



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 February 2024



OFFICERS President Janet Cederholm Imm. Past Pres. Linda Rouhoff Pres. Elect Becky Hopson 1 st Vice Pres. Secretary/Treasurer Jack Zierdt		DIRECTORS (3 yr terms) Dave Bhaskaran 2024 Garry Post 2024 Bruce Keller 2025 Larry Scilley 2025 Jim Decker 2026		Chairs & Meeting Dates Operation/Fundraising Jim Schwinghammer 1st Tuesday 8:35 am Program Jim Cook 1st Tuesday 10:05 am Board Meeting Janet Cederholm 2nd 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 Linda Rouhoff 3rd Thursday 9:00 am Youth Services Helen Kolb, Ken Reding 4th Tuesday 8:35 am Early Childhood Linda Rouhoff 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 ...
Four meetings February are at 9am at the Elk's.
 In-Person/Zoom meetings weekly, see details on page 2.

02/06 Dan Leikvold-KI VP andidate,Dan Leikvold,Jim Cook,Via ZOOM

02/13 Mardi Gras Celebration,Linda Rouhoff, Linda Rouhoffs

02/20 Public Library: Volunteer Options, Reading Champions, Tammy Fritz, Janet Cederholm

02/27 Experiences as HS Coach-Silencing Negativity Within, Jeff Butorac, Jim Cook

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MN-Dak Kiwanis District Leadership:
 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:

Hello fellow Day Makers! February. Memories of school rooms decorated with hearts and President's birthdays. Preparing and handing out Valentines to school classmates was often a highlight of the month. Perhaps you remember something similar. Thinking of others is so ingrained in Kiwanis members.

I saw this in action at our recent fundraiser for Kids in Ukraine. What a great crowd! Thanks to all of you for helping make this happen. Kathy Davis, from our club, was one of the organizers. This event was something all the Kiwanis clubs in Rochester helped with. It's fun to get to know members from the other clubs.

Thanks to everyone who continue to "improve our world" with your community volunteering at the library, the schools, Channel One, Meals on Wheels, tax prep, and anything else I forgot or I'm not aware of.

Save the date of July 30th for the Day Makers 30-year anniversary. More details on the celebration will be coming as the year progresses.

I can't end this without mentioning membership (again). There are a few people that have expressed interest in joining. Be sure to welcome these guests and make them feel welcome as they come to future meetings. We get an extra day this year to recruit new members – let's "leap" toward the opportunity. Until next time.....

Janet Cederholm, President

February Birthdays:

01 Jack Zierdt
 07 Tom Lemke
 16 Shar Hain

February Anniversaries:

08 Becky and Joe Hopson
 12 Ruth and Dick Vrieze

Treasurer's Summary: January 31st 2024

Administrative Account	\$ 844.87
Service Account	\$ 10,040.34
Charitable Account	\$ 10,080.94
	\$ 20,966.15

Total Membership on October 1, 2023: **40**

K-Dollars so far for 2023 – 2024 KI Year : \$984.00 as of January 31, 2024.

KWIK Trip fund raiser for 2023-2024 KI Year:

Budgeted for expenses in 2023-2024 is:	\$10,000.00
Actual expenses through January 2024:	\$ 4,900.00
Budgeted for income in 2023-2024 is:	\$10,400.00
Actual income through January 2024:	\$ 5,147.96
Inventory of Cards on Hand Jan. 31 is:	\$ 1,255.00

Day Makers ZOOM Meetings: February

Time: Feb 6, 2024 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87963628097?pwd=cWpTM0p5eC9DM2YrMjNaTnRsb3Bldz09>
Meeting ID: 879 6362 8097
Passcode: goblue

Time: Feb 13, 2024 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88327697725?pwd=dkxVYU0wUWxUenEvdA5UElraaDVIZz09>
Meeting ID: 883 2769 7725
Passcode: goblue

Time: Feb 20, 2024 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83745554412?pwd=bWllanR1d0l2ZjNoOFItaWVYYVmfYz09>
Meeting ID: 837 4555 4412
Passcode: goblue

Time: Feb 27, 2024 09:00 AM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88991678704?pwd=aXlWM1RNMWpkM3dEZz2pTTWZTb2ZUQT09>
Meeting ID: 889 9167 8704
Passcode: goblue

Dave Bhaskaran

Reading Book Project:

Over 800 books have arrived for distribution to our early elementary students. And our team inserted our special book certificate on the inside cover of each book.



Thank you: Becky, Linda, Gary, Kathy, Larry, Gwen, Jim and Sue Jonson.

No licking, but lots of sticking....

Here is the sticker for the booklets.

YOUR CHILD'S GIFT

Parents/Guardians: Reading to your children daily will benefit them in their future. The more words they hear the bigger their vocabulary will become. Reading helps promote greater success in both school and life. You are your child's first and most important teacher. Teach them to become successful!

Set aside a little time each day to read to your child!

*This book is a gift provided by:

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Dick Odell

Jokes for Kids:

Q: What did the snowflake say to the road?
A: Let's stick together.

Q: Why did the turkey join a band?
A: So he could use his drumsticks.

Q: What's a math teacher's favorite winter sport?
A: Figure skating.

Q: Where do roses sleep at night?
A: In their flowerbed

Q: Why did the Genie get mad?
A: Because he was rubbed the wrong way.

Kiwanis Clubs – Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser:

Here are a few pictures from our 4 Rochester Kiwanis Clubs breakfast.

The breakfast was a huge success. We served over 400 breakfasts .



The total amount raised is not known at this time , but we had \$1,500 in the tip jar and are awaiting to find out the raised amount from the VFW.



Lt Gov Elect Katie Landwehr and Lt Gov Bill Otto were in attendance and were welcomed by Kathy Davis.



Club President Janet is on the move... watch out!

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Our Day Makers Crew:

This was a very busy event for our Day Makers crew, Beckey, Kathy, Linda, Helen, Janet and Jim (back).



We are looking forward to our next cooperative clubs experience, whatever that may be.

Kathy Davis

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF MEETING: January 16, 2023

The Board meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM by President Janet Cederholm.

Board Members/Committee Chairs Present: Jack Zierdt, Jim Decker, Jim Schwinghammer, Janet Cederholm, Bruce Keller, Jim Cook, Garry Post, Dave Bhaskaran, Ken Reding, Becky Hopson, Larry Scilley and Linda Rouhoff

Board Members/Committee Chairs Absent, Greg Hain, Rick Johnson, Helen Kolb, and Ruth Vrieze.

Other Day Makers, Members Present, Judy Zierdt

Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Jim Decker and seconded by Larry Scilley to approve the agenda with the addition of Food 4 Kidz under new business.

Motion Passed

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Ken Reding made the motion to approve the minutes, of the meeting of December 12, 2023. Garry Post seconded the motion. **Minutes were Approved.**

David Bhaskaran moved and Jim Cook seconded the motion to approve the monthly report to Kiwanis International for December 2023 **Approved**

Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 2023: The printed report was sent out to all board members in the packets before the meeting. David Bhaskaran moved to accept the report and Garry Post seconded the motion to accept the report as submitted. **Motion was Approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

An summary and explanation of expenditures for our annual Holiday Celebration meeting that was held on the 19th of December, was presented by Jim Cook.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Jack mentioned that he and Janet decided not to present the By-Laws updated version to the membership for approval in January. The reason for this is that we have received communication that both Kiwanis International and Minnesota-Dakotas Kiwanis District will be proposing dues increases this coming summer and we may, also, be looking at a local club dues increase. Since that was the major change in updating of the By-Laws it was decided to hold off on updating until we know what dues increase amount will be following the conventions in the summer and discussion on final amount we will need to add to our dues amount in the By-Laws.

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BOD Meeting: continued

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Decker mentioned that the 2023-2024 First Quarter audit will be held on Tuesday January 23rd immediately following our regular weekly meeting with himself, David Bhaskaran and Jack Zierdt doing the audit. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

Jim Decker mentioned that the Kiwanis Hockey Festival was successful once again. However, we are losing three teams from this year for the upcoming festival so recruitment is starting now. He thanked Garry Post for designing special Thank You certificates for the sponsors and advertisers.

The first planning committee meeting for our Day Makers Kiwanis Club 30th year celebration has been held. The celebration meeting and festivities will be held on Tuesday July 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM. It will be an evening dinner meeting at Charlies. Stay Tuned for more information.

Jim Cook stated that the annual Food for KIDZ in Stewartville will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2024. There will be sign up sheets for working and financial donations will be coming out in February. All participating Kiwanis Clubs are again being asked for a \$2,000 donation for the supplies for the food packages.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Rick Johnson wasn't at the meeting as he needed to get to Channel 1 for our clubs monthly volunteer time. However, he did mention to Jack before leaving that Channel 1 and the Meals on Wheels program each week are the major service at the present time.

Linda Rouhoff stated that she has 800 Books that we will be putting labels in following our weekly meeting on Tuesday January 23rd. These are the books from SMIF that we will read and donate to children in the spring through our Early Childhood Development Committee.

The Human and Spiritual Aims Committee report was given by Judy Zierdt (who is filling in for Ruth Vrieze while she is in Arizona). She stated that nothing new had been done since our December meeting.

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BOD MINUTES OF MEETING: (Cont from p. 4)

Linda Rouhoff mentioned that the Membership Committee would not meet this month but will meet on the third Thursday morning in February. She mentioned that she had received 2 new member applications following our weekly meeting today.

Jim Schwinghammer was asked if the joint Kiwanis Clubs Garage Sale at the Fair Grounds would be held again this spring and he stated that he had been informed that planning is being done. This report was on behalf of Operations and Fund Raising committee.

Jim Cook stated that we NEED programs in February and beyond. Please HELP and contact Jim.

Greg Hain was not present to give the Public Relations Committee report He had told Jack to announce that a committee meeting would be held following the club weekly meeting on January 23rd.

Ken Reding stated that there was nothing new to report on behalf of the Youth Services Committee since the December Board Meeting.

President Janet adjourned the meeting at 11:08 AM.

Jack Zierdt
Secretary/Treasurer

2023 Kiwanis Hockey Festival:

The Hockey Festival was fast and furious this year with 33 games going on during the 3 days (Dec 27-29, 2023).

Great local TV coverage this year with even “on the ice” interviews with Kiwanians ... nicely done Vern Yetzer!



Vern and Jim Decker turned over a “preliminary fundraising check” of \$2000.00 to our Day Markers club. More to come when all the “bills” have arrived and paid.

Check out the Hockey Festival website at:

<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/hockey/> and for specific team grids, scores and Championship photos go directly to:
<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/hockey/ScorePosit04.htm>

And finally, take note of the many local businesses that help sponsor the Hockey Festival event with their ads and support of the event. They are listed on the website at:

<http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/hockey/Sponsors.htm>

Dick Odell (web master)

Very Interesting Speaker: Ginger Zierdt, US National Parks Ranger (What the USNPS does and manages....)



The Ranger “Flat Hat”

Crowning the classic National Park Service (NPS) ranger uniform is the iconic, broad-brimmed “flat hat.” The hat not only protects the wearer from the elements, but it also represents the passion behind the national parks system. According to NPS Ranger James Marks, when a visitor sees the signature silhouette, it communicates “I’m here, here to help!”

The archetypal shape of the hat, complete with a agine pinched into four quadrants (also known as the Montana Peak or the Montana Pinch), was inspired by dimpled hats worn by Vaqueros in Mexico and the Buffalo Soldiers protecting Yosemite National Park. The flat hat, topped with that “lemon squeezer” profile, was officially adopted by the U.S. Army in 1931.


This style of felt or straw hat—also known as a campaign hat—also referred to as a “Stetson” after a top manufacturer, the John B. Stetson Company. The hat was first formally specified in the NPS uniform regulations in 1930, but it wasn’t until 1938 that Stetson officially started selling hats to NPS.

Until 1969, according to NPS, employees were instructed to manually put four small dents in the hat crown before the dimples were later inserted during the manufacturing process.

While anyone can wear a quad-dented campaign hat, the NPS leather hatband is what completes the ranger look. Etched in the Manzanita-toned ribbon are the words USNPS (United States National Park Service) surrounded by almond twigs and sequoia tree cones. Bookending the band are two metallic sequoia cones with a spiraling leather fastener in between to secure the hat.

According to NPS, during a conference of park superintendents at Yellowstone National Park in 1923, a band was recommended for the uniform. Landscape architect Thomas Vint prepared a sample hatband that consisted of three cones and foliage, secured all the left side by ring fasteners.

On January 26, 1930, the hatband was approved and became part of NPS lore, complete with a provision to mandate the changing silver ornaments as official uniform wear. During a change in ranger uniform suppliers in the late 1970s to early 1980s, the once-silver sequoia tree cones were switched to gold-plated.



Besides learning about the role of the USNPS, (very interesting) we learned what the selection and meaning of the official “Ranger Flat Hat” and its gold seal. Very informative and a fun speaker.

Dick Odell