



Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club
 Tues 9:00 A.M. at Charlie's Eatery, 1654 Hwy US-52
 Day Makers web at: <https://www.kiwanisrochester.org/index.htm>
 See MN-DAK District Site at: <https://k13.site.kiwanis.org/>

**DAYMAKERS
KIWANIS**



APRIL SHOWERS

Newsletter for April 2025

OFFICERS

President Becky Hopson
 Imm. Past Pres. Janet Cederholm
 Pres. Elect Rick Johnson
 1st Vice Pres.
 Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt

DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Bruce Keller 2025
 Larry Scilley 2025
 Jim Decker 2026
 Dave Bhaskaran 2027
 Garry Post 2027

Chairs & Meeting Dates

Operation/Fundraising	Jim Schwinghammer	1st Tuesday 8:35 am
Program	Jim Cook	1st Tuesday 10:05 am
Board Meeting	Becky Hopson	3rd Tuesday 10:05 am
Community Services	Rick Johnson	3rd Tuesday 8:35 am
Public Relations (PR)	Greg Hain	3rd Tuesday 10:05 am
Human and Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze	3rd Tuesday 10:05 am
Membership	Kathy Davis	3rd Thursday 9:00 am
Youth Services	Helen Kolb	4th Tuesday 8:35 am
Early Childhood	Dave Bhaskaran	4th Tuesday 10:05 am

Historian: Bruce Keller
 Interclub: Kathy Davis, Jack Zierdt
 Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker

Pres. Advisor: Kathy Davis
 Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell

Program Schedule:

...Special Notice ...

Five meetings in April at 9am at the Elk's. In-Person/Zoom meetings weekly, see details on page 2.

04/01 Funny Videos or Membership Overview, Jim Cook, Jim Cook

04/08 What's Going on at Mayo Clinic, Erin Sexton, Becky Hopson

04/15 An Artist and Publishing Books, Ann Riggott, Becky Hopson

04/22 OPEN -? Quarry Hill Park Development - Matt Lambert ?

04/29 OPEN

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Century Key Club:

Janet , Becky , Helen and I attended the Century Key Club meeting. We took out treats for them to celebrate **Key Club's 100th Anniversary.**



Kathy Davis

President's Corner:

April is Here, Hallelujah!

What can I say? I think everyone smiles when it's their birthday month. You feel young again celebrating a day just for you, even though you're a year older. My mother gave me my only party at age 5 that wasn't just family. She sewed me a dress that made me feel oh so special and treated me and my friends with an Easter egg hunt in our yard. Also, who can forget homemade cake and ice cream? May everyone have fond memories on their birthday! I am grateful that I'm still here and excited about each moment.

Did you know that April is National Volunteer Month? As I am writing, I don't have the March total of service hours put in by the Day Makers, but in February it was 292.5 hours by 19 members. Wow, wow, wow! Pinewood Reading, Tax Aide, and Meals on Wheels accumulated the most hours. Thanks to ALL of you for your volunteering. It means the world!

Find out how you can volunteer at Food for KIDZ in Stewartville on April 5. It is easy to get to, easy to do, and an easy way to feel good about yourself. See you there!

Earth Day is April 22, and Day Makers will participate in the Litter Bit Better campaign. Put on gloves, grab a bag, and get some easy walking in as we gather to pick up litter. Dave has all the information!

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April Birthdays:

05 Larry Segar
 11 Becky Hopson

April Anniversaries:

29 Carolyn and George Heyne
 29 Sue and Rick Johnson

Treasurer's Summary: March 31, 2025

Administrative Account	\$	6,050.64
Service Account	\$	(755.25)
Charitable Account	\$	14,410.93
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	\$	19,706.32

Total Membership on October 1, 2024:	37
Total Membership end of March 2025:	33

**"K" Dollars on March 31, 2025, is \$1,301.00
for the 2024 – 2025 Kiwanis Year**

KWIK Trip fund raiser for 2024 – 2025 Kiwanis Year:

Budgeted for expenses in 2024-2025 is:	\$10,000.00
Actual expenses through March 2025:	\$ 8,050.00
Budgeted for income in 2024-2025 is:	\$12,000.00
Actual income through March 2025:	\$ 6,772.50
Inventory of Cards on hand March 25 th :	\$ 5,190.00

Day Makers ZOOM Meetings: April

Time: Apr 1, 2025 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85086097755?pwd=Yv0bJ6VOI65KW245EIDq2l9xY4Kn6W.1>

Meeting ID: 850 8609 7755

Passcode: goblue

Time: Apr 8, 2025 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82780400241?pwd=pcXdzjJ0cSA1fiSiRZu9E9KEkgCtrp.1>

Meeting ID: 827 8040 0241

Passcode: goblue

Time: Apr 15, 2025 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83202437346?pwd=8vAr9ZasOp1cquWgNJfQ2aiajUW8C1.1>

Meeting ID: 832 0243 7346

Passcode: goblue

Time: Apr 22, 2025 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82836354184?pwd=GfklvMxnLyl3UtpHM7aw1xOeDAn2wD.1>

Meeting ID: 828 3635 4184

Passcode: goblue

Time: Apr 29, 2025 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86358810669?pwd=u9OQJkEyDUpwsmbv8xILbdZdSTynwQ.1>

Meeting ID: 863 5881 0669

Passcode: goblue

President's Corner: Continued from page 1

World Autism Day is April 2. Our speaker on April 15 will talk about her life with autism and share her art on our big screen in the meeting room. I can't wait!

You don't want to miss any of our speakers this month, including Erin from Mayo Clinic who will inform us of the construction going on at Mayo and the impact on the community. I found her on the news and reached out, so keep your feelers out on who you could possibly reach out to because we need and want more speakers. Why? It's not just a handful to find wonderful people who can share. It is ALL OF YOU! We learn so much! Invite others to come listen and have coffee and cookies.

Lastly, April is Stress Awareness Month. With all your volunteering and support you give don't forget to take care of yourself. Breathe deeply, have some fun, and maybe you can find a speaker who knows about stress and ways to help. That would be perfect and icing on the cake!



Becky Hopson, President

<https://www.kiwanisrochester.org/index.htm> - This is the access point to our web site.

BOD Minutes of the Meeting: March 18, 2025

Becky called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM.

Board Members/Committee Chairs Present: Becky Hopson, Rick Johnson, Janet Cederholm, Jack Zierdt, Jim Decker, Bruce Keller, Garry Post, Larry Scilley, Dave Bhaskaran, Jim Cook, Helen Kolb, Ruth Vrieze, and Jim Schwinghammer.

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent: Greg Hain, Kathy Davis,

Other Day Makers, Members Present: Sue Johnson

Approval of Agenda: Janet Cederholm moved to approve the agenda and seconded by Jim Decker.
Agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Larry Scilley made the motion to approve the minutes, of the meeting of February 11, 2025. Ruth Vrieze seconded the motion. **Minutes were Approved.**

It was moved by Helen Kolb and seconded by Jim Cook to approve the February 2025 monthly report to Kiwanis International. **Motion was approved.**

Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2025: The report was sent out to all board members in the packets before the meeting. Dave Bhaskaran moved to accept the report as presented and Larry Scilley seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business was discussed at this meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

An updated membership roster as of March 18, was included in the packet that was sent out for the meeting. It was stated that we have 34 members, but the roster only listed 33 names. Jack stated that Linda Ruhoff's name was left off the roster as she has resigned but had paid her dues through the end of March which gives us the number of 34.

The dates and locations for the Kiwanis International Convention and the Minnesota-Dakotas District Convention were listed on the agenda and mentioned during this portion of the meeting.

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BOD Minutes:

The Kiwanis International Convention will be held June 25 – 28, 2025 in Pittsburgh, PA.

The Minnesota-Dakotas Kiwanis District Convention will be held August 8 - 10, 2025 in Willmar, MN

NEW BUSINESS:

Dave Bhaskaran moved to move the Board Meeting dates to the third Tuesday of each month. Jim Schwinghammer seconded the motion. **The Motion was Approved.** (The reason for this change was to avoid conflict with another group that meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 11:00 AM in the meeting room.)

The date of the **April Board Meeting from the 8th to the 15th** had already been approved at the February board meeting.

Jim Decker mentioned that the second quarter audit would be held on Tuesday April 29th following our regular weekly meeting.

President Becky Hopson appointed Janet Cederholm, Jim Cook and Jack Zierdt as the nominating committee for developing a slate of officers for the 2025 – 2026 Kiwanis Year.

Elections will be held at our regular weekly meeting on May 20, 2025.

Positions that will be needed to be voted on for the 2025 – 2026 Officers will be:

President – Rick Johnson

President-Elect -

Past President – Becky Hopson

1st Vice President –

2nd Vice President –

Secretary/Treasurer – Jack Zierdt

Directors for 3 years through 2028

(Bruce Keller and Larry Scilley complete their terms in September 2025).

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BOD MINUTES OF MEETING: (Cont from p. 3)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Rick Johnson thanked everyone for everything that had been done in his absence. It was stated by Dave Bhaskaran that the Litter Bit Better pickup will be held on April 22nd following our weekly meeting during the Community Services Committee report.

Dave Bhaskaran during the report for the Early Childhood Development Committee stated that he has labeled books from the SMIF donation program and thanked Garry Post for supplying the labels. He stated that the Pinewood Reading Help Program is going well. It was stated that boxes of magnetic letters have been donated to this program.

Ruth Vrieze Human and Spiritual Aims Committee chairperson reported that she sent a sympathy card to Linda and Larry Rouhoff on the passing of Linda's sister. She sent a text to Shar and Greg Hain as they continue to rehab at home. Called Richard Severson as he has missed a few meetings. Sent a Thinking of You card to Richard Lundberg as he has missed a few meetings. This was the committee activity since our February Board meeting up to the present meeting.

In Kathy Davis absence it was reported that we need to continue working on getting new members during the Membership Committee report. We will be inducting a new member in April. Valerie Millen, former Kiwanis Member from Minot has made application to join our Day Makers Kiwanis Club.

In the Operations and Fund-Raising Committee report Jim Schwinghammer stated that he had no news on the Kiwanis Garage Sale. He, also, stated that a Rochester Honkers game is scheduled for June 10th.

Jim Cook Program Committee Chairperson state that we need programs in April on the 1st, 22nd and 29th. Dates in May and future meetings are also open. Please see Jim if you have ideas and can help him in scheduling programs.

Greg Hain was not present to make a Public Relations Committee report.

Helen Kolb stated that the Youth Services committee will meet on the 4th Tuesday March 25th at 8:35 AM. This will be the last committee meeting for the present school year. Kathy Davis, Janet Cederholm, Becky Hopson and Helen Kolb attended the Key Club meeting on Friday March 21st with a treat furnished by our club to help them celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Key Club.

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BOD MINUTES OF MEETING;

The committee is still working on getting the student of the month program sponsored by our Kiwanis Club established at Century High School.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:51AM by President Becky Hopson.

Submitted by:
Jack Zierdt, Secretary/Treasurer

K-Kids Riverside Elementary:

The two K Kids groups at Riverside Elementary are both busy doing lots of activities that help their school and the community.



Pictured here are some of our 5th grade K-Kids making toys for the dogs and cats at Paws and Claws.



Next month we'll have pictures of the 4th grade group doing one of their projects. Mrs Peterson and Mrs Faunce are doing amazing things with these kids to teach them, not only leadership, but respect for each other.

The wonderful badges Garry Post made for them are worn at each meeting and for school events. They get to keep them at the end of the year!

Helen Kolb and Audrey Crooks