

# **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: http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org

## Newsletter for **June 2019**

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OFFICERS	<b>DIRECTORS</b> (3 yr terms)			Chairs & Meeting Dates		
President Jim Schwinghammer	George Heyne	2019	Membership	Steve Panettta	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am	
Imm. Past Pres. Shar Hain	Larry Segar	2019	Program	Kathy Davis	1st Tuesday, 10:15am	
Pres. Elect Kathy Davis	Jim Decker	2020	Youth Services	Curt Pearson, Ken Reding	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. Open	Dave Bhaskaran	2021	Community Services	Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson	3rd Tuesday, 8:30 am	
Secretary/Treasurer Dick Lundberg	Gary Post	2021	Human & Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze	3 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am	
			Early Childhood Dev	Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze	4th Tuesday	
Historian: Bruce Keller Pres.Advisor Jack Zierdt		Operations/Fund Raisin	ng Shar Hain	1st Tuesday		
Interclub: Jack Zierdt Web/New	wsletter: Dick Odell		Board Meeting	Jim Schwinghammer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am	
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker			Strategic Planning	Jim Cook	-	

## **Program Schedule:**

6/4 City Administration Update, Steve Rymer. Bob Nowicki

6/11 Beekeeping, John Shonyo, Carolyn Heyne

6/18 Mayors update, Mayor Kim Norton, Bob Nowicki

6/25 Elder Law, Julianne Kocer, Larry Segar

#### Dates to Remember:

June 17th – Pizza Ranch Fund Raiser, Stewartville

June 25 - 29th - KI Convention, Orlando, Florida, Walt Disney World Resort Learn more by calling (407) 566-5600

July 30 - 25th Anniversary Party, Willow Creek

Aug 09 – 11th Kiwanis Mn-Dak District Convention, Fargo ND

#### **Kiwanis Children's Fund:**

Kids Need Kiwanis. Gifts to the Children's Fund **Learn more at:** 

http://www2.kiwanis.org/childrensfund/news/foundation/201 7/07/19/talking-about-the-kiwanis-children's-fund-newresources#.WXttnWyovs0

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

Thanks to Garry Post and Dick Odell for the informative and vibrant newsletter for May! We have a lot going on in June. On Wednesday the 12th from 5:00 to 8:00 the Sunrisers will be at Chick-fil-A for their fundraiser. All we have to do is show up for delicious food and the Sunrisers will receive 10% of the sales. Let's help them out and we can ask them to return the favor for our fundraiser at the Pizza Ranch in Stewartville, MN on Monday the 17th. We will need plenty of workers to clean tables and bus dishes. Your reward will be some of the best fried chicken and pizza in the area. In between these two events we have the Honker's baseball game and guess what, we get to eat more food. The write-up says "all you want" of your ballpark favorites. Along with your Kiwanis family you can enjoy the game between the Honkers and the St. Cloud Rox. The name comes from St. Cloud's affiliation with the granite industry and has been alive since I was a pup. At that time, St. Cloud was affiliated with the New York/San Francisco Giants and you could see major leaguers like Andre Rogers and Hall of Famer Orlando Cepeda. The talent won't be of the same caliber but hey it's still America's pastime. And we are not done yet! From the 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup>, RochesterFest will be in full swing. On the 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>, we need button sellers at the Farmer's Market. Here's a chance to raise funds for our club and enjoy fresh pastries and breads, vegetables, fruit and if you're a Norskie like me,

wonderful lefse like Grandma used to make.

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9 Larry Krob	3 Bob & Joan Nowicki 19 Larry & Gwen Scilley	
15 Don Cain	5 Mary & Elaine Anderson 20 Bruce & Theresa Keller	
	9 Bill & Donna Schneider 22 Jim & Barbara Decker	
	15 Larry & Gayle Segar 27 Ella & Glenn VanLaningham	
	18 Richard & Majel Hall	

## Secretary/Treasurer's Report – 05/14/2019

## **May Board Meeting Summary**

The board discussed doing a Reading Oasis/Reading Nook at Pinewood School. If approved, funding will have to be in the 2019/2020. We will have an off-site club meeting at Shorewood on July 16th.

The board again discussed using the clubs K\$ contribution to cover, or partially cover, our \$580 2018/2019 budget obligation for the Kiwanis Children's Fund. No action was taken.

The Nominating Committee has two nominees for 2019/2020 incoming Directors: Bruce Keller and Larry Scilley. The committee is continuing to recruit nominees for President Elect and Vice President.

The budget is on hold, nothing to report at this time. The budget will be available next month. (rjo)

The board discussed selecting delegates to the 2019 Minnesota-Dakotas District Convention to be held in Fargo August 9-11. At this time, Dick Odell, Jim Schwinghammer, Jack Zierdt, and Judy Zierdt plan to attend.

The Scholarship Committee has selected three outstanding Century High School Seniors to receive Day Maker Scholarships. Our current budget has specified two scholarships. The board voted to award three \$1,000 scholarships this year, since there are sufficient funds in the Charitable Account.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Community Service- The tax program is virtually done, just a few sessions left. Litter Bit Better went well. Special Olympics went well. Sign-ups are out for Rochester Fest.

Early Childhood Development- The committee thanks all who donated books, and Gary Post for creating bookmarks. More than 2,200 books were given out. More than 70 Pinewood School students were involved in the reading program. Gibbs School also had an active reading program. The committee wants to thank all Day Makers that were involved in the Reading Program this school year.

**Human & Spiritual Values-** Cards were sent to members who were unable to attend meetings in April.

**Membership-** The committee will meet on Thursday. The committee has a prospective member that would be a real

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

asset to the club. The committee would like to give this prospect a temporary break on dues for an incentive to join. The board voted to forgive this prospective member's dues for the first four quarters of his membership.

Operations/Social Media/Web Site/Fund Raising- Need four volunteers to help with the upcoming Plant Sale. Volunteers are also needed to sell Rochester Fest buttons at the Farmers Market.

**Program-** One open date on June 11. The committee is asking if the club should meet on July 2. No action was taken.

**Youth Services-** The three Century High School scholarships will be awarded this month.

Richard E. Lundberg, Secretary

## **Special Olympics:**

The Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club volunteers helped at the SPECIAL OLYMPICS Track & Field Event held at the John Marshall track on Saturday, May 4, 2019.



The Day Makers volunteers worked the food booth:

- Helen Kolb
- Dallas Glaser
- Bob Nowicki
- Herb Erickson
- Rick Johnson
- Jim Deckerh



**Helen Kolb and Jim Decker** 

#### **Presidents Corner:**

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Our goal is to sell 800 buttons which will raise \$1000 dollars or viewing it another way, one scholarship for a Century High School student. From the 25<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup>, is the Kiwanis international Convention in Orlando. If any of you are going, please bring me a Mickey Mouse hat ③. Lots of anniversaries this month, congratulations to all you love birds!

# Jim Schwinghammer,

President 2018-2019

#### **Best Joke of Month:**

Nebraska football helmet "N" – stands for Knowledge! Math test for football player to graduate ... 2 + 2 = ? Graduating football players says ... 4 Graduating class yells ..... Give him one more chance!

#### **Dick Odell and Fred Hodges**

#### Kiwanis Honker's Baseball Dinner/Social:

Now that spring has arrived, please begin planning to join your fellow Kiwanians and guests to celebrate summer at a Honker's Baseball game on **Friday June** 14<sup>th</sup> in Rochester. Dinner and social will be from 6:00-7:30pm – you will be able to enjoy "all you want" of your ball park favorites in the camaraderie of fellow Kiwanis members, families, friends and perspective members. For the entertainment and game, our group will have seats behind home plate in the covered grandstand (with a seat back). First pitch takes place at 7:05pm.

Our tickets are \$20 which includes Dinner, beverages (does not include alcohol), game and entertainment.

Before May 6<sup>th</sup>, please send payment for tickets along with your club name and telephone number to: Rochester Honkers CO: Kayla Piltz, 307 East Center St, Rochester, MN 55904

If you have any questions about the event or submitting payment, you are welcome to contact Randy Schmidt or Kayla Piltz, Rochester Honkers at Cell- 715-829-1199 Office- 507-289-1170

kavla@rochesterhonkers.com

Randy Schmidt KI Imm. Past Lt. Governor 2018-2019

### **Hy-Vee North Work Team:**

The Hy-Vee North Asst Mngr Joey Smith, offered our Day Makers club a quick \$500 if we could assemble a new load of summer backyard furniture after our meeting.



So a team of "handyman and handywomen" was quickly formed and armed with hammer, screwdrivers and other power tools and "hi-ho hi-ho it's off to work they go!"



Four hours later the team added another \$500 to our service account. Thank you Larry S, Larry K, George H, Bob N, Gary P, Kathy D, Don C and others.

Weather was perfect outside and "A good time was had by all."

**Don Cain** 

## Reading Program: Harriet Bishop K-Kids

Welcome Mayor Norton to Harriet Bishop K-Kids meeting and reading program.



Many thanks to the team of Kiwanians and the K-Kids Advisors for an informative and fun day with mayor.



The K-Kids loved the reading and Mayor Norton's visit to their school.



Helen Kolb and Ken Redding

## Reading Program: Riverside K-Kids

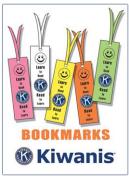
Reading Awards Day at Riverside K-Kids.



Lots of proud smiling faces with their awards, bookmarks and books.



They loved their bookmarks and books.



Total books given out -2000+ and 900 bookmarks.

Helen Kolb and Ken Reding

## **Book Reading Program:** YE Final Report

Rochester Day Makers concluded the school year with a large used book giveaway. It really began when Rick Johnson and Jim Decker said that Christmas Anonymous had 20 boxes of books in storage that they would like to see given away (have been going in and out of storage numerous times). Schools were contacted regarding this book giveaway for exact numbers of students and expressed enthusiasm for it.

On a cold, windy day about a dozen of our members, plus three spouses, gathered at the Storage Unit and sorted and re-boxed books. These were sorted for 1-3rd graders and 4-5 graders. Dick Vrieze then contacted Friends of the Library and Salvation who generously gave us many more boxes of good usable books. Dick and Ruth did most of this sorting at their home.

Garry Post created signs for the distribution tables at the schools and also made 900 very nice books markers, which some of our members helped to finish up by putting ribbons through them (photo of book markers included in Newsletter).

Rick Johnson delivered 400+ books to Harriett Bishop. At the last K-Kids meeting there, our members were thanked very much for the books.

George Heyne and Dick Vrieze delivered 580 books to Riverside (photo of students during distribution in newsletter).



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### **Book Reading Program:** (Continued)

George and Dick also delivered 540 books to Pinewood.



Becky Hopson and Dick delivered 700 books to Gibbs School.



These books were all distributed to students toward end of May with the hope that students will continue reading during the summer and exchange books with their friends so they are well used.

A total of 2220+ books were given.

Thanks to all of you who helped with this such worthy project.

Dick and Ruth Vrieze

### Century Key Club Scholarships/Letters:

The Century HS Key Club met Friday May 17th to honor their scholarship and letter winners. The officers for next year were announced and they were presented with roses. Three of the officers for next year.



Our Kiwanis club treated everyone attending to pizza and sodas. Chris awarding letters for completing volunteer hours required.



Our three \$1,000.00 scholarship winners! The colleges they will be attending are Viterbo, Northwestern and Vancouver.



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## **Century Key Club: (Continued)**

Bill Snyder, the long time liaison to the Century Key Club, Chris Gathje, the Century HS Key Club advisor and Helen Kolb.



And a "Good time was had by all!"



Helen Kolb and Dick Odell

## **Rochesterfest Button Sales:** Started in late May!

Dave is busy at Farmers' Market selling and demonstrating how to "sell Rochesterfest buttons via Non-Profit Organization techniques".



Katie Betts took a picture today as she bought a Rochester Fest button from Dave B. at the farmers' market.

Button sales announced by Mayor Norton and Bret Akerman. View on YouTube.com link at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m07iTrH-eoI

#### Dave Bhaskaran

#### Litter Bit Better 2019:

Eleven Day Makers joined approximately 4000 other volunteers on May 2 for Rochester's annual week of clean-up. On average about 4 ½ pounds of trash per volunteer and I'm confident that our group at least doubled that amount.

Unfortunately, too many people consider the roadside a trash basket; fast food cups, wrappers and bags are the most notable items. Our strangest item was a very realistic looking; but fake, \$100-dollar bill spotted by Dave Alexander.

Litter Bit Better has run for 13 years and during that time 148 ton of trash has been harvested. Thanks again to all that participated.

**Rick Johnson** 

### Pizza Ranch Night:

Neighbors too!

Many Hands make Light Work ...

Please sign up to work a shift or two (4:30-6:00pm, 6:00-7:30pm and 7:30-9:00pm).

Invite your friends and neighbors to come and support our fund-raiser. Our club will earn 10% of the night's profits plus all tips. Pizza on Jun 17<sup>th</sup>, 4 pm to 9pm.



Proceeds will be used for Kiwanis youth activities. Hope to see you on Monday, June 17 at the Pizza Ranch in Stewartville, MN.

**Judy Zierdt and Jim Cook** 

## Day Makers Plant Garage Sale: Results

Plants and Treasures Sale

A big thank you to all of our members who contributed in some way for our fund raiser.

We made \$889.45! We still have a bit more money coming in. Hopefully enough will come in so we can fully fund one scholarship. If you haven't contributed you still have a chance. Let's make a \$1,000!

**Kathy Davis**