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KIWANIS CLUB OF ROCHESTER, Rochester, MN

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## April 23, 2022

### Programs for April

April 21 Students of the Month (2)

May programs???

Will send them out when known.....

June 2 Bonnie has SOM holdover.....



Irv Nehring announced that his wife Nancy passed away a week ago after a long stay in the hospital. Below are the details of the funeral and

visitation coming up April 23. We pass along our condolences and prayers to Irv and his family. Visitation with the family will be 9-11 AM at the church in Byron. See details below. Obituaries have been sent to the membership earlier.

Saturday, April 23, 2022

9:00 am - 11:00 am **Christ Lutheran Church**  
201 Frontage Rd NW  
Byron, Minnesota 55920



David Nelsen had similar news as Irv Nehring. Dave's wife Carol passed away the same week as Nancy. Carol had been fighting cancer for a couple of years or more. Recently she was on home hospice. She passed away peacefully. Details

of the funeral have been sent at the same time as the Nehring information. Note that there will be a service at the St. John's Lutheran church in Stewartville. There will be second service later in Rockford, Ill where the Nelsens had many happy years and connections with friends and business contacts. If any Club members want the home address of either family, contact [clarew60@gmail.com](mailto:clarew60@gmail.com). I will not be posting addresses in something like this newsletter, protecting the address privacy.

\*\*\*\*A committee of our Kiwanis Club met and determined to make \$50 contributions in the honor of Nancy Nehring and Carol Nelsen. Both contributions will be sent to their respective churches. Below is photo of flowers sent to both funerals.



**Club note:** There are 5 Thursdays in **June**, so it was determined that the Fifth Thursday meeting will feature a club business agenda. No Program. Good attendance is special at these, so put it on your calendars now.

**Another Club note: President Austin (Co-)** A 'Litter Bit Better' will be held May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Austin is organizing it so we can do the pickup early enough that we can go for a meal or refreshment together afterwards. In the past it has been as close to 'fun' as a bunch of seniors can have.

**Reading to Kids** Austin, Linda and one more did the 'Reading for Kids' this week. They said it was a lot of fun and very successful contact with children. (Sorry we don't have the third person, but no one at the table remembered 30 seconds after we were told and didn't remember to get it after the meeting. That sure says something!)



## April Students of the Month



**Ella Lennon** was our student from Lourdes High School this month.

Presentation is by Colleen Maddox. She is daughter of Sarah and Ryan Lennon. Ella was nominated by the Fine Arts Dept. Ella has demonstrated a broad and thoughtful perspective of Art. She goes about her work as a student of art, and as a person with enthusiasm and humility. "Recognizing Ella as the Kiwanis Student of the Month in Fine Arts is our way of celebrating that."

In sports she does the shot put and discus. Oh yes, horse riding.

She says that plans beyond high school will be pursuing a major at South Dakota State University for Animal Science. Then she would like to go to vet school and become a large animal veterinarian. Alongside her future career path, she'd also like to keep her passion of making music and art. She may not be going to college for music or her art, but she is confident it will always be a part of her life.

Ella has a letter in USEF (equestrian federation)  
Letter in Choir  
Honor Roll  
Placed in U.S. Pony Club  
National Society of High School Scholars

Olivia Ott was



presenter her certificate by Bonnie Schultz.. Olivia is daughter of Michelle Ott-Lind and Christopher Ott (step-father)

Olivia was nominated by the Special Education Dept. at Mayo High School. They felt that she is an amazing student who tries very hard in all her classes. As a TA in class, she demonstrates to other students the exemplar of a great student. She is also will to help wherever and whenever needed.

Extracurricular Activities included Varsity soccer, MN RUSH in Rochester, works at Caribou and attends classes at RCTC as a PSEO student.

Olivia plans to attend UW Superior to become a physical therapist.

Some of her honors along the way have been Ms Poppy for American Legion Post 92, Junior Varsity 2018 Lady of the Year. Lettered for Varsity Soccer 2019, 2020, and 2021 Junior Varsity Defender of the year 2019

**You might not know this...but a lot of non-living objects are actually either male or female.**

**FREEZER BAGS:** They are male, because they hold everything in...but you can see right through them.

**TIRES:** Tires are male, because they go bald easily and are often over inflated

**HOT AIR BALLOONS:**  
Also a male object...  
Because to get them to go anywhere....you have to light a fire under their ass.

**HAMMERS:** Male.....  
Because in the last 5000 years.....they've hardly changed at all...and are occasionally handy to have around.

**THE REMOTE CONTROL:** Female. Ha!  
You probably thought it would be male....but consider this: It easily gives a man pleasure, he'd be lost without it...and while he doesn't always know which buttons to push...he just keeps trying