 2008 Jim Morton 2009 2009 Ken Reding 2010 Jerry Steinke Judy Lien 2010

**CHAIRS & Meeting Dates** 1st Thursday 9am Membership LeRoy Larson 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Program Marie Alexander 1st Tuesday Youth Services Steinke/Wade 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Community Services Joanne Markee 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Dallas Glaser Human & Spiritual Values 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Young Children Priority One Larry Scilley 1st Tuesday Operations Richard Hall Public Relations Herb Erickson

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

Secretary/Treasurer

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

## **Program Schedule:**

Mar 04 Saturday Noon Meals, Linda Curtis

Mar 11 Salvation Army CV Apartments, Shelli Loge

Mar 18 Feeding the Children International, Zanti

Mar 25 Alzheimer's DVD, Merle and Jean Dunn

## **Hockey Festival:**

Be sure and take a look at the tremendous results of the Kiwanis / Wells Fargo Hockey Festival at the web site: http://kiwaniswellsfargohockev.com

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

**April 5<sup>th</sup>:** Kiwanis One Day. All our local clubs will be participating in the Feeding the Children Int'l food packing in Stewartville.

April 29<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm: CCRR Family Fun Night at Graham Arena

June 26-29<sup>th</sup>: Kiwanis International Convention in Orlando, Fla. Richard Lundberg will have registration material very soon.

#### **Presidents' Corner:**

One of the highlights of our February was Charter Night at the K-Kids meeting on Feb 12 at Riverside School. Members of the club and their families along with several Day Makers, the assistant principal and our coordinator Sue Thalacker were joined by our District K-Kids Administrator, Dawn Fairbrother and her husband, from Owatonna. Al Strom and Jack Zierdt participated in the ceremony that introduced their officers and we gave them a banner that will hang in their hallway. I accepted a banner patch presented to the sponsoring Kiwanis club. Judy Lien showed a collection of pictures of their activities thus far on a Power Point presentation. Cake and punch and congratulations all the way around!

The Hockey Festival Celebration Luncheon at West Kiwanis noon meeting on Feb 26 gave us a chance to see the money raised by the festival distributed to the youth groups in Rochester that are very deserving of our help. They all had needs that will be met or partially so by this gift to them. Many hours of work by the Day Makers will earn us a part of the funds designated to come back to the clubs. Thanks to all our members that participated. Any members that would like to help with planning for next year's event should speak up soon as the preparatory work begins now for the December 2008 Hockey Festival.

Jerry Kratz and Judy Lien handled ticket sales for the annual Chili Feed on March 1 that benefits the Senior Center and we will soon have a report on the results of this effort. This also takes active participation by our members working with the other clubs.

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# **March Anniversaries**

28 Larry & Kathleen Krob

# **March Birthdays**

- 22 Dick Hall
- 23 Bev Livesay
- **Bob Wenner**

## Secretary/Treasurers Report – Jan'08

 Bank Balance 1/31/08:
 \$ 20,126.71

 Administrative Account:
 \$ 16,632.81

 Service Account:
 \$ 3,314.30

 Hockey/YCPO:
 \$ 99.60

 Bike Repair:
 \$ 80.00

**Day Makers on leave:** Merlyn Jeche, Ron King, Sara King, Ken Reding, Rosalie Rusovick, Bob Wenner, Jack Zierdt, Judy Zierdt

**January Service Hour Statistics:** 1,223 hours by 55 members, 68% Participation.

The board accepted the recommendations of the appointed committee for distributions from the Service Account as follows:

Channel One	\$300
IDD	500
Interfaith Hospitality Network	250
Olmsted County History Center	100
Quarry Hill Nature Center	200
Salvation Army of Rochester	250
CCR&R	300
Feeding the Children Intl.	350
Christmas Anonymous	200
Honors Choir	50
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Total	\$2,500

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# **Human and Spiritual Values Committee:**

Your Human and Spiritual Values Committee brings you greetings, and gratitude. We have circulated forms asking for volunteers to provide invocations at out meetings. The speed with which you filled every slot through June has been heart warming.

All too often we seem to be "trained" to think that, somehow, invocations led by a "professional" are to be preferred. Anyone listening to our "regular" members has to come away convinced that all humans are truly invited to "invoke" our creator, and will be supported by him. The creator, having seen already what is in our hearts, asks only that we honor and acknowledge him. The words spoken aloud are for other humans, helping to draw us together in common purpose -- yet also for our creator, keeping his role always visible. Thanks again.

Dallas Glaser

On April 5<sup>th</sup>, we will participate in the Feeding the Children International food packing project in Stewartville. This may be our sub-region project for the year.

Dick Odell requests that a list of upcoming events and dates be provided, each month, as input to our award winning newsletter.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership-** Committee is meeting this week

**Program-** Speakers schedule is filling up nicely. We need someone responsible for the AV equipment set-up. The speakers need to be reminded to repeat questions from the audience so that everyone will hear it.

Operations - The committee is attempting to schedule the Applebee's Fundraiser.

**Public Relations -** Chili Feed posters going out to the community.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** Invocation schedule is filled through June. The women's prison book project will be coming soon.

Youth Services- Accepting scholarship applications at Century HS. There will be Charter night at Riverside K-Kids one week from today. Members are looking at selecting a family for our adopt-a-family project. Jerry Steinke will divert our IDD salt can donations to Pennies-for-Peace during the month of February. Smoke House program is coming. We will be encouraging members to bring children's books for distribution to grade school students for their use during the summer.

**Interclub-** There will be an interclub at the Rochester Downtown Club this week.

Richard Lundberg, Treasurer

# **President Corner:** (continued)

Thanks to those of you who helped this year. It is usually fun besides being an opportunity to meet other Kiwanians. Dick Vrieze has been getting a good response to his request for books for the elementary children and will be glad to accept more.

Our Pennies for Peace collection will be combined with the money raised at Riverside School. This money is for the schools that Greg Mortenson (Three Cups of Tea) has made possible. Jerry Steinke will be giving us results.

Hopefully we will be leaving winter behind soon and watch spring approach!

**Phyllis** 

## **Charter Night for Riverside K-Kids:**

On Tuesday evening, February 18, the Riverside K-Kids Club became official. Dawn Fairbrother and her husband David, K-Kids administrators from the MnDak district of Kiwanis, presented the club charter and pins to the members.



Assistant principal, Chad Schroeder, represented Riverside Elementary along with Sue Thalacker, the school volunteer liaison who gave out official badges to the students.

Jack Zierdt installed the officers, Jerry Steinke presented the club poster, and Judy Lien led a review of the year using a power point of photos.





Several other Kiwanis Day Makers attended giving support to the new club. The importance and potential of the K-Kids Club was referred to by several participants in the program.



This impressed the K-Kids, almost as much as the cake shared by them and their family members at the end of the program. Judy Lien gave a presentation on what the club has done to date; Jerry Steinke represented Key Club and presented them with their official banner; and Dave Arlander took pictures of the event. There were several other members who attended also. Parents and students were invited to have cake and punch after the presentations.

Al Strom, K-Kids advisor

#### **Youth Services Committee:**

During the month of February, Rochester schools collected pennies for the *Pennies for Peace* project. *Pennies for Peace* helps children in the United States learn to share and work together to become members of a global family dedicated to peace through education. 100% of the money raised goes to support and promote community based education, especially for girls, in remote mountain regions of Pakistan and Afghanistan.

The Youth Services Committee sought and received permission from the DayMakers Board to seek support from our members for the Pennies for Peace project during the month of February. As usual, our membership responded in grand fashion by donating \$124 to the project! The money will be turned over to the K-Kids club at Riverside Elementary to be added to the other funds contributed by the children. Thanks to all of you for your generosity!

Jerry Steinke

#### **Web Thoughts:**

"People are like tea bags," according to a wise, old proverb. "You only know what's in them when they're in hot water."