

# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Rochester Elks Lodge 1091 Building, 1652 US Hwy 52, Rochester MN 55901

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## Newsletter for March 2017

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#### **OFFICERS**

President	Nowicki/Zierdt
Imm. Past Pres.	Joanne Markee
Pres. Elect	Shar Hain
1st Vice Pres.	TBD
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

<b>DIRECTORS</b> (3 yr	terms)
Bruce Jawer	2017
Kathy Davis	2018
Gene Mullenbach	2018
George Heyne	2019
Jim Schwinghammer	2019

Membership Program Youth Services Community Services Human & Spiritual Early Childhood Dev Funds Raising/PR Board Meeting Eliminate Project

#### **CHAIRS & Meeting Dates** $3^{rd}$ Thursday 9am Shar Hain 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10:15am Ella VanLaningham

Kathy Davis Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson Ruth Vrieze Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze Joanne Markee/Bob Nowicki 1st Tuesday Bob Nowicki 1st Tuesday, 10am Jack Zierdt, Herb Erickson

1st Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 8:30 am 3<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am

Historian: Bruce Keller Interclub: Roger Olson Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker

Pres.Advisor: Judy Zierdt, Joanne Markee Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell Im Past Lt Gov Div 7: Dick Odell

## **Program Schedule:**

03/07 Rochester Demographics, Jeff Ellersbusch Dick Hall

03/14 Founding of St Marys Hospital, Bob Nowicki, Bob Nowicki

03/21 Community Food Response-New Directions, Beth Kosta, Phyllis Beery

03/28 Eliminate M/NT Celebration Herb Erickson. Bob Nowicki, Jack Zierdt

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

Mar 4<sup>th</sup> – Century Key Club Retreat

Mar 16<sup>th</sup> – Membership Committee, Perkins South http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg

**April 1**<sup>st</sup> – Kiwanis One Day – Food for Kidz, Stewartville Kiwanis

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** – Final IRS Tax Filing date

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

## **Thought for the Month:**

"I thought growing old ..... Would take longer!"

**Dave Moehnke** 

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

February sure flew by fast. It's already March and we're entering 6 months into our Kiwanis year. They say that time flies when you're having fun, and thanks to you Day Makers, our time is flying by at almost the speed of light! We enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Chanhassen Theater to see Camelot, thanks to the organizational skill of Joanne Markee. What an excellent production. To see the costuming was worth the trip.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Gage Elementary School Reading Oasis come to life. Working together to solve the puzzle on assembling the shelving was an experience in itself. The ribbon cutting ceremony on February 7th was really a blast. We had Mayor Brede, a representative from Scholastic Books, Lt. Gov. Randy Schmidt, the Gage Principal and staff, our club members and, most importantly, some of the kids who will benefit from this program.

**Gage Elementary School** 



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## **March Birthdays:**

7	Jim Cook	23	Bev Livesay
16	Eric Skuldt	29	Bob Wenner
22	Dick Hall	30	Greg Hain

#### **March Anniversaries:**

Larry & Kathleen Krob

#### Secretary/Treasurer's Report – 02/14/2017:

 Bank Balance 1/31/2017:
 \$7,984.97

 Bike Repair Fund:
 \$ 208.20

 Charitable Account
 \$ 161.03

 Administrative Fund:
 \$4,068.10

 Service Fund:
 \$3,547.64

Members on Leave: Don Cain, Ron King, Sara King, Larry Krob, Tom Lemke, Judy Lien, Bob Mayhew, Connie Mayhew, Curt Pearson, Bill Schneider, Peter Schuh

**January Service Hour Statistics:** 534 hours by 41 members, 65% Participation.

## **January 2017 Board Meeting Summary**

A First Vice-President needs to be appointed to replace Peter Schuh.

The Assistant Principal at Gage School has expressed interest in Terrific Kids. Jack Zierdt will follow-up

#### **Committee Reports**

Community Service- Their meeting was cancelled due to a snowstorm. There is talk of a second location for Community Food Response (CFR). Suggest a meeting program on CFR. Christmas Anonymous has a new President: Steve Steele. A sign-up for Saturday Noon Meals is available.

**Early Childhood Development-** The Ribbon Cutting for the Gage School Reading Oasis has been completed, now recruiting volunteers to read with the children. Seeking additional books.

**Membership-** Membership information will be emailed to prospect Wayne Harvey.

**Fund Raising-** The planning for the Rochester Fest Golf Ball Drop Fund-Raiser will be kicked off when the Vireze's return from leave. Herb Erickson is requesting a member to replace him as chair of the Herberger Coupon Book Fund Raiser. The committee has decided to only participate in the spring sale, and drop the fall sale, so once per year.

**Program-** Programs are filled for March, now working on April. The March 14 program will on Mayo Clinic Heritage Films

**Public Relations**- The March 28 meeting will celebrate out completion of the Eliminate Program.

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## **Secy/Treas Report (Continued):**

**Strategic Planning-** The February 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting Program will be a review of the Club Self Assessment that club members completed earlier.

**Youth Services-** The Century Key Club will have their retreat in March.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

**Presidents' Corner:** (from page 1)

Clifford the dog that reads.....also participated.



Winter-Spring visited us again this year. Can't wait to see what March will bring.

Don't forget, those of you who are able, to check the signup sheets and to those of you who can't participate in our projects, thanks for supporting us with your presence at our meetings. Let us know if there's anything you'd like to or can do that we're missing so we can do our best to fix this.

We'll be discussing more on what we can do to improve our club based on our membership survey in the very near future so stay tuned!

Your Co-Presidents, **Bob Nowicki and Jack Zierdt** Co-Presidents 2016-2017

## **Kiwanis Defining Statement:**

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



## K-Kids Harriet Bishop Elementary:

The picture is of the 2016/17 Bishop K-Kids wearing their shirts provided by the Bishop PTSA. Advisors in the picture are Edie Schultze and Tracy McGuire.



As always, this group remains busy with projects for school and community. They recently held a penny war campaign to raise money for the Hugs For Hunter foundation and raised \$826.29. Hunter was a former Bishop student who died in a tragic accident and the money is used to provide Teddy Bears and blankets to siblings of children in the hospital.



They're currently working on "I love to read" month at the school and will man a photo booth where Bishop's kids can dress as their favorite Dr. Suess character.

Coming up, they will be collecting used Legos and will present them to the Boys and Girls Club. If anyone has any Legos they would like to donate, get them to Helen or myself, and we will bring them over.

Incidentally, you might ask Helen about her work with their school spirit committee.

Rick Johnson and Helen Kolb

## **Day Makers Chanhassen Trip:**

There were 46 theater-loving happy Kiwanians and friends in attendance at our annual trip to Chanhassen Theaters. We saw an amazing rendition of "Camelot", as well as dining on a delicious meal. A fun time was had by all (except Herb...who was a little under the weather...but still a trooper!) More to come on next year's production.

#### Joanne Markee

## Kiwanis "One Day"- Food for KIDZ Project Saturday, April 1, 2017

The Division 7 Southern Sub-Division has once again adopted "Food for KIDZ" as the Kiwanis "One Day" service activity. This will be the seventh year that all of the Kiwanis Clubs in our Sub-Division 7 will once again gather in Stewartville at the Civic Center from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM packing food. The Stewartville Kiwanis Club hosts this event for Kiwanians and members of the communities to come together as one big group doing service.

The goal this year is to package **120,000** meals between the hours of 10:00 and 4:00. Help that is needed, for this project, is to supply workers to package food, filling table supplies, heavier lifting and working to empty and filling the truck. There is, also, a financial goal of **\$18,000.00** to help finance the supplies that are used for packaging the food.

To reach these goals each Kiwanis Club is being asked to donate \$2,000.00 and furnish workers for each shift of the day. The sign-up sheet for working a shift of 2 hours is on the table with the clip-boards. If you can once again, as in the past years, help by donating some dollars to help us reach our clubs \$2,000.00 donation, please make out a check (payable to Food for KIDZ) or cash will be accepted, and give it to Bruce Jawer or Jack Zierdt at one of our meetings no later than March 21st.

If you have any further questions regarding this service project, please contact Bruce Jawer or Jack Zierdt. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile project.

#### Jack Zierdt

## **Christmas Anonymous 2017:** final notes

A few items of interest were brought up at the February Board meeting:

- First, Steve Steele will be the new president and Brad Brech will remain as a presidential advisor.
- Secondly, John Marshall High School, raised and donated \$31,671.31 for the coming year.
- Thirdly, which most affects us is that John Grabau and Les who have driven the U-Haul trucks we rent have both decided to step down after 16 years each.

If you see them, please thank them for them for their past help. This also requires we find a driver or drivers for next year to drive the 26' U-Haul.

#### Rick Johnson

## Day Makers Making a Difference:

## George F. Hixson Fellowship - Jim Cook

Congratulations Jim Cook on being awarded a Hixson Fellowship designated to the Kiwanis Eliminate Maternal/NeoNatal Tetanus fund.



Jim always knows the answer to the question, "What More Can I Do?"

Jim Cook (past DM President) is well known for his years of service by participating in fundraising with Herberger's, Pizza Ranch, his many service hours at Reading Oasis, Reading Program at Pinewood Elem, and his commitment to "altruistic service" with the Hixson Fellowship award. He is definitely a, "I can do that!" Kiwanian. Jim has previously funded a Walter Zeller Fellowship.

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