

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 **November 2020**

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OFFICERS

President Kathy Davis
Imm. Past Pres. Jim Schwinghammer
Pres. Elect
1st Vice Pres. Open
Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt

DIRECTORS (3 yr terms)
Dave Bhaskaran 2021
Garry Post 2021
Bruce Keller 2022
Larry Scilley 2022
Jim Decker 2023

Chairs & Meeting Dates

Membership Jim Schwinghammer 3

Program Larry Segar 1

Program Larry Segar Youth Services Helen Kolb, Ken Redding Community Services Rick Johnson Human & Spiritual Ruth Vrieze Early Childhood Dev Larry Scilley Operations/Fund Raising Jim Schwinghammer **Board Meeting** Kathy Davis Strategic Planning Jim Cook

3rd Thursday 9am 1st Tuesday, 10:15am 4th Tuesday

3rd Tuesday, 8:30 am 3nd Tuesday, 10am 4th Tuesday

1st Tuesday 2nd Tuesday, 10am

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

Program Schedule:

... Special Notice ...

Our board of directors will let us know when to resume in person meetings.

Nov 19 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing – HYVee North, Signups with Ruth Vrieze

Club Zoom Meetings:

11/10 Salvation Army Update, Rebecca Snapp Larry Segar

11/24 Kiwanis Youth Protection, Jack Zierdt Jack Zierdt

Keep in touch via email or phone and stay safe.

November Kids Humor:

If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring?

- Pilgrims.

What did the turkey say before it was roasted?

- Boy! I'm stuffed!

What are turkeys mostly thankful for at Thanksgiving?

- Vegetarians

Why did the turkey pack his gear, and leave the farm?

- He had gotten tired of all the fowl language.

November Birthdays:

01 Carolyn Heyne11 Dick Vrieze02 Dallas Glaser13 Joan Olson03 Kathy Davis30 Bruce Keller

08 Bob Nowicki

Presidents' Corner:

Greetings to All Day Makers,

I know the calendar says it's fall but when I look out the window it looks a lot more like winter. What happened?

I do enjoy seeing so many of you on zoom but I so miss seeing our members who are not joining us on zoom. I do think it's a bit strange that I'm not seeing some of you whom I know are very tech savvy. So on November 10 th I would like to see a few more of you. Hats off to the 20+ members who joined us at our last meeting.

The next two months will be fun for all of you who are chomping at the bit to get back to volunteering. First of all Hiawatha Homes Festival of Trees is coming up. Yes, we are having it but it will be a bit different this year. It will not be at Mayo Civic. The trees and activities will be spread around the city of Rochester. So for info on volunteering you can go to <u>Hiawathahomes.org</u> and click on Festival of Trees and look for volunteers. Our club has been asked again to help with delivering the friendship ornaments as we have in the past. Our next opportunity is with Christmas Anonymous. This too will be different. Christmas Anonymous will not be at Christ United Methodist church. It will be at the old Toys R Us store and families will not be shopping. All items will be prepacked and families will be driving up. So with that in mind help will be needed in transporting items from storage to the new site and with packing the bags for the families. Rick Johnson and I will have more info later. Lastly we have bell ringing for Salvation Army. At this time I think all the time slots are filled. Page $3 \rightarrow$

November Anniversaries:

- 18 David and Maureen Bhaskaran
- 19 Jim and Ann Morton

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Treasurer's Report – 10/01/2020

Bank Balance 09/29/2020: \$ 25,052.47

Administrative Account \$ 6,741.47 Service Account \$ 10,665.86 Charitable Account \$ 7,645.14

Total Membership 46

Jack Zierdt, Treasurer

Children's Fund: Amazon Smile Program

When you shop this fall, remember the Amazon Smile Program for boosting our fundraising projects.

https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F

Same products, same prices, same service. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases.

What a good fundraising opportunity for our Kiwanis Clubs. Check it out at the web site shown above.

Herb Erickson and Dick Odell

Day Makers ZOOM Meeting:

Nov 10th - Day Makers Kiwanis Club Meeting 09:00 AM Central Time

shttps://us02web.zoom.us/j/83336992870?pwd=UXJSdmFOVk01MVFpakdMejNnT25KZz09

Meeting ID: 833 3699 2870, Passcode: goblue

Nov 24th - Day Makers Kiwanis Club Meeting 09:00 AM Central Time

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87298145214?pwd=anpwQ2 M0cGYvODFxejJUdVBCeFlqQT09

Meeting ID: 872 9814 5214

Passcode: goblue

David Bhaskaran

Think About It: Anonymous Authors

Maturity is the ability to stand for a lot and fall for little.

He who throws mud loses ground ...

We don't know how strong we really are until we are tested.

Beverly Livesay

BOARD MEETING: October 13, 2020

Kathy called the ZOOM Board meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

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

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent:, Larry Segar, Ken Reding, Dick Vrieze, Helen Kolb, Jim Schwinghammer

Others Present: None

Additions and Corrections to Minutes of Previous Meeting: Garry Post moved and Dave Bhaskaran seconded to approve the minutes from the September 8th Board Meeting. Approved

<u>Treasurer's Report for September 30, 2020:</u> The printed report was sent out to all board members preceding the meeting. Following discussion the report was filed as sent out. **Approved**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

We will continue to hold our meetings via Zoom through the end of December 2020. We will poll the membership as to their feeling of attending meetings in person with hybrid for those that do not feel comfortable attending in person.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dave Bhaskaran moved that we allow our members the opportunity to count the time that they pick up trash on their neighborhood walks as service hours. Jim Decker seconded the motion that in this time of COVID 19 we need to do whatever we can to help out our community and members. **Approved**

It was brought to the attention of the board that we are starting the 2020-2021 Kiwanis Year with 46 members.

Ruth Vrieze reported on the Salvation Army Bell Ringing for 2020. We have 4 dates that we are scheduled for the Day Makers Kiwanis Club to ring bells at Hy Vee North. We are scheduled for November 19th; December 3rd; 10th and 17th for 2 shifts of 2 hours each from 3 to 5 and 5 to 7. The December 3rd slots are already filled by Dave & Maureen Bhaskaran and Rick & Sue Johnson.

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 11:11 AM

Jack Zierdt

Secretary/Treasurer

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Kiwanis Day Makers Club Dues:

November is the 2nd month of the 1st quarter of the new Kiwanis year. Therefore, the 1st quarter (Oct, Nov, Dec) dues are now payable. Please send your check for the 1st quarter dues to Jack.

The dues are as follows: Regular Membership \$45.00 @quarter; Spouse Membership \$25.00 @quarter and Life Membership \$35.00 @quarter.



Jack Zierdt DM Treasurer

Christmas Anonymous Update:

As I mentioned last month, our involvement will be reduced this year but still critical. Presently, there are two main days we will be involved. On **Nov. 30**th we will haul material from storage lockers to Toys-R-Us. Sentenced-to-Serve is not available this year, but the Grizzlies hockey team will help. Because they practice in the morning, we will begin at 1:00pm at the storage lockers.

Olmsted County sheriffs are bringing the fair board tables to Toys-R-Us in their trailer. We will reverse the process on **Dec. 14**th at 1:00pm, starting at Toys-R-Us.

This year, no school pick-up, minimal table help, no food to unload, no fruit, and no bikes to handle.

One still unanswered question is the KTTC toy drive. This is KTTC's project and in the past people brought donations to KTTC during the Saturday prior to store day and that night we would help unload at CUMC. This year they will be promoting people to make donations to Target, either online or in person (in person means toys must be quarantined for a few days).

There is still some question as to how items will move from Target (both North and South) to Toys-R-Us, details as of now are unclear. So, with no chance to have sign up sheets we will ask that you check your schedules and let me know if you can help. It will be greatly appreciated.

Rick Johnson

Salvation Army Bell Ringing:

After one year of not doing Salvation Army Bell Ringing, our Club has once again volunteered to do this enjoyable and worthy project. Since Shopko Stores have closed, we are assigned to ring bells at HY-VEE NORTH on 37th Street.

We chose Thursdays and have had good sign ups thus far. We need two people for each slot. I will list the open slots available at this time. Thursday, November 19, 5-7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 10. 5-7 p.m. (only one person needed yet), Thursday, Dec. 17, 5-7 pm.

We are required to wear masks and gloves (our own winter gloves or rubber gloves). We are asked to wipe down the kettle often with Chlorox wipes that will be provided. Aprons and bells are in a backpack beneath the kettle. Return these to the backpack unless the next bell ringers have arrived.

We have a nice laminated sign indicating that the current ringers are from the Rochester Day Makers' Kiwanis Club which we will display during each of our sessions.

If you are able to help with this project, please e-mail me at <<u>r.rvrieze@charter.net</u>> or call me at 507/252-8529 or cell: 507/951-3195. Thanks so much for those of you who have already signed up for this.

Ruth Vrieze

President's Corner: Continued from page 1

I know this was a long paragraph but I wanted you to know there is lots for us to do. All of these activities are in accordance with social distancing guidelines. So sign up and get your hours to Jack 😛

I've been visiting some of the other clubs in the last few weeks and some are zooming and some are in person. It's been very interesting to see how they do their meetings. Let's have some inner clubs and go visit them.

I was hoping to have us try a hybrid meeting in January but the more I thought about it I realized how cold and snowy it is, so we will wait to start doing hybrid meetings.

We have now finished our first month in our Kiwanis year in a very pandemic year, yes we will survive and Carry On !!! I'm so thankful to be a part of this wonderful club!!!!!

Kathy Davis, President

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Kiwanis Mission Statement:

"Fund Raising"

I have missed saying the mission statement at meetings so I'm doing it here.

"Kiwanis Day Makers is a local organization of volunteers, dedicated to improving our service fund, one gift card and one car wash card at a time."

WOW, that really inspires me. I'm going to gas up and wash my car right now. See ya later.

Herb Erickson



HY-VEE Grocery Store Receipts:

We have just found out that Riverside and Bishop schools are continuing to collect HyVee store receipts.

I'm hoping a lot of us have been saving these receipts to help with their fund raisers. It's never too late to help.

If you have any saved by the time we ring bells at HyVee, here's a way you can turn them in: Just check the list of the days/times our Day Makers are ringing and bring in your receipts. Give them to any Day Maker ringing. Rick, Kathy and I will get them and divide them between the two schools.

Thanks everyone. And by the way, I sure miss everyone!!!

Helen Kolb

K-Dollar Challenge Fund Raising:

Continue saving your "K Dollars" for the Children's Fund once again. The "K Dollar" Challenge will be held again for this next 2020-2021 Kiwanis year according to Kathy Welle, District Chair of Kiwanis International Foundation Children's Fund.

I will gladly collect your "K Dollars" whenever we meet once again as a club at the Elks. Until then, you can either send your "K Dollars" to me via US mail or just meet up with me to donate to this challenge.

K-Dollars are readily available in SD/WY, just ask Farmer Dick Odell.



The Kiwanis Children's Fund helps children in many places and ways and it is continuing to happen even during this COVID-19 pandemic. It is a way of reaching children through grants, scholarship programs, and Kiwanis youth programs.

Judy Zierdt

Fall Colors are Falling Fast:

Local Rochester tree



Dick Odell

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