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KIWANIS CLUB OF ROCHESTER, Rochester, MN

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Coming Programs

May Programs, Circle of Service: Charlie Graham Bill Kalmes, Roger Krsnak

(note from Golden K.) Golden K'ers

On May 24th we marked our 40th Anniversary as a Club and we've decided to celebrate!!

This coming **Wednesday**, **June 14th**, **at the VFW Hall** at our regular meeting time -- **3 PM to 4 PM** -- we are planning to celebrate this significant Golden K milestone with light refreshments of cake, coffee, and other beverages and of course lots of good fellowship.

We hope our **Regular and Honorary Members alike** will make a special attempt to join us that day. **Please bring your spouses or a guest** as we share in this happy event together. Also, if you are talking with anyone and encouraging them to join us as a member of Golden K, please invite them as well. We have also invited members of the other Kiwanis Clubs in Rochester to join us and we hope a few of them will.

Don't miss this celebration of Golden K's 40 years of service and charity!

We hope to see you all there. Mike.....

Special Note from Kiwanis Governor:

Fellow Kiwanians,

This is your OFFICIAL CALL TO DISTRICT CONVENTION

> When: August 4-6, 2023 Where: St. Cloud, MN

Your club secretaries will be receiving more information in the mail in the next week or so but if you can't wait, the MNDAK website has all the latest information. Click Here

<u>Check out this</u> message from Rachael Disrud, Convention Chair

And now for a message from Governor Steve Handegaard

You are invited to attend our 106th annual Minnesota-Dakotas District Convention, "Caring for our Future," being held in St. Cloud, Minnesota. Our convention will be held August 4th-6th at the Best Western Kelly Inn.

This year's event will feature an inspirational keynote speaker, informational forums, food, music, entertainment, and a House of Delegates. You will have an opportunity to bond with old friends and acquire new ones. We welcome all members and friends to join us.

Our convention is a tradition that I as your Governor wish every Kiwanian could enjoy and participate in. Our conference is fun to attend. As a result, you will come away inspired with ideas to enrich your club.

The community of St. Cloud and the St. Cloud Kiwanis Club are excited about us celebrating our 2023 convention in their community. Please mark your calendar and we will see you in St. Cloud.

Yours in Kiwanis,

Steve

Steve Handegaard Governor 2022-2023

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16 Active members as of Oct 2023 *Senior Member **Privileged Member ***Honorary Member

**** Senior & Long Term Perfect Attendance *****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. District & International web sites:

www.kiwanis.org www.mndak.org

***Jim Bouquet ***Bob Fiss

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

Meetings last about one hour. Lunch is served including an entree, fruit, salad, and drink for (\$14.00)

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 guick 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.

Newsletter Changes Remember to call Clare Warren at 254-2087 if you have

2022-23 at www.kiwanisroch.org Colleen Maddox Roger Krsnak

Co- Presidents



Immed. Past Presidents Austin Jorgenson

Bill Kalmes Irv Nehring

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

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Co-Presidents next yr. are

#### (Still no names for co-Presidents for next year)

Pres. Austin had more details about the Rummage Sale, Flea Market, coming up soon. Pay attention. There are minor changes being made each week.

Place on your calendar that there will be no meeting July 6 due to it being 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday week.



### Some of this NL is a repeat of notes sent by Colleen. Since I am several weeks late, I'm trying to cover a lot of material. Bear with me....

#### Program May 4 was

**Brad Brech.** He serves as a Township Supervisor in Cascade Township. He is also active in the community as a Coach, Pine Island Pistol Club, and many years with Christmas Anonymous. He worked at IBM for 28 years. Brad gave us information on township policies, 65% of budgeting goes to road maintenance. They oversee elections, taxes and feels townships are true grassroots of government.

#### June 7 was the **Kiwanis night at the Pizza Ranch in Stewartville**. Membership attendance and helpers were adequate and all went well. Tips were good, so all adds to our funds that ultimately go for scholarships.

Thanks a lot to all who helped. That can be a fun work night for our club. Keep it, if we can. Thanks to Roger for heading the night.



Another Good Program by Don Borcherding. He has had a long connection to Oakwood Cemetery. He had pictures and a lot of history of who, when and the people involved. (I

missed his full uniform for talks, but.....)

#### Scholarship Students

The club handed out 3 \$1000 scholarships to graduating seniors in Rochester.



#### Sadie Johnston

She was student of the month previously. She is Graduating from Lourdes. She plans to attend Notre Dame, her first choice. She hopes

to attain a MBA in marketing.



Eli Haight from Lourdes plans to attend the U of Wis., Stevens Point to earn a degree in 'wildlife management'.



Lukas Brieske is from Mayo High school. He plans a career in aerospace engineering at Iowa State.

#### More Local Club News

Dell reports that he is recovering well after some 'personal' surgery last week. Good to hear that report.





Stephen Rose, Chairman of Rochesterfest

He gave a nice talk on some of the activities planned for this year's festival. Music,

farm breakfast and many activities are in the works. There will be a lot of publicity about the event, so keep your eyes open. It is always a big clean family event. It involves a lot of preparation. Enjoy!!!

June 17-25

Irv Nehring was present last week and had a full report on wedding plans and the progress on his new home construction. Good Wishes, Irv.

Dan Carlson reported on his trip to the hospital last week. He is looking fine and says things are OK. Good Trip, Dan. Sang Happy Birthday to Dan.... This is an item for all of us. I expect Austin to send out a reminder, but here is information about the 'flea market.' The Kiwanis meeting this week June 15 will NOT be at the Eagles. We will be at the Fairgrounds.

We will meet at 12:00 noon at the fairgrounds. Come early, if you can.

BYO food, your choice.I think we will have more reminders. Watch your Email.