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KIWANIS CLUB OF ROCHESTER, Rochester, MN

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Jan. 12, 2023

Jan 12 Students of the Month Jan. 19 Craig Caucutt, Civic Activities in Rochester.

Next week is Andre Crockett, building a gym for children and the last week is Nick Abbott from Damascus Way. It is a home for men coming out of prison.





At left we see Charlie Graham doing his 'scribe' duties in absence of Clare. At right is 'the Judge', Ron Ilvedson at his new home in Hudson, WI. Ron and his daughter were guests at Clare & June's place this week. A good visit and lunch was had by all. Ron is doing well in his new home. His daughter, Chelle, lives near-by so he is having a lot of contact after living far apart most of their adult lives. He also has a son in Fargo (I think). Remember, any member who would like to make a contact with Ron, you can contact him using his email address in our club roster. Maybe you have some comments about the movie report this year. KIWANIS Meeting, Jan.05,2023

Roger Krsnak opened the meeting. Austin won the drawing and gave a happy dollar for the Air B&B in Minneapolis he enjoyed with his wife for Christmas. It was just two blocks from the George Floyd Memorial. Other happy dollars were given by Linda, Mary, Dan Carlson, and Bonnie. The next meeting on Jan. 12th will be for Students of the Month. On Jan19 the meeting will be with our speaker, Greg Caucutt, regarding Civic activities in Rochester. His wife, Amy Caucutt, was a past member of our club. Bill Kalmes gave an update about the Hockey Tournament with a new format. Financials were about the same as last year. Bill's birthday is next week, and we sang, "Happy Birthday" for him.

Linda reported that Salvation Army Bell Ringing raised \$335,000. Linda also mentioned a future program from Damascus Way about helping prisoners released, needing help.



The speaker today was Jerry Pruitt, who spoke to us *at our last meeting about* birds, etc. in South America. He returned to finish what he started last time. Today was about a

tour he made with 5 others and a guide to Columbia,

starting in the northern high mountains, and later to the South Amazon area. just 20 miles from Brazil. He said 20% of all the birds and butterflies in the world are in Columbia. He had many pictures of birds like parrots, (Macaws) and many rare species. Leaving the higher areas going to the Southern River region he had pictures of the people who live on sand bars in the river, and they all carry machete knives to cut trees, etc. along the river. He and his group flew into this area where there are no roads. The river has no dams and is natural, allowing nature to remain unspoiled. Many animals reside in the river area, such as large turtles, Anaconda snakes (12 feet long), Otters, etc. They left this area back to the Andes Mountains, staying at a 65,000 sq. mile Ranch with high grass lands. The Ranch Hands were shown playing musical instruments with what looked like a harp with a large sound board. He had pictures of vultures and a fresh kill by a Jaguar, and an Ant Eater (knee high). They returned then to the US.

Jerry has knowledge by education in biology and science, teaching in Plainview for 10 years, and 30 years with Mayo Clinic Lab work. We enjoyed his presentation

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*****Life Member

The preceding list reflects the official roster of active members according to Kiwanis International. If a name is missing or one is present that should not be, please let C. Warren know.

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The Kiwanis Club of Rochester meets every Thursday at the Meeting Room at the Eagles 917 15^{th} St. SE

Meetings last about one hour. Lunch is served including an entree, fruit, salad, and drink for (\$13.50)

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Newsletter Changes

Remember to call **Clare Warren at 254–2087** if you have anything you feel is newsworthy. We are trying to get the newsletter out every other week. It can be effective if you feed in the right information. Feel free to contribute something for publication!

Be sure to read the roster once in awhile and report any errors to C. Warren

Why not! If you have a computer, why not try to receive the Kiwanis **Newsletter via e-mail**. It is a quick and easy way for us to get the letter to you on time. We now have 17 ACTIVE members receiving it regularly. They enjoy the ability to get it in COLOR.

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2018-19

Colleen Maddox Roger Krsnak

Co- Presidents

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Bill Kalmes Irv Nehring

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Club Rep to District Membership, Growth & Education Public Relations Community Services Youth Service & YCPO

Programs Circles of Service Human and Spiritual Values Finance Donations/Charities

Co-Presidents next yr. are

(Still no names for co-Presidents next year)



(When Clare is absent, Charlie is the most frequent sub for taking notes and pictures. Occasionally this person is Colleen. It is important to me to have this help and I'm grateful for it. I've been doing this for 22 years and enjoying to a point. It is so important to have reliable backup!)

