

# Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Tuesdays 9:00 A.M. at Rochester Athletic Club Building, 3100 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW Rochester MN

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# Newsletter for **November 2015**

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<b>OFFICERS</b>	

President	Joanne Markee
Imm. Past Pres.	Judy Zierdt
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1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Peter Schuh
Secretary/Treasurer	Dick Lundberg

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DIRECTORS	(3 yr	terms)
Joan Olson		2016
Curt Pearson		2016
Bruce Jawer		2017
Kathy Davis		2018
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Youth Services
Community Services
Human & Spiritual
Early Childhood Dev
Operations
Board Meeting
Eliminate Project

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 9am 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10:15am 1st Tuesday Jerry Steinke 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 8:30 am Helen Kolb, Rick Johnson 3<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am Ruth Vrieze 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Larry Scilley, Dick Vrieze 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Judy Zierdt 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 10am Joanne Markee 1st Tuesday, 10am Jack Zierdt, Herb Erickson

# Asst Sec./Treas: Jack Zierdt Program Schedule:

Historian: Bruce Keller

Interclub: Roger Olson

Nov 03 - Future of Newspapers, Jay Furst, Bob Nowicki

**Nov 10 - Hawthorne Helps**, Sandy Ramage and Sandy Macloughlin, Carolyn Heyne

Nov 17 - Ability Building Center, Kristen Lynne, Bill Wichmann

Pres. Advisor:

Web/Newsletter: Dick Odell

Imm Past Lt Gov Div 7: Dick Odell

Nov 24 – Bundles of Love, TBD, Ella VanLaningham

# Dates to Remember:

**Nov 14<sup>th</sup>** – Division 7 Governor/Educ Day, Red Wing, St James Hotel, 9am to 2:30pm

**Nov 18<sup>th</sup>** – Pizza Ranch Fund Raiser Night, Stewartville, Judy and Jim – "Tell neighbors, friends."

Nov 19<sup>th</sup> – Membership Committee, Perkins South http://www.ki.wanisrochester.org/PerkinsCoupon.jpg

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> – Club Christmas Party

Be generous with your service and \$\$s.

We Care Month - Zeller Fellowship



## President's Corner:

Note from Joanne...

Going on my second month as President, I am finding it has so far been a fun, interesting, informative experience. Thanks to all who are coaching me.

I'm happy to say we formed a fundraising committee that is working on ideas and thoughts for our club to raise some funds, not only to meet our commitment to Eliminate, but also to put into our treasury so that we have funds for other things. We had some great ideas and are hoping to go forward on those in the near future. We would like to make a signature event, as well. We tried to convey the message that no idea is too small, and no idea is stupid. Rather than say, "oh we can't do that", we want to know how can we accomplish it! Within the next month I am hoping to put forth some of these ideas to the whole club, and then go from there. Thanks to all who are working on this.

November 14 is the Gov/Education event. If you'd like to go please let us know very soon so that we can make sure we have everyone registered.

**Joanne Markee**, Day Makers President 2015-2016

# November 100 years of Kiwanis

# November Birthdays: 1 Judy Lien 25 Karen Lee 17 Connie Mayhew 27 Pat Mann 20 John Griffith 28 Darlene Brandt

# November Anniversaries:

- 2 Richard & Karen Lundberg10 Shar & Greg Hain
- 21 Bob & Jane Lahtinen
- 28 Gene & Rachel Mullenbach

# Secretary/Treasurer's Report - Oct 2015

Bank Balance 09/30/2015 \$10.674.95 Administrative Account: \$ 7.110.04 \$ 3,316.91 Service Account: Bike Repair: 248.00

Day Makers on Leave: Dave Arlander, Don Cain,

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**September Service Hour Statistics:** 589 hours by 37

members, 51% Participation.

# October 2015 Board Meeting Summary

The new board members were welcomed to their first board meeting commencing a new Kiwanis year. President Joanne Markee, First Vice President Peter Schuh. Thanks to Jim Cook and Nick Lauer for their exemplary service as they leave the board.

Frank Nichols would like to have a co-chair for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing Project. (Community Service Committee)

Hawthorne School has a program for new arrivals in town. A package of items is put together as a gift to them. Carolyn Heyne would like our club to get involved in this project. President Joanne Markee will contact Carolyn.

The board spent time discussing our clubs progress on the Eliminate Project. How can we meet our goal? Are we turning off our members by asking them to donate more? Should we get the Rochester community involved with fundraisers? President Joanne will get the Operations Committee, and others, to start talking about community fundraisers.

The board approved producing a newsletter article listing all of the clubs Eliminate Zellers and Eliminate Hixsons thanking them for their contribution.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Membership - Carol Scott will have orientation and induction as a new member.

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# **Kiwanis Mission Statement:**

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Community Service** – Community Food Response (CFR) has a need for more volunteers. Christmas Anonymous is ramping up and going strong. They also need more volunteers.

**Program-** Four more programs needed to fill out 2015. The December 22 Christmas meeting will be held at Christ United Methodist Church.

Public Relations - The committee is asking the board "what do you want to promote?" The media is looking for something big. The Kiwanis Hockey Tournament will continue this year.

Early Childhood Development- Reading programs are up and running at Hawthorne, Pinewood, and The Place. There is a big one at The Place come up. Southern Minnesota Book Distribution is in progress.

Youth Services- School programs are up and running

**ELIMINATE**- A fund raiser at Pizza Ranch will be conducted in November.

Richard Lundberg, Secy/Treasurer

# Nov is Kiwanis Day Makers Membership Month:

Let's keep our focus on growing our club both in service and in membership. How much more we could do in our community and schools if we had just 5 new members.

When was the last time you (or I) asked someone to come to one of our meetings or go with you on a service project.

If someone asked you, "What is Kiwanis and why are you a member?" Do you have a 1-2 minute message ready to share? Click on the link below for membership ideas.

And remember, each new member and their sponsor will receive a custom made bag of chocolate candy with the special "Membership Month" logo on every piece from the Division 7 Lt Governor. (smile)

There are even more tips on membership at: http://kiwanis.org/memberevent

Richard Odell, Immed Past, Lt Governor Division 7

# Day Makers Making A Difference:

# Walter Zeller Fellowship: Helen Kolb

Congratulations to Helen for leading-by-example in helping the club with our Model Club objective by participating in the Walter Zeller Fellowship program to support our Eliminate Maternal / Neonatal Tetanus project.

A special thanks goes to Helen Kolb for her years of service by driving several of our Eliminate fund raising projects like the Herbergers and Kwik Trip and her commitment to "altruistic service" with a Zeller Fellowship award. She is definitely a, "I can do that" Kiwanian.

Helen knows what a wonderful creative way to honor the Kiwanis Way by saving 690 mothers and their babies by funding a Zeller Fellowship thereby helping to eliminate Maternal/Neonatal Tetanus in the world.

Helen Kolb has found her personal answer to a very important question, "What More Can I Do?"



With the help of fellow club members, Helen has honored herself and our club by saving the lives of another 690 mothers and their future babies.

The Day Makers say, "Thank you, Helen."

## Dick Odell

PS: Helen's Zeller was awarded on June 30<sup>th</sup> and I forgot to include in the August Newsletter. Again, many thanks for your service Helen.

# Oasis Reading Room: Harriet Bishop Elementary

Congratulations to the Rochester Sunrisers Kiwanis Club for their successful implementation of the Oasis Reading Room at Harriet Bishop Elementary. This is a great achievement in serving the children.



The Sunrisers even engaged Mayor Brede for the opening ceremonies of Oasis Reading Room. Here is the article from the Rochester Post-Bulletin.

# New 'oasis' designed to spark interest in reading

The new Reading Oasis room at Harriet Bishop Elementary was unveiled on Thursday, and plenty of students and community volunteers attended. Rochester Mayor Ardell Brede reads a book with a student.

Rochester Sunrisers Kiwanis has teamed with Scholastic Book Fairs and Harriet Bishop Elementary School to build a Reading Oasis room at the school.

The oasis will be a dedicated space designed to spark students' interest in books and help strengthen their reading and comprehension skills. Volunteers from Rochester Sunrisers Kiwanis raised funds, assembled new furniture and shelved books to create a warm and inviting reading environment at the school. Sponsors donated a total of \$5,000 to help outfit the new room, and Scholastic Book Fairs matched those funds with a donation to provide 1,200 new books, cozy furniture and rugs, and a listening library.

Sponsors include the Southern MN Initiative Foundation, Harriet Bishop PTSA, People's Energy Cooperative Operation Roundup and Pharmaceutical Specialties Inc. Volunteers from Rochester Sunrisers Kiwanis and Harriet Bishop PTSA are now utilizing the Reading Oasis to assist students with reading skills. Rochester Sunrisers Kiwanis members and Harriet Bishop Principal Kate Palmquist unveiled the room to students and the public during a special ribbon-cutting ceremony Wednesday.

Congratulations Kiwanis Sunrisers....

Dick Odell, Im.Past Lt Governor, Div 7

# Division 7 Governor/Education Day Event: Nov 14th

The Governor/Education Day event is open to all Kiwanians in Division 7 clubs. The event gives the attendees the opportunity to get to know the Division and District officers and to hear the objectives for the coming Kiwanis year from the MN-Dak District Governor and our Division 7 Lt Governor.

The event also has educational presentations on various Kiwanis programs and provides a venue for sharing ideas from club officers and members. It is also a convenient way for those members who aspire to know more about club and division leadership responsibilities. And of course, it is a great fun and friendship renewal meeting as we grow in our knowledge of being a Kiwanian.

The venue is the top floor of the historic St James Hotel in Red Wing, MN which provides a beautiful view of the Mississippi River barge traffic, etc. The buffet, entertainment and silent auction is always good.

Dick Odell Im. Past Lt Gov, Div 7

# Saturday Noon Meals Project:

The Saturday Noon Meals community project is provided at the Christ United Methodist Church on Saturdays for people in need. Saturday noon meals serve ~100 people every week.

Here are some of the volunteers from the Day Makers Club who are helping with the kitchen work at CUMC Saturday Noon Meals service project.



#### Jim Decker

PS: We actually serve and clean up the meal service and we eat what we serve.... Smile.

## Riverside K-Kids:

On October 19th the election of officers took place at the regular K-Kids meeting at Riverside Elementary School.

- President Norah Hughes
- Vice President Benjamin Hargraves
- Secretary Athiou Makuach
- Treasurer Brennan Jones

After voting, the club members picked up rakes and clippers and volunteered to prepare the butterfly garden for spring under the advice of Heather from Sargent's Nursery.

Time ran short and they needed to return to their room to find out the results of the election. They decided to help during noon break during the next few days to complete the cleaning project. Thanks to the direction from Ms. Peterson and Bartholomew, the club advisors.



Group of club members with advisors and nursery helpers pose for a group picture.

**Curt Pearson** 

# Kiwanian George Grows Them Huge.....

Really George, only 1343 lbs....?



Nicely done George....white pumpkin? Dick Odell