



"The DOWNTOWNER"



KIWANIS CLUB OF ROCHESTER, Rochester, MN

www.kiwanisroch.org

December 2024

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

Meetings last about one hour. Lunch is served including an entree, side, dessert and drink for (\$14.00) Please bring exact change or a check.

Programs for December

Dec 5 - Olmsted County Environmental Services
Dec 12 - Celebration for Clare Warren
Dec 19 - TBD
Dec 26 & Jan 2 - NO MEETING
Programs for January - TBD



The 2023 Kiwanis Hockey Festival marked its 30th year of this wonderful, combined fund raising and sports tournament event.

Over \$770,000 has been raised and distributed to local youth and community service projects and other Kiwanis sponsored projects in the past 30 years. (No Hockey Festival in 2020 due to pandemic restrictions.) The needs of various youth and community organizations are reviewed each year for future hockey festival donations by the 4 participating Kiwanis Clubs and distributed by them.

Over 100 Kiwanians spent well over 1800 hours throughout the year planning and supporting the event and we expect even more effort to go into our next festival.

Location of Graham Arenas 1, 2, and 4
Olmsted County Fair Grounds (3rd Ave SE and 16th St SE)
1570 Fairgrounds Ave SE Rochester MN 55904

2024-25 ACTIVE MEMBERS	Home	Office or Cell
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12 Active members as of Oct 2024

*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 Colleen know.

District & International web sites:

www.kiwanis.org www.mndak.org

***Jim Bouquet	651-560-4292
***Bob Fiss	507-288-7480
*****Clare Warren	507-254-2087

Newsletter Changes

Remember to call Colleen (280-7911) or email landherrmaddox@gmail.com if you have anything you feel is newsworthy. Feel free to contribute something for publication! Be sure to read the roster once in a while and report any errors to Colleen

Copy on our website: www.kiwanisroch.org



2024- 2025 Officers/Chairs/Committees

Austin Jorgenson - President
Bill Kalmes - Treasurer
Don Borcharding - Secretary

Committees

Club Rep to District – President
Membership, Growth and Education – Dan Carlson
Public Relations – Mary Tompkins, Al Lun, Webmaster
Newsletter Editor – Colleen Landherr Maddox,
Community Services –
 Ditch Cleanup - Austin Jorgenson
 Veteran Liaison – Dave Nelsen
 Adopt-a-Family – Linda Hull
 Food for Kidz -
Youth Service - Key Club, Student of the Month Liaison, Scholarship Committee Chair, Reading Coordinator – Bonnie Schultz
PROGRAMS – CIRCLE OF SERVICE
Human and Spiritual Values – Colleen Landherr Maddox
Finance – Bill Kalmes, Linda Hull
 Cashiers – Linda Hull & Mary Tompkins
Eagle Club Liaison - Austin Jorgenson
Fund Raising – Pizza Ranch - Peanuts - Austin Jorgenson
Hockey Festival – Bill Kalmes, Del Lawson

THERE WILL BE NO NEWSLETTER IN JANUARY. EDITOR GONE.



Thanks to all who helped ringing bells on a VERY frigid day - Mary, Linda, Don, Colleen, Austin, Del, and Dan. Our shift raised \$792!



CHRISTMAS ANONYMOUS Store Day was Saturday, December 14, 2024. Monetary donations are always welcome.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by Kiwanis of Rochester to make a donation in the amount of \$500 to **CHRISTMAS ANONYMOUS**.
Christmas Anonymous
P.O. Box 791
Rochester, MN 55903
(507)285-3940
Thank you for your continued support of **Christmas Anonymous!**



Don and Principal, Travis Bain, Middle School Alternative Learning Center.

This program is designed to address the needs of students that typically cannot be met in regular schools. Student population consists of those performing substantially below grade level, experiencing physical or emotional abuse, mental health concerns, recently in transition or homeless and withdrawn from school or chronically truant. Every student has a personalized Continual Learning Plan. This plan helps students to set and attain

goals while enrolled. These goals might be academic, emotional or social, depending on the needs of the student. The Alternative Learning Center currently serves 45 students at the Friedel Building.



Austin and Anthony Wittmer, Olmsted County Environmental Resource Communication Specialist

Mr. Wittmer presented information on a wide area of Olmsted County's solid waste management system including the Recycling Center Plus, Hazardous Waste Facility, Yard Waste Compost Site, Waste-to-Energy Facility, and Kalmar Landfill. He also provided information on recycling and sorting household waste:



NO NEWSLETTER IN JANUARY. COLLEEN WILL BE IN LAS VEGAS.

WHAT A GREAT TIME CELEBRATING CLARE WARREN'S YEARS OF SERVICE AS A KIWANIS MEMBER. Clare's wife June, and daughter Shelly were able to attend the luncheon along with past members - Ron Inveldson and Bob Fiss. Wayne Jaspersen from Gold K brought greetings from his Club. Come for lunch ANYTIME!

