



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



INDEPENDENCE DAY

Newsletter for August 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 July at 9am at the Elk's. In-P

08/05 Post Bulletin – Answer Man, Brian Todd,,
 Jim Cook

08/12 JustServe – Connecting Volunteers/Seekers,
 Kathryn Firl, Jim Cook

08/19 OPEN

08/26 OPEN

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Gary Post

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President's Corner:

Kind
 Individuals
 Who
 Assist
 Newborns and older
 Improve
 Status quo

Daily
 Appreciable
 Yeses

Make
 All
 Kids
 Everywhere
 Reach
 Success

Becky Hopson, President

Please invite other kind individuals who care to say, "Yes,
 Yes, Yes!"



South Dakota

"Destiny"

Dick Odell

August Birthdays:

12 Tom Grogan
 18 Larry Scilley

August Anniversaries:

10 Janet and Doug Cederholm
 20 Jack and Judy Zierdt

Treasurer's Summary: July, 2025

Administrative Account	\$ 9,184.34
Service Account	\$ 1,205.20
Charitable Account	\$ 15,318.93
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	\$ 25,708.47

Total Membership on October 1, 2024	37
Total Membership end of July 2025	34

**“K” Dollars on July 29, 2025, is \$1,854.00
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 July 2025	\$ 9,475.00
Budgeted for income in 2024-2025 is	\$12,000.00
Actual income through July 2025	\$10,647.50
Inventory of Cards on hand July 31 st	\$ 2,800.00

Day Makers ZOOM Meetings: August 2025**Time: Aug 5, 2025 09:00 AM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86515764330?pwd=6D1bljAfnZ7ORxEIbXpQsCIHRkMh.1>

Meeting ID: 865 1576 4330**Passcode: gobblue****Time: Aug 12, 2025 09:00 AM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88936093404?pwd=tXfCzxE4JbeKj4498Og8v1MvjKiHsq.1>

Meeting ID: 889 3609 3404**Passcode: gobblue****Time: Aug 19, 2025 09:00 AM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83688913439?pwd=ILQbbbtapZkShu5HuUGThMnCW4mlQz.1>

Meeting ID: 836 8891 3439**Passcode: gobblue****Time: Aug 26, 2025 09:00 AM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89915745562?pwd=sxjqe8U07HZW2p3uzbRaPXOSHsyp2X.1>

Meeting ID: 899 1574 5562**Passcode: gobblue****Day Maker Garden Donations:**

It's a very good gardening year... this wet year !

During July, the Day Makers have provided 950 pounds of Zucchini and Cucumbers to the Channel One Food Bank. There will be more to come in August, September and October.

Jim Decker**“K” Dollars:**

The program for finding and donating “K” dollars is in its seventh year. In the past we have reported and/or taken our annual collection of these funds to the MNDAC District Convention. This started out as a challenge to see which Kiwanis Club could collect the most “K” dollars for the Kiwanis Children's Fund.

Last year we reported the amount collected at the district convention but kept the money for local donations to serve the youth of Rochester. This year the Day Makers Board of Directors decided to use the fun activity of collecting “K” dollars as a local fund raiser and again use it as necessary in our service to youth.

The board also stated that we would not support the Kiwanis International Children's Fund Possibilities at the pre-determined amount of funds that they are requesting from each club over the next five-year period.

As of this date we have collected \$1,854.00 “K” dollars for local use. We have one more Tuesday (August 5th) for the collection year. The time frame for this fun activity is from one district convention to the next district convention. After this coming Tuesday (August 5th) we will start over with the collection of “K” dollars for local club use in helping the youth of Rochester and the world. This fun collection of funds helps to offset the loss of some of the funds from the annual hockey tournament proceeds.

Keep collecting and turning in “K” dollars to help our local club financially and having fun doing so.

Judy Zierdt**“K” Dollar Chairperson**

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

BOD Minutes of Meeting: July 15, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Becky Hopson at 10:15 AM.

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

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent, Greg Hain and Helen Kolb

Other Day Makers, Members Present, Sue Johnson and Judy Zierdt

Approval of Agenda: Dave Bhaskaran moved, and Jim Decker seconded the motion to approve the agenda. **Agenda was approved.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Garry Post made the motion to approve the minutes, of the meeting of June 17, 2025. Janet Cederholm seconded the motion. **Minutes were Approved.**

It was moved by Dave Bhaskaran and seconded by Jim Decker to approve the June 2025 monthly report to Kiwanis International. **Motion was approved.**

The sheet of monthly service hours was presented as part of the secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2025: The report was sent out to all board members in the packets before the meeting. Larry Scilley moved to accept the report as presented and Jim Cook seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Garry Post made the motion to certify Janet Cederholm, Kathy Davis and Becky Hopson as Day Maker Kiwanis Delegates to the 2025 DCON in Willmar, MN. Ruth Vrieze seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.**

Dave Bhaskaran moved to allow Janet and Becky put together an Educational Foundation Silent Auction Item and a Kiwanis Children's Fund Raffle Item not to exceed \$200.00 in total. Garry Post seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.**

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BOD Minutes of the Meeting:

Ruth Vrieze made a motion to approve the amount of \$50.00 over last year's contribution to the district for the school supplies service project at DCON. Jim Decker seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.** (The total amount we will donate as a club will be \$350.00.)

Jim Decker announced that the third quarter audit of the 2024-2025 Kiwanis Year (April 1st through June 30th) will be held on Tuesday July 22nd. The audit will be held by Bruce Keller, Jim Decker and Jack Zierdt.

Garry Post handed out a sample of a Kiwanis Business Card that our members could give to prospective members. After much discussion and ideas being exchanged it was decided that Garry will do some modifications to the initial design.

Rick stated that he is still trying to find a committee chair for the Community Services for the 2025-2026 Kiwanis Year. Otherwise the rest of the Board Committee Structure is set with present chairs and officers having been elected or volunteering to stay on as in the past year.

Jack presented the first draft of the 2025-2026 Day Makers Budget. The second draft (revisions to 1st draft) will be presented at the August Board Meeting with final budget to be presented and approved at the September Board Meeting.

Janet Cederholm reported that she is still working on a couple of possibilities and looking for other ideas for placement of The Little Free Library that Linda still has in her garage along with a sufficient supply of books for the library.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jack presented the new backpacks, to be presented to Riverside and Pinewood schools this year, that were ordered from Dollar Days. We also discussed purchasing school supplies for this coming fall for the two schools. It was decided to let Maureen Bhaskaran shop for the supplies following the school suggested lists. Janet Cederholm moved that we allocate up to \$1,000 for this shopping venture. Jim Decker seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.** We will also ask members for cash donations if they would like to help in purchasing school supplies.

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

Janet Cederholm made a motion that the Day Makers give a \$1,000.00 scholarship to the Rochester Robotics Team. Jim Decker seconded the motion. **Motion was Approved.**

Jim Decker reported that a meeting was held on June 30th for trying to come up with a fundraiser to replace the Hockey Festival. Jim stated that many ideas were discussed and a tentative decision was to present to the clubs that a Raffle would be held. Each club would be asked to sell 675 - \$10 Raffle tickets and supply 10 gift baskets worth at least \$50 each. After discussion by board members it was decided that our club would not be interested in this venture. Jim and Jack represent the Day Makers on the committee with the other Rochester Kiwanis Clubs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Rick Johnson continues to work on finding a replacement chair for the next Kiwanis year during his report on the Community Services Committee. He reported that Channel One volunteering is still in limbo.

Dave Bhaskaran during the report for the Early Childhood Development Committee stated that Maureen will shop for school supplies to be delivered to Pinewood and Riverside along with the backpacks.

Ruth Vrieze Human and Spiritual Aims Committee chairperson reported that she had sent Thinking of You cards to Larry Scilley and his wife Gwen.

No Membership Committee report was available.

Jim Schwinghammer stated that he continues to look for new fund-raising opportunities during the Operations and Fund-Raising Committee report.

Jim Cook Program Committee Chairperson reported that we need programs starting with August 19th and beyond. Please see Jim if you have ideas and can help to schedule programs.

No Public Relations Committee was available.

No Youth Services Committee report was available.

Jim Decker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Janet Cederholm seconded the motion,

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 AM

Submitted by:
Jack Zierdt, Secretary/Treasure

Baseball Game Outing: (Reprint from July News)

The Jim Cook and Dave Bhaskaran picture was Jim trying to explain to Dave why Twins are better than the Detroit Tigers, who have the best record in the Major League Baseball teams.



Tom and Debbi Grogan are all smiles....



Food and drink were available ...



And a good time was had by all !

Dave Bhaskaran
Dick Odell

Day Makers 31st Year Charter Picnic Party:



Presidential Posters

Year	President	President Elect
First Yr	Bob Nowicki	Jerry Dooley
1995-96	Jerry Dooley	Chuck Jacobson
1996-97	Chuck Jacobson	Zanti Squillace
1997-98	Zanti Squillace	Hollie Feeser
1998-99	Hollie Feeser	Pat Horlocker
1999-2000	Pat Horlocker	Herb Erickson
2000-01	Herb Erickson	Bob Wenner
2001-02	Bob Wenner	Carolyn Heyne
2002-03	Carolyn Heyne	Mary Anderson
2003-04	Mary Anderson	Ella VanLaningham
2004-05	Ella VanLaningham	Al Strom
2005-06	Al Strom	Dick Hall
2006-07	Dick Hall	Phyllis Jacobs
2007-08	Phyllis Jacobs	Marie Alexander
2008-09	Marie Alexander	Kathy Davis

Flowers and Spouses



Root Beer Floats and Pizza



Day Makers 31st Year Picnic Party:



Club Meeting then Picnic Luncheon



Fun Facts of Minnesota and Rochester – Kathy Davis and other member thoughts.



Gary Post the Poster Master

Many thanks to Becky, Helen, Kathy, Janet, Audrey, Jim and others who pulled this fun event together.

Dick Odell