

Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Senior Center Use Senior Center Parking Lot

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See MN-DAK District Site at: http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org

Newsletter for **November 2007**

Minnekotan for this month is available at: http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/newsletter.php



| OFFICERS | | DIRECTORS (3 yr terms) | |
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| President | Phyllis Jacobs | Frank Nichols | 2008 |
| Imm. Past Pres. | Richard Hall | Jim Morton | 2009 |
| Pres. Elect | Marie Alexander | Ken Reding | 2009 |
| 1 st Vice Pres. | LeRoy Larson | Jerry Steinke | 2010 |
| 2 nd Vice Pres. | JoAnn Markee | Judy Lien | 2010 |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Dick Lundberg | , | |
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Historian: Bruce Keller Pres. Advisor: Ella VanLaningham Interclub: Larry Krob Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell
Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Looft Regional Rep: Zanti Squillace

Program Schedule:

Nov 6 Mary Ann Olson, History and Role of Civic League Day Nursery, Roger Olson introducer

Nov 13 John Darlington, Visiting the Wall, Marlys McCoy introducer

Nov 20 April Suitor, Middle School Initiative at Willow Creek, Marie Alexander introducer

Nov 27 Jerry Williams, Looking Back and Looking Forward, No introducer yet

Web Humor:

Sven and Ole went into the garbage hauling business. All they had for a truck was Sven's 1949 Ford pick-up with the grain sides on it.

They had just filled it to the top and started out for the dump, when they were stopped by the police. The officer said garbage was blowing off the top of their load and if they didn't find a way to hold it down, he was going to give them a ticket. So, Ole climbed up on top and laid down spread eagle on top of the garbage.

As they drove along, they passed under a bridge. Two Swedes standing on the bridge saw this sight and one of them remarked, "Vell, vould you look at dat!

Somebody threw away a perfectly good Norwegian."

CHAIRS & Meeting Dates

| Membership | LeRoy Larson | 1st Thursday 9am |
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| Program | Marie Alexander | 3 rd Tuesday |
| Youth Services | Steinke/Wade | 1 st Tuesday |
| Community Services | JoAnn Markee | 3 rd Tuesday |
| Human & Spiritual Values | Dallas Glaser | 2 nd Tuesday |
| Young Children Priority One | Larry Scilley | 4 th Tuesday |
| Operations | Richard Hall | 1st Tuesday |
| Public Relations | Herb Erickson | |

Presidents' Corner:

Our quarterly sub-region meeting was held on Oct 16 and Jack Zierdt gave a report on the Kiwanis Educational Foundation. The money earned on the investments is used entirely for scholarship grants. A tax deductible gift of \$100 will buy a "Vantine Life Fellowship". Scholarship applications have been received by the club and will be given to Century High School seniors that are interested in being considered. At this time the amount for each of the 53 scholarships that will be awarded in the Minnesota-Dakotas Kiwanis District is \$800. The winners of the scholarships must attend an institution of higher learning within the Minnesota-Dakotas District including Superior, Wisconsin.

Dawn Fairbrother, our District Administrator for K-Kids gave us an informative program on K-Kids last Tuesday. Sue Thalacker, the volunteer coordinator at Riverside school, was also our guest and she will be the facilitator at Riverside Elementary for launching K-Kids. Al Strom from our club will coordinate activities for our group and explain the opportunities for involvement as volunteers are needed. This should be very exciting to participate in. Dawn will be available for support at the District level. Fifteen K-Kids groups are organized and working well in our district at this time.

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Nov Anniversaries

- 2 Richard & Karen Lundberg
- 6 John & Pat Wade
- 15 Paul Sodt & Pat Horlocker
- 21 Bob & Jane Lahtinen

Nov Birthdays

- 1 Judy Lien
- 4 Chuck Jacobson
- 9 Al Strom
- 17 Connie Mayhew
- 20 John Griffith
- 22 Jack Holmes
- 25 Karen Lee

Secretary/Treasurers Report - Oct'07

 Bank Balance 9/30/07:
 \$ 17,395.96

 Administrative Account:
 \$ 11,634.39

 Service Account:
 \$ 5,456.97

 Hockey/YCPO:
 \$ 224.60

 Bike Repair:
 \$ 80.00

Day Makers on leave: None

September Service Hour Statistics: 486 hours by 41

members, 49% Participation.

October 9, 2007 Board Meeting Highlights:

President Phyllis welcomed the new board members. This is the first meeting of the new Kiwanis year.

The board accepted the Chatfield Playground as an approved project.

The board discussed the Sub-Region Meeting. At least three members will attend.

The board discussed the Region Education Day/Governors Visit scheduled for November 10th in Red Wing. This is the same day as our trip to Minneapolis to see the Lion King. We need at least one member to attend.

The Distinguished Club Criteria for the 2007/2008 Kiwanis year was reviewed. It has changed slightly from the previous year.

The board discussed whether to reschedule or cancel regular club meetings during the upcoming Christmas and New Year weeks. Both Christmas day and New Years day fall on Tuesday. This will be revisited at the next board meeting.

The board discussed the member feedback that was asked for, and received, after our annual banquet meeting. The feedback was mixed. The service was rated negative. The food was rated either terrible or good, nothing in between.

One idea the new program committee will pursue is having the event at the Senior Center, and the food catered by a local establishment.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership- The chairman will decide on a monthly meeting day, probably the first Thursday of the month.

Program- Programs are scheduled through November with one exception. The committee will probably meet on the third Tuesday of the month.

Human & Spiritual Values- Invocations are scheduled through the end of the year. The committee meeting date may change from the second Tuesday.

Youth Services- The Bike Repair Project has reconditioned 161 bikes so far this year, and is winding down. Newer bikes are more complicated and taking longer to repair. The committee is looking into establishing the Bringing Up Grades (BUG) program and K-Kids program at Riverside School. The committee is looking into getting a new Adopted Family. The committee is looking into a middle school initiative at Willow Creek which would help troubled students with homework. April Sutter, from the United Way, will be asked to present a program on this.

Key Club- The Century Key Club is off to a good start. About fifteen members will attend the Fall Rally. City wide spaghetti dinner was a flop, not many attended.

Richard Lundberg, Treasurer

President's Corner: (continued from page 1)

Committees have been formed with Joanne Markee taking over as Community Service chair and LeRoy Larson taking Membership chairman this year. Dallas Glaser has assumed leadership of the Human and Spiritual Values committee and Dick Hall will be chair of the Operations. Youth Services will continue under Jerry Steinke and John Wade, YCPO under Larry Scilley, and Public Relations with Herb Erickson. I am sure they will continue to get great support from all the Day Makers and we will have another outstanding year.

Reading programs in the schools are underway and would welcome any additional volunteer readers. Those of you who volunteer in that way all have interesting experiences I am sure and enjoy interacting with the young students and they with you.

Phyllis

Day Maker Special Family:

The family our club supported for several years was pleased to receive this gift (clock plaque) from our club. We have enjoyed getting to know them over the years, and wish them well. Thanks - Pat



Operations:

The Operations Committee coordinates most of the fund raising activities for the Club. This year Don and Sally Wendt will be in charge of our Wendy's evenings and the breakfast at Applebee's. We thank Don and Sally for taking on this responsibility. Our next Wendy's evening will be on December 19, time to be announced.

Chuck Jacobson said that work on the calendar project should start this month. He needs help in selling adds. Please help if you can

Dick Hall

Youth Services Committee:

The school year has started again which means the Youth Services Committee will be in full swing. The first Century Key Club meeting was held on September 25 with nearly 180 students in attendance. The Key Club has changed their meeting day to every other Thursday. Terrific Kids at Riverside is also off to a good start. If you have not signed up to attend either Key Club or Terrific Kids, give it a try. It is a great opportunity to see Rochester schools in action.

The Youth Services Committee will begin the task of identifying another family to adopt. The adopted family has accomplished much during the time we offered our support. Thank you to all the members who have participated in this program. You can take pride in knowing your efforts were greatly appreciated by the family.

The bike repair project in Jack Holm's garage has taken a sabbatical until next spring. Roughly 180 bikes were fixed and made ready for Christmas Anonymous. Jack reports that the number of bikes repaired is down due to the complexity of inspection/repair of today's newer bikes.

Al Southwick and crew conducted 22 sessions of bike safety and maintenance at six different elementary schools during the summer. The classes/demonstrations were designed for 1st – 4th graders but the majority of the attendees were 2nd graders. Demo bikes were provided by the Bike Repair Project.

Keep yours eyes peeled for clipboard information concerning Elton Hills, Jefferson and Pinewood Elementary school volunteer programs. There will be many opportunities to help these schools with reading programs.

Jerry Steinke, Co-Chairman

Web Puns:

- 1. Two antennas met on a roof, Fell in love and got married. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.
- 2. A jumper cable walks into a bar. The bartender says, "I'll serve you, but don't start anything."
- 3. Two peanuts walk into a bar, and one was a salted.
- 4. A dyslexic man walks into a bra.
- 5. Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lit a fire and unsurprisingly it sank, Proving once again that you can't have your Kayak and heat it too.