



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 2023

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DAYMAKERS KIWANIS



SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

OFFICERS

President Linda Rouhoff
Imm. Past Pres. Herb Erickson
Pres. Elect Janet Cederholm
1st Vice Pres. Becky Hopson
Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt

DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)

Jim Decker 2023
Dave Bhaskaran 2024
Garry Post 2024
Bruce Keller 2025
Larry Scilley 2025

Chairs & Meeting Dates

Membership	Jim Schwinghammer	3 rd Thursday 9am
Program	Jim Cook	1 st Tuesday, 10:15am
Youth Services	Helen Kolb, Ken Reding	4 th Tuesday
Community Services	Rick Johnson	3 rd Tuesday, 8:30 am
Human & Spiritual	Ruth Vrieze	3 rd Tuesday, 10am
Early Childhood Dev	Linda Rouhoff	4 th Tuesday
Operations/Fund Raising	Jim Schwinghammer	1 st Tuesday
Board Meeting	Linda Rouhoff	2 nd Tuesday, 10am
Strategic Planning	Jim Cook	

Historian: Bruce Keller Pres.Advisor: Kathy Davis
Interclub: Herb Erickson Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jim Decker

Program Schedule:

...Special Notice ...

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

06/06 Bird Watching in Colombia/Amazon, Jerry Pruett, Dave Bhaskaran

06/13 Plant a seed: Growing Community Garden, Kelly Rae Kirkpatrick, Dave Bhaskaran

06/20 Gentle Wings- Gifting families with legacy portraits, Dana Duffey, Ken Reding

06/27 Salt and Light Partners, George Beech, Dave Bhaskaran

President's Corner:

As I write this month's newsletter amongst the flowers in my backyard, I think of the Virgil Kraft quote "Spring shows what God can do with a drab and dirty world". Thank you May, and hello June!

I think we Kiwanians make the world better with what we do monthly for our community and our kids. This month we continued our Meals on Wheels, work at Channel One, and other "regular" activities, and celebrated our Key Clubbers and K-Kids. We also read to and donated 780 books to Hoover, Northrop and Mighty Oaks preschoolers, as well as Pinewood Kindergartners.

We enjoyed another round of fantastic programs including Dave Baskharan and friends sharing their amazing treks in New Zealand, Jon Jacobson from the Sheriff's Department filling us in on what's behind those severe weather announcements, Stephen Rose, director of Rochesterfest getting us excited about this year's events, and Kevin Ewing, Rochester woodcarver and artist demonstrating some of his techniques and work right there at Cascade Lake Park where he carved the faces in the upside-down trees.



Yes, we ventured outdoors to bask in nature (to the dismay of a mama bird with a nearby nest!)

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June Flowers and Birthdays:



June Birthdays:

09 Larry Krob
15 Don Cain
18 Linda Rouhoff

June Anniversaries:

03 Bob and Joan Nowicki	19 Larry and Gwen Scilley
15 Larry and Gayle Segar	20 Bruce and Theresa Keller
18 Dick and Majel Hal	22 Jim and Barb Decker

Treasurer's Summary

Accounts Balance 05/30/2023

Administrative Account	\$ 3,680.28
Service Account	\$ 10,564.96
Charitable Account	\$ 12,911.50
	\$ 27,156.74

Total Membership as of May 30, 2023, **47**

2 Members are on Medical Leave

"K" Dollars Total for 2022 – 2023 Kiwanis Year as of 05/30/2023 **\$1,324.00**

Day Makers ZOOM Meetings:

Time: Jun 6, 2023 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84440005662?pwd=cnI1VjNDYzR1dU1MQTFRVGdPekxxUT09>

Meeting ID: 844 4000 5662

Passcode: goblu

Time: Jun 13, 2023 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82400985877?pwd=Sk5PTTdYdFNJT2ZETXVtbHpVYmIsOT09>

Meeting ID: 824 0098 5877

Passcode: goblu

Time: Jun 20, 2023 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84798026229?pwd=eGk2M2VG3NZVGTUV3YyWDVrb2ZLdz09>

Meeting ID: 847 9802 6229

Passcode: goblu

Time: Jun 27, 2023 09:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86959230016?pwd=TkxzczFzSkdlajBlajl1MzkljYXAzOT09>

Meeting ID: 869 5923 0016

Passcode: goblu

Dave Bhaskaranh

Kiwanis Service Leadership: Opportunities

Developing "Leadership Skills" starts with support of our SLP clubs and does include our own club members as we prepare to enhance our club's programs and membership.

District Level: MN-Dak Convention-Aug 04th - 06th St Cloud, MN

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Litter Bit Better Day: Follow UP

As promised, Rochester Environmental Services has given a recap of volunteer efforts for the campaign. They promised a total weight of items collected, but it still has not been sent out.

What they have provided is that they filled 4 large roll-off dumpsters. 600 pounds of tires. 400 pounds of metal, and 200 pounds of appliances. So, it's apparent a lot of garbage was eliminated from our city streets.

They thanked everyone for making the 17th year successful.

Fourteen Day Makers participated in Rochester's annual Litter Bit Better campaign. We picked up Valleyhigh Drive from 7th street to 19th streets NW as we had last year. The weather conditions were almost perfect, sunny, little wind, and most of all no precipitation. While our area was not overly messy, we were able to make it better.

Thanks to all who participated.



Rick Johnson, Dick Odell, Bruce Keller

MN-Dak Kiwanis District Newsletters:

Keep in touch and know who our new District / Division officers are or have been in the past. MN-Dak District Leadership Directories by year. <https://mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/1018>

Dick Odell

President's Corner: (Continued from page 1)

We send our love and prayers to Hollie and Pat Feeser as he has entered memory care. Hollie can be found at Cottagewood, but it's best to call Pat before visiting. We will miss them both, as Pat will now be returning to former commitments she had to leave to accompany Hollis to Day Makers meetings.

As usual, I am overwhelmed with appreciation for all our members do. Thank you, Jim Decker, for standing in for Jack Zierdt and keeping us organized. That is a big job! Thank you Dave, Jim, Rick, George, Caroline and all you others who jump in to set up and take down the trappings of our meetings. I'm sorry I forget to acknowledge you weekly! Thank you, Larry, for starting our meetings on a high note. We love the songs! Greg Hain has spent countless hours getting our new website set up. We appreciate his dedication and technical expertise. And we thank Dick Odell for maintaining our current site and preserving our ongoing history thru our monthly newsletters.

Thank you to Janet, Becky, Kathy, Dave, Dick and Ruth, Rick and friends Linda and Wendy who read to 780 children this month! I'm hoping volunteer Wendy may become a member as she was quite impressed with that activity! Thanks to the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation for providing the books, and to Randy Schmidt of SunRisers for getting them to us. It is humbling to think these may be the only books in some homes. The children certainly treated them as treasures!

Thank you, Helen, for enthusiastically helping us celebrate birthdays and anniversaries. And you members who are celebrating milestones, thank you for donating K dollars that equal the number of years you are celebrating! You are amazing! Last year we blew the district convention attendees away with our HUGE K-dollar contribution. Now they are on to us so I am glad we are continuing this "tradition" Caroline started last year!

Speaking of generous contributions, please remember to buy Kwik Trip cards. They are a great fundraiser for our club and we are lagging far behind last year's sales. We did agree to do this again, so let's support it through September when we can decide whether we want to continue.

Thank you for saving HyVee receipts! Helen says they generated over \$100 for Riverside! We won't be turning those in again until September, so now let's beef up our can recycling!

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President's Corner: (Continued)

Jim Schwinghammer will be sending you an email with details about the upcoming **Plant and Treasures Sale** and the **Kiwanis Night at the Honkers**.

We will need to decide soon if we want to have a table for the Rochesterfest Family Days, and if so, what activity we could provide, and who would be willing to man the table. I think this would be another opportunity to bring in some friends to help us and maybe get them interested in joining. It would definitely be a way to be recognized in Rochester!

As Susan Bissonnette said, "An optimist is the human personification of spring"! Let's continue to be optimists as we do what we can for our community and its children.

Linda Rouhoff, President

Fun Moments at Day Makers Meeting:

May 26th



And a "Good Time Was Had by All !

Wining distance was 12+ feet ...
Thank you Linda Rouhoff for our plane kits.

DickOdell

BOD Meeting Minutes: (Continued from page 4)

Program: We are full through the middle of June with many people working on securing future programs.

Public Relations: Greg reported that he will be having a committee meeting Tuesday (05/23) following our regular meeting. The committee is still working on a new web site.

Youth Services: Helen Kolb reported that the Riverside K-kids new T-shirts were delivered, and the K-kids wore them at the Riverside Family Night. They are done meeting for this school year, and that they had a very successful year. The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 AM!

Jack Zierdt, Secretary/Treasurer

Board of Directors Meeting: May 09, 2023

The Board meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM

Board Members/Committee Chairs Present: Jack Zierdt, Jim Decker, Rick Johnson, Dave Bhaskaran, Linda Rouhoff, Helen Kolb, Jim Schwinghammer, Larry Scilley, Garry Post, Janet Cederholm, Becky Hopson, Bruce Keller, Greg Hain, and Herb Erickson

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent Jim Cook, Ken Reding and Ruth Vrieze

Other Day Makers, Members Present, Sue Johnson and Kathy Davis

Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Kathy Davis and seconded by Jim Schwinghammer to approve the agenda.

Approved

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: Dave Bhaskaran moved, and Kathy Davis seconded to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2023, Board Meeting as corrected. **Motion was Approved**

Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2023: The printed report was sent out to all board members preceding the meeting. Jim Decker moved to approve as amended and Garry Post seconded the motion to accept the amended report. **Motion was Approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Reminder of the upcoming Kiwanis International Convention in Minneapolis June 22nd through 24th was made. Linda mentioned that she would be attending. She will be the delegate from our club. It was mentioned that it could be watched virtually, and Janet mentioned that she may do so.

It was, also, announced that the MNDAK District Convention will be held in St. Cloud, MN August 4th through 6th 2023.

Jim Decker reported that the second quarter audit had been conducted on May 2, 2023, by himself, Garry Post and Jack Zierdt. Everything was found to be in good financial order.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Jack Zierdt asked about the applications for the 2 scholarships that we award to Century High School Key Club Seniors. Kathy Davis will get these from the Key Club as soon as possible for judging of the Applications. (There is a delay to things happening due to the ransomware attack on the school district technology system) These two scholarships will be \$1,000.00 each.

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BOD Meeting: continued

NEW BUSINESS:

The election of officers for the 2023 – 2024 Kiwanis year was adopted on motion by Herb Erickson and second by Kathy Davis. **The motion was Approved!!**

The Officers are as follows:

- President – Janet Cederholm
- President-Elect – Becky Hopson
- Immediate Past President – Linda Rouhoff
- Secretary/Treasurer – Jack Zierdt
- Director – Jim Decker for 3year term (2026)

Discussion was held regarding the Kiwanis International Dues Increase that will be voted on at the Kiwanis International Convention in Minneapolis. A \$30 increase per year is being asked currently. That is an increase of \$7.50 per quarter. It was decided to present a fact sheet on dues to our members for direction on how our club wants Linda to vote on the issue at the International Convention.

Jim Schwinghammer mentioned the plant and treasure sale to be held at the Fairgrounds Building 40 on June 16th and 17th in conjunction with the other Kiwanis Clubs of Rochester.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Service: Rick stated that he and Sue along with Larry and Gwen Scilley attended the Family Services Appreciation Dinner and evening. He stated that he would have a more detailed report on the Litter Bit Better campaign later but at the present stated that the campaign was once again a success.

Early Childhood Committee: Linda reported that the SMIF Books will be taken to Mighty Oaks, Hoover Pre-school, and Pinewood Elementary in the next two weeks. Readers are still needed.

Membership Committee and Operations/Fund

Raising: Jack stated that we will be losing at least 3 members at the end of September (before the beginning of the 2023-2024 Kiwanis Year). It was mentioned that we need to make personal contacts to try to bring in some new members.

Under Fund Raising it was mentioned we need to do more with our KT Cards program by our membership.

Strategic Planning: Nothing new to report.

Human and Spiritual: Kathy Davis reported for Ruth that cards had been sent to Jim Cook and Judy Zierdt during the month of April. It was, also, mentioned that she had contacted the Lundberg's during April and tried unsuccessfully to reach Bev Livesay. →Page 3