



# "The DOWntowner"



KIWANIS CLUB OF ROCHESTER, Rochester, MN

[www.kiwanisroch.org](http://www.kiwanisroch.org)

September 2024

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

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

## Programs for September

**Sept 5** - open meeting per Austin. Discussion about transition of club

**Sept 12** - weather permitting - meet in the garden grounds of Civic league child care to see what our donation created. Possible lunch at Townie's - Soldier Fields golf course.

**Sept 19** - school board candidate to present his platform your vote.

**Sept 26** - a travel discussion of my hike across England on Hadrians Wall. Pictures / power point of my adventure!

**Circle of Service for September**  
Del Lawson



**RUNNING START FOR SCHOOL**

Every year United Way of Olmsted County provides school supplies to thousands of students. Our goal this year is to provide 3,406 students with the supplies they need to succeed this fall. More than ever, families are facing financial difficulties that can make purchasing school supplies a challenge. We believe these financial circumstances shouldn't affect kids' learning.

The Club voted to make a \$500 donation to United Way of Olmsted County Running Start for School community program.

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### 17 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 Colleen know.

### District & International web sites:

[www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)    [www.mndak.org](http://www.mndak.org)

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## Newsletter Changes

Remember to call Colleen (280-7911) or email [landherrmaddox@gmail.com](mailto: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**

**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.

**Copy on our website:** [www.kiwanisroch.org](http://www.kiwanisroch.org)



## 2023- 2024 Officers/Chairs/Committees

Roger Krsnak and Austin Jorgenson - Co-Presidents  
Colleen Landherr Maddox and Roger Krsnak – Immediate Past Presidents  
Bill Kalmes - Treasurer  
Don Borcharding - Secretary

## Committees

**Club Rep to District – Co-Presidents**  
**Membership, Growth and Education – Dan Carlson**  
**Public Relations – Mary Tompkins, Al Lun, Webmaster**  
**Newsletter Editor – Colleen Landherr Maddox, Associate Editor – Clare Warren**  
**Community Services –**  
**Ditch Cleanup - Austin Jorgenson**  
**Veteran Liaison – Dave Nelsen**  
**Second Stork – Colleen Landherr Maddox**  
**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**  
**Cashier – Linda Hull & Mary Tompkins**  
**Eagle Club Liaison - Austin Jorgenson**  
**Fund Raising – Pizza Ranch - Roger Krsnak**  
**Peanuts - Austin Jorgenson**  
**Hockey Festival – Bill Kalmes, Del Lawson**

## PEANUT SALES

**September 6 & 7 at the 37<sup>th</sup> Street HyVee**



Colleen and granddaughter, Molly collected a carload of supplies from Second Stork and delivered them to Olmsted Community Hospital Birth Center.

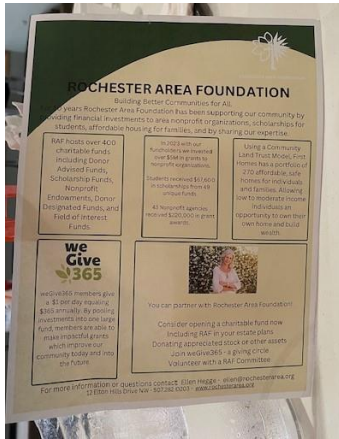


Don introduced speakers from Rochester Public Utilities, Todd Osweiler and his intern Martha who spoke on the Rochester water system and conservation.

Bonnie delivered books to Crisis Nursery. Jackie, staff member was delighted to have our donation.



Ellen Hegge spoke on Rochester Area Foundaton.



## Origin

P. J. McGuire, Vice President of the American Federation of Labor, is frequently credited as the father of Labor Day in the United States.

Beginning in the late 19th century, as the trade union and labor movements grew, diverse groups of trade unionists chose a variety of days on which to celebrate labor. In the United States, a September holiday called Labor Day was first proposed in the early 1880s.

Alternative accounts of the event's origin exist. Descendants of two men with similar last names claim their great-grandfather was the true father of the holiday.

According to one early history of Labor Day, the event originated in connection with a General Assembly of the Knights of Labor convened in New York City in September 1882. In connection with this clandestine Knights assembly, a public parade of various labor organizations was held on September 5 under the auspices of the Central Labor Union (CLU) of New York. Secretary of the CLU Matthew Maguire is credited for first proposing that a national Labor Day holiday subsequently be held on the first Monday of each September in the aftermath of this successful public demonstration.

An alternative theory maintains that the idea of Labor Day was the brainchild of Peter J. McGuire, a vice president of the American Federation of Labor, who, after a visit to Toronto where he saw parades celebrating labor that May, had put forward the initial proposal in the spring of 1882. According to McGuire, on May 8, 1882, he made a proposition to the fledgling Central Labor Union in New York City that a day be set aside for a "general holiday for the laboring classes". According to McGuire he further recommended that the event should begin with a street parade as a public demonstration of organized labor's solidarity and strength, with the march



followed by a picnic, to which participating local unions could sell tickets as a fundraiser. According to McGuire he suggested the first Monday in September as an ideal date for such a public celebration, owing to optimum weather and the date's place on the calendar, sitting midway between the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Thanksgiving public holidays.

### **Unofficial end of summer**

Labor Day is called the "unofficial end of summer" because it marks the end of the U.S. culture's nominal summer season. Many take their two-week vacations during the two weeks ending Labor Day weekend. Many fall activities, such as school and sports (particularly football), begin about this time.

In the United States, many school districts resume classes around the Labor Day holiday weekend. Some begin the week before, making Labor Day weekend the first three-day weekend of the school calendar, while others return the Tuesday following Labor Day. Many districts across the Midwest are opting to begin school after Labor Day. In the U.S. state of Minnesota, the State Fair ends on Labor Day. Under state law, public schools normally do not begin until after the holiday. One reason given for this timing was to allow time for schoolchildren to show 4-H projects at the Fair.



This is the last weekend for the Minnesota State Fair. The Minnesota State Fair has unveiled 33 new foods that will hit the Great Minnesota Get Together.

As ever, it's a list filled with sticky sweet treats, over-the-top deep-fried concoctions. A few items:

### **Afro Poppers**

These deep-fried pastry balls are packed with an African spice blend of cardamom, cloves, ginger, nutmeg, and ground vanilla.

### **Strawberry Lemonade Donut**

Hand-cut yeast-raised donuts. They're frosted with lemon buttercream and rolled in lemonade crunch.

### **Korean Hot Dogs**

Chan's Eatery is a new vendor this year, and it's bringing on-trend Korean Hot Dogs. They're serving the panko-crust, deep-fried hot dog and mozzarella.

### **Don't miss out on the Kiwanis Malts**

With all the greasy, salty foods on hand, a simple malt can hit the spot on a hot day. The volunteer-run stand is a classic and the malt is just a straightforward malt. Choose between vanilla, chocolate, and strawberry. *Kiwanis Malts at Cosgrove St. between the Fine Arts Center and 4-H Building*