

# **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: <a href="http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org">http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org</a>

# Newsletter for **April 2021**

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DAY MAKERS KIWANIS

IN - PERSON MEETINGS

APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup> AND 20<sup>TH</sup> AND REMOTE ZOOMS AVAIL

# **OFFICERS**

President Imm. Past Pres. Jim Schwinghammer Pres. Elect 1st Vice Pres. Open Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt

**DIRECTORS** (3 yr terms) Kathy Davis Dave Bhaskaran 2021 Garry Post 2021 Bruce Keller 2022 Larry Scilley 2022 Jim Decker 2023

Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell

Jack Zierdt

Pres.Advisor:

Membership Program Youth Services Community Services Human & Spiritual Early Childhood Dev Operations/Fund Raising Board Meeting

**Chairs & Meeting Dates** Jim Schwinghammer Larry Segar Helen Kolb, Ken Redding Rick Johnson Ruth Vrieze Larry Scilley Jim Schwinghammer Kathy Davis Jim Cook

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am 1st Tuesday, 10:15am 4th Tuesday 3rd Tuesday, 8:30 am

3<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am 4th Tuesday 1st Tuesday

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am

Interclub: Herb Erickson Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker

Historian: Bruce Keller

# **Program Schedule:**

# ...Special Notice ...

Our board of directors let us know we can resume in-person meetings. Two meetings are at 9am Elk's. The meetings, April 6th and 20th are booked for In-Person and will also be shown via Zoom Meeting software, see details below.

- 04/06 Rochester Public School Update, John Carlson Exec Dir of Finance, Bob Nowicki
- 4/20 Benefits of Music, Tessa Sawchuk, Ella VanLaningham

Keep in touch via email or phone and stay safe.

#### Baby, Was Cold Outside: Feb 2021 -20 degrees



Boiling Water Becomes Instant Ice Crystals

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

Strategic Planning

Spring Greetings to All,

Yes, it's April and that means one thing! Kiwanis Day Makers are going to start meeting in person. (2). Our first meeting will be Tuesday, April 6th at 9:00 am at the Elks Club. Now we will also being zooming for those of you who cannot attend. Our meeting space will be socially distance apart but it is still good to ha e had your shots. (2). I can't wait to see all of you !!!!!

Hopefully you have on your calendar our Plant & Treasures Sale. This sale will be on Friday May 21st and Saturday May 22nd at 2220 VAlkyrie Dr NW, (my house). So hopefully you are saving some treasures and have some plants for us.

Following our April 6th meeting we will be applying stickers to the books we received from SMIF in preparation to distributing books to children in our local preschools and elementary schools. Thank you Garry Post for designing the stickers and getting them printed.

A request has been issued from our program committee in their need in helping to find speakers for our meetings. We do have speakers for our meetings through the first meeting in June, but we need speaker ideas for the rest of the summer.

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# **April Birthdays:**

- 05 Larry Segar
- 11 Becky Hopson
- 16 Rodger Olson

# **April Anniversaries:**

- 29 Carolyn and George Heyne
- 29 Rick and Sue Johnson

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## **Treasurer's Report – 03/29/2021**

 Accounts Balance 03/29/2021:
 \$ 24,714.39

 Administrative Account
 \$ 4,327.02

 Service Account
 \$ 12,841.59

 Charitable Account
 \$ 7,545.78

Total Membership 46

"K" Dollars Total \$ 254.00

as of 03/29/2021

Children's Fund: Amazon Smile Program

When you shop this winter, remember the Amazon Smile Program for boosting our fundraising projects.

https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F

Same products, same prices, same service. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases.

What a good fundraising opportunity for our Kiwanis Clubs. Check it out at the web site shown above.

#### Herb Erickson and Dick Odell

# **Day Makers ZOOM Meetings:**

Time: Apr 6, 2021 09:00 AM Central Time

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86556456813?pwd=dmVaQ0 JreXdFWncxL0txVExUR0NaUT09

Meeting ID: 865 5645 6813

Passcode: goblue

Time: Apr 20, 2021 09:00 AM Central Time

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89001265472?pwd=a2p6NV VudnZFVFhOYk9teTl0M2RGOT09

Meeting ID: 890 0126 5472

Passcode: goblue

#### David Bhaskaran

# Today's Humor: Aging

- \* Just once, I want a user name and password prompt to say: "close enough."
- \* I'm a multitasker. I can listen, ignore and forget all at the same time!
- \* People who wonder if the glass is half empty or half full miss the point. The glass is refillable.
- \* Retired: under new management. See spouse for details.
- \* When you can't find the sunshine . . . be the sunshine.
- \* I thought growing old would take longer.

#### Dick Odell

**Board of Directors Meeting:** March 9, 2021

Kathy called the ZOOM Board meeting to order at 10:07 AM

**Board Members/Committee Chairs Present:** Jack Zierdt, Dave Bhaskaran, Jim Cook, Garry Post, Kathy Davis, Bruce Keller, Jim Decker, Rick Johnson, Larry Scilley, Jim Schwinghammer, Ruth Vrieze

**Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent:** Larry Segar, Ken Reding, Helen Kolb,

**Others Present:** None

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u> It was moved Dave Bhaskaran and seconded by Jim Schwinghammer to approve the Agenda as sent out. **Approved** 

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Dave Bhaskaran moved, and Jim Cook seconded to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2021 Board Meeting. **Approved** 

Dave Bhaskaran moved, and Kathy Davis seconded approval of the Special Board Meeting of March 2, 2021. **Approved** 

Treasurer's Report as of February 6, 2021: The printed report was sent out to all board members preceding the meeting. Following discussion, it was decided that the board members would receive a copy of the Transaction Detail for the Administrative and Charitable Checking on a quarterly basis. **Report was Accepted.** 

We will meet in person, and via Zoom for those not wanting to attend, at the Elks Club Meeting Room on April 6<sup>th</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 AM. Board Meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup> will be held via Zoom at 10:00 AM.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Board acting as the nominating committee is still in need of someone to be our President for the 2021-2022 Kiwanis Year. The Board accepted Linda Rouhoff's offer to serve as President-Elect for the 2021-2022 year and become president in the 2022-2023 year and is placing her name in nomination for election by the membership. The nominating committee (Board) agreed to accept Dave Bhaskaran and Garry Post be elected to the Board of Directors for the next three (3) years through 2024. Our club elections will need to take place by May. As we come up with someone for President, we will publish that nomination to be elected by the club.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

A discussion was held regarding fund raising ideas for the Day Makers.

Kathy will host our Plants and Treasures Sale on May 22, 2021. Motion was made by Garry Post and Seconded by Ruth Vrieze. **Approved** 

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# **Kiwanis Day Makers Club Dues:**

April is the  $1^{st}$  month of the  $3^{rd}$  quarter of the Kiwanis year. Please send your check for the  $3^{rd}$  quarter dues to Jack.

The dues are as follows: Regular Membership \$45.00 @quarter; Spouse Membership \$25.00 @quarter and Life Membership \$35.00 @quarter.



Jack Zierdt DM Treasurer

**President's Corner**: (Continued from page 1)

I'm sure I'm forgetting some things for this letter but what we don't cover here we will at our meetings.

So in closing I want to wish you all a Happy Easter and I can't wait to see you on April 6th at 9:00 AM at the Elks.

Take care,

Kathy Davis, President.

### **Easter Bunny Winter's Over in Tucson AZ:**



**Dick Odell** 

#### **Minnesota Winter Is Almost Over:**

With Spring just around the corner, now is the time to get the last of the wintery roadway salt and sand off your car or truck.

# For Example:



Before and After Kwik Trip Wash



Keep your vehicle clean, fueled and carry extra goodies and a blanket .... You never know when you might need them in MN or be called to transport the Easter Bunny from Tucson, AZ north to MN.

## **Dick Odell**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:**

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The fundraising ideas, regarding script, in the last two Kiwanis International Magazines were discussed. It was decided that additional types of fund raising like this would not interfere with our already program of cards through KWIK Trip. It was moved by Jack Z and seconded by Dave Bhaskaran to have Jim Decker pursue other possible avenues of this type of fundraiser. **Approved** with Jim Schwinghammer offering to help Jim Decker if needed.

Since we have not been meeting in person and haven't had to pay weekly rent it was **Approved** on a motion by Dave Bhaskaran and seconded by Jim Decker that we transfer \$1,325.00, savings for the time from October1, through March, from the Administrative Checking Account to the Charitable Account for Scholarships. Also, a \$25.00 donation for "K Dollars" will be transferred from Administrative to the Charitable "K Dollars" budget line item.

It was announced that the annual Food for KIDZ program, held in Stewartville, will be October 23, 2021 to coincide with Kiwanis International One Day of Service. Put the date on your calendar. More information to follow as we get closer to the date. The crayons for Harriet Bishop Elementary, that were approved at the Special Board Meeting held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, have been ordered by Rick.

# **Community Services:**

Rick reported that at the present time, volunteering for some of our activities is in limbo, due to the pandemic. He will be having a committee meeting to discuss what our next steps will be.

#### Human and Spiritual:

Ruth reported that she had talked to Bev Livesay and she is doing fairly well.

# Membership:

Jim Schwinghammer will make a contact with Janet Cederholm regarding our club Scholarships to be offered this spring were discussed and it was decided to offer 2 \$1,000 scholarships to Century High School Key Club Seniors as we have done in past year. We will, also, offer 2 \$500 scholarships for students in need that will be attending RCTC. This was a new venture that we offered this past year.

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#### **BOD Meeting Continued:**

#### Program:

We are still in need of a program for April 20<sup>th</sup>. Otherwise we are scheduled through May. Ideas for future programs were discussed and Jim will be contacting the members of Program committee regarding making contacts for possible scheduling for future meetings.

#### Youth Services:

At this time we know that Harriet Bishop K-kids is meeting via Google Meets and will begin meeting in person. However, no visitors from the outside will be allowed yet. Century High School Key Club has been meeting online at least once a month and is in contact with Kiwanis International to get their dues paid and registered for this year.

# **Early Childhood Development:**

It was reported that Larry Scilley has 650 books from the SMIF early childhood reading program. At our April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Elks the books will be stamped and a possible insert sheet put in each book. Garry Post is exploring the making of making a sticker to place in each book, in place of the insert separate sheet.

# **Operations/Fund Raising:**

Jim Decker will pursue possible places for Script (Cards Fund Raising) along with the help of Jim Schwinghammer and other ideas for raising funds.

#### Strategic Planning:

Jim Cook reported that he is still tabulating the results of the club members survey. He will work on the plan for the future with others. Bottom line is we need to bring in some new members.

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 11:37 AM on a motion to adjourn by Jim Cook and second by Garry Post.

Jack Zierdt (Secy/Treas)

#### **Kiwanis Fundraising Statement:**

"Fund Raising"

Hello Day Makers. This is incredible opportunity..... I'm offering a special price on \$25.00 Kwik Trip gift cards.



I suggest you order early to take advantage of this opportunity. I anticipate getting more cards to handle the volume of orders. The streets are getting sloppy, so wash your car more often with car wash coupons that I have.

Herb Erickson

KwikTrip Car Wash/Gift Cards: Winter Almost Over!



Our club uses this opportunity as a fund raiser project.

Herb Erickson and Garry Post

### Do Not Forget to Send an Easter Card:



or the bunnies may come and eat your garden.....

# **Harriet Bishop K-Kids:**

Dearest Day Makers Kiwanis Club,

Thank you dearly for your generous donation regarding The Colors of the World Crayons. Our students love them and enjoy picking out a color that best matches their skin color when drawing pictures of themselves or others. When providing these crayons to classrooms, we wrote an optional lesson plan which could be used introducing the crayons. It can be found here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1sgtsDoHyKWr-">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1sgtsDoHyKWr-</a>

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It has been fun to watch the excitement of our students as they use the crayons. One of the goals in the Bishop site plan states that we will meet, understand and celebrate the diverse needs of our students. The crayons are one way, among many others, we can ensure students are feeling represented in their artwork. We are extremely luck to have the Kiwanis Club as a strong partner contributing to the success of our students.

With Gratitude,

Bishop Students, Staff and K Kids Leaders (Katie Schafer/ Jovan Kristo)

Katie A. Schafer Instructional Coach Bishop Elementary- Rochester Public Schools

Rick Johnson

# K-Dollar Challenge Fund Raising:

I will gladly collect your "K Dollars" whenever we meet once again as a club at the Elks. K-Dollars are readily available in SD/WY and at McDonalds Drive-up windows, even Mayo Clinic Parking Ramps. Just ask Farmer Dick Odell. Tucson dollars are also available.





The Kiwanis Children's Fund is a way of reaching children through grants, scholarship programs, and Kiwanis youth programs. This year we have received \$254.00 in "K-Dollars as of 03/29/2021.

Judy Zierdt

Keep your eyes open when shopping.

**Dick Odell**