

# **Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club**

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

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Newsletter for **April 2005** 



#### **OFFICERS**

President Ella VanLaningham Imm. Past Pres. Marv Anderson Pres. Elect Al Strom 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. Dick Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres. Phyllis Jacobs Secretary/Treasurer Dick Lundberg

#### **DIRECTORS** (3 yr terms) John Braddock 2006 Tom Lemke 2007

 Tom Lemke
 2007

 Larry Mason
 2005

 Marlys McCoy
 2006

 Al Southwick
 2007

### **CHAIRS & Meeting Dates**

Membership	Dick Hall	Last Friday Breakfast
Program	Al Strom	1st Tuesday
Youth Services	Rosalie Rusovick	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Community Services	Marie Alexander	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Human & Spiritual Values	Frank Nichols	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday
Young Children Priority One	Larry Scilley	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
Operations	Mary Anderson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

### Historian: Bruce Keller Interclub: Herb Erickson Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Looft IDD: Phyllis Jacobs

Publicity: Tom Lemke
Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Regional Rep: Zanti Squillace
Pres. Advisor: Pat Horlocker

## **Program Schedule**

**April 05 Kiwanis Foundation**, Jack Zierdt

**April 12 Religion in Rochester Schools**, Jerry Williams, Superintendant of Schools

**April 19 Weather Forecasting**, Randy Brock – KTTC/FOX

April 26 Special Olympics, Greg Hostetter

May 03 Rochester Sports Commission, Ed Hruska

### **Day Maker Web Site**

Check it out at: <a href="http://www.kiwanisrochester.org">http://www.kiwanisrochester.org</a>

Dick Odell, web editor

## **April Birthdays**

5	Larry Segar
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- 6 Rosalie Rusovick
- 10 Frank Nichols
- 11 Joyce Hart
- 13 Ron King
- 16 Roger Olson
- 23 Susan Ricketts

## **April Anniversaries**

12 Bob & Pat Wenner

29 George & Carolyn Heyne

### President's Corner

Well, I am off to Costa Rica, leaving our club in the capable hands of Al Strom and Dick Hall. Thank you to them for pinch-hitting.

Good news from Marv who says "hi"! He does not need a procedure done on his heart and is getting used to his restrictive renal diet. Elaine moved home from respite care and he feels good about having her home again." Their target is to leave for Rochester at the end of March. We'll be glad to have them back here again — welcome home!

Our Chili Feed was a success – thanks to all of you (which is most of you) who helped by buying/selling tickets and working on that day and to Marie Alexander who was our club's coordinator. Many thanks also to Fred Buechler who rounded up volunteers for our annual Terrific Kids programs and Larry Krob who headed up our club's participation in the annual five-day Daffodil Sales program. In total, 30 Day Makers took responsibility for all the Daffodil Sale shifts at HvVee North and collected over \$2000 for the American Cancer Society. A pat on the back as well for all of you who sign up month-in and month-out for American Red Cross mailings led by Phyllis Jacobs, MAC/NAPs packing twice a month at Channel One led by Marlys McCov, library hosting led by Bob Sande. Community Food Response driving, sorting and distribution led by Marie Alexander, Friday noon hour assistance for Interfaith Hospitality Network, and a full week of driving for Meals-on-Wheels. And, of course, those tax preparers in the Tax-Aide program have put in a multitude of hours already.

I am so proud of our club for the amazing amount of assistance we provide to community organizations as (partially) listed above and also for our participation in Kiwanis International's Read Around the World project, January through March 2005. For the latter, we continued our weekly involvement in the Pinewood Elementary Homework Club, with reading and other subjects, and began a new initiative reading to second graders.

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# Secretary/Treasurers Report – March '05

 Bank Balance 2/28/05:
 \$ 13,477.35

 Administrative Account:
 \$ 12,105.09

 Service Account:
 \$ 808.80

 Hockey/YCPO:
 \$ 402.04

 Bike Repair:
 \$ 161.42

Day Makers on leave: Merlyn Jeche, Craig Martens, David Truxal

## March 8, 2005 Board Meeting Highlights:

Zanti Squillace has been appointed Club Representative and will coordinate articles to be included in the Minnekotan. Zanti will also provide hardcopies of the Minnekotan to members who request them.

President Ella thanked Bruce Keller for his work as Historian.

Phyllis Jacobs will continue as IDD coordinator, and Herb Erickson will assume Interclub Chair.

Carolyn Heyne will chair the nominating committee. Schedule will be: nominations due from committee on April 12, nominations from the floor on April 19, and election on May 3.

The board discussed the playground being planned at Soldiers Field as our joint project for the five Rochester Kiwanis Clubs. Labor has been requested for the five day construction period in May. The board approved doing the Soldiers Field playground construction as our joint spring project. The board also ok'ed circulating a fundraising request for the playground.

President Ella asked the board about the clubs possible participation in the Century HS Young Democrats' Youth Empowerment Project - city wide book drive to stock a children's library in the slums of Nairobi, Kenya. Ella will attempt to get a five minute informational talk on this at a club meeting.

Our International Convention delegates and alternates need to be named soon. Ella VanLaningham, Al Southwick, Ron King, and Sara King are planning to attend.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership-** Our current membership is 82

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**Program-** Programs are scheduled through May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Committee is planning to do a club evaluation possibly combined with a history of the club. Al asked board if a program on Social Security would be appropriate since the committee has a couple of possible presenters.

**Community Service-** Committee is hoping for good participation from our club in Stewartville's Feed the Children project on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** The committee collected books twice (last meeting in January and last meeting in February) for Women in Prison. Will end for now and see if we want to continue later.

**YCPO-** Souper Bowl Saturday completed. Next event is Family Fun Night on April 19<sup>th</sup>. Our club will move tables and chairs again. Parent/Child Fair is coming up in June at Rochesterfest.

**Youth Services-** Jerry Steinkie and LeRoy Larson are evaluating applications for the Century HS scholarship. Ella will present the scholarship at the Century HS honors night.

Richard Lundberg Secretary/Treasurer

**President's Corners:** (Cont from page 1)

In addition, we helped in the Lunch Buddies portion of a new program at Jefferson Elementary, Read at Home – Read Around the World. It is so satisfying (and fun!) to work with these youngsters – especially rewarding that they are so excited to see us. I received a lovely hand-designed thank-you note from my students, who just beamed when they gave it to me.

You rock, Kiwanians!! Ella

### **Kiwanis Read Around the World Project:**

As part of Kiwanis International's *Read Around the World* project, January - March 2005, our Rochester Day Makers joined in a new initiative at Jefferson Elementary School in Rochester, Minnesota, entitled (coincidentally) *Read at Home - Read Around the World*. The program encourages the students to read at home and provides forms necessary to record book report information and time spent, as well as offering facts about the United States and other countries of the world.

Our volunteers participated in the portion of the program titled *Lunch Buddies*. This program provides students the opportunity to read with community volunteers on a weekly basis during the lunch hour recess throughout the cold winter months, January - March. (next page  $\rightarrow$ )

## **Kiwanis Read Around the World Project: (continued from page 2)**

The goals are to increase the time spent reading outside of the classroom by students "at risk", to kindle a life-long enthusiasm for books in the students, to foster community awareness of educational challenges, and to develop community bonds across economic, linguistic, generational and cultural boundaries.

Several years ago Kiwanis Rochester Day Makers started volunteering in the after-school program at Pinewood Elementary School in Rochester. In that program Kiwanians work with children selected by the teachers. We help with reading and math. About 20-25 children are involved from Monday through Thursday afternoons. Those involved are Pat Horlocker, Carolyn Heyne, Dallas Glaser, Ray and Sue Ricketts and Larry Mason.

This year Roxanne Nauman, the school principal, started a reading program with second graders during the school day, an hour in the morning and a half-hour in the early afternoon. Kiwanians read to the children and occasionally the children read to the Kiwanians. The books are chosen by the second grade teachers: Jeff Newkirk and Paula Winter. We hope to involved move Kiwanians in the Fall because reading to young children is so important to their growth in the ability to read.

Larry Mason and Ella VanLaningham



Dallas Glaser at Pinewood School, Mar'05



Larry Masson at Pinewood School, Mar'05



Ray Ricketts at Pinewood School, Mar'05



Susan Ricketts at Pinewood, Mar'05



Ella VanLaningham at Jefferson School