

1968-2005
37 Years of Service



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THEME FOR 2004-2005

"ALPINE
AKTION –



BETTER THAN
WORDS"

Alpine NEWS

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President's Message

I'm sure everyone reads the Kiwanis magazine from cover to cover. However, I felt that the following statement warranted repeating. I first heard this powerful statement at our I-I District Mid-Winter Conference, and shared it with the Alpine Kiwanis Board at our February meeting. The Kiwanis International Board recently approved the following sentence [see page 9, February issue of Kiwanis Magazine], as **the organization's defining statement.**

"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one community and one child at a time."

Clearly this vision cannot be realized without members, many new members all over the world, which brings me to page 2 in the same magazine, where Kiwanis International President, Case Van Kleef, reflecting back on the 90th anniversary celebration in Detroit, challenges Kiwanians to step up to five goals as we look forward to the 100th anniversary celebration in 2015. I will leave reading most of the goals to each of you. However, the first goal, **Our Voice** – Kiwanians will be a powerful voice for children and communities worldwide, requires Kiwanis to expand in every country and every community. Case asks each of us to quiz ourselves with the following:

How can I significantly increase membership?

How can I increase membership retention?

How can I increase diversity in membership?

How can I attract and retain younger members?

How can I personally maintain and/or increase enthusiasm of my members in my club?

How can I effectively communicate the image of Kiwanis?

Upon becoming president last September, I felt that this club could easily count on a dozen members achieving "Distinguished Kiwanian" at the International level. After all, two of the requirements are within the behavioral expectations of every Kiwanian. Namely, recruit two (2) new members, and participate in two (2) service projects. The third requirement, attend both the mid-winter and district conventions, is perhaps a little more difficult but achievable with both conferences being held so close to home. We can still have a dozen Alpine Kiwanians achieve the first two of these requirements, which would bring our total membership to 100+ for the first time in over two years.

More Members = More Service

Hay

DIRECTORY UPDATES

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NOTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING, MARCH 29, 2005

Charities Committee Report

Approved Request RVC Whiz Kids Scholarships for Summer Enrichment	\$ 750.00
Goldie Floberg Funds for Children's Furniture Project	\$1,000.00
Illinois Growth Enterprises Project Relief and Rebuild	\$1,500.00
Rockford Lutheran Ministries Support for Park PLAYers Program	\$1,000.00

WORTH THE MENTION ...

Did you know that the Alpine Kiwanis Club performed 241.00 service hours? Yeah, for us!! If you want to see this number go up, be sure to report your community service on the cards at the center of the table at our weekly meetings

Please note – All External Communications should be “communicated” to Marge Hamburg our PR Committee chair.

Did you know that Alpine Kiwanis has an Endowment Fund? Today it stands at \$67,778.34. You donate - it grows and we will be able to give more money to our community. With Mother's Day and Father's Day coming up, why not make a donation to the Endowment Fund in honor of or in memory of your loved one?

The Aktion Club is getting off to a great start. The members are enthused and engaged in the process of learning how to become a Kiwanis Club. If you have time, join in on supporting people with disabilities as they learn how to lead and give back to the community. Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at Rock Valley College, Rm 1222 at 4:45-5:45 p.m. It's on the bus line!

Playground Project: A special thanks to all who participated in the joint project with the Kiwanis Clubs of Winnebago County and Kids Around the World in building the playground for Rockford Day Nursery and Learning Center. Despite the snow, we had a great time and the kids have a terrific playground to enjoy.

Projector Fund: We are trying to raise money for a projector to be used in presentations at our club meetings. Please save your ink cartridges and old cell phones, we are getting \$\$ for them or if you wish to make a donation towards this, please bring whichever to our weekly meetings.

Looking for a Volunteer Opportunity? Volunteer for the Taste of Rockford June 17th and 18th sponsored by the Rockford Area Chamber of Commerce. Call Verla at 987-8100.

Mark your calendars that you'll be volunteering on July 15th and 16th. **Alpine Kiwanis Brat Days** – our major fundraiser to give back to the community.

BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date April	Name	Date May
Bob Baker	01	Thomas Peterson	09
Doug Herriott	01	Everett Johnson	12
Arlene Henderson	14	Gil Dohlen	17
Wendy Davenport	17	Dominic Mencarini	17
Anne Wilson	23	Steve Albers	19
Scott Robinson	24	Dana Krau	25
Jeannie Sullivan	26	Michael Simmo	27
Dean McMorris	27	Loren Johnson	29

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date April	Name	Date May
Marge Hamburg	08	Tom Anderson	23
Doug Herriot	26	John McCue	24
Dan Larson	30	Ralf Jansson	25
		Larry Hedberg	26

WORD OF THE DAY

Mar. 10 – Jeannie Sullivan

Though we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us or we will find it not.

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

Mar. 24 – Gary Hunt

We make a living by what we get – We make a life by what we give.

Mar. 31 – Karen Tilly

The time to repair the roof is when the sun is shining.

– John F. Kennedy

A LOOK BACK IN TIME ... WAY BACK

Vol. 13 #14 March 31, 1980

Total club membership 88

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Plans finalized for holding Division 12 Family Picnic and Weekend Camporee at Merrick's Sugar River Camp-ground, Shirland, IL May 2-4

The new South Beloit Club, "Rock River, Rockton, Roscoe, So-Beloit" Kiwanis Club, held their organization night on March 26, 1980. The meetings started at So. Beloit Holiday Inn on Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m.

Vol. 13 #16 April 28, 1980

Also underway was the formation of a Circle K. Club at Rockford College. Actually it was the revival of the one that was there several years earlier under the advisorship of Dr. Curtis Moore who was the Dean at the college, and a "downtown" Kiwanian.

Respectfully submitted,
Kanwal Prashar

Programs

- April 14** Joe Novak, NIU Coach – Jeff Wallem
April 21 Dave Whitehouse – Key Club
April 28 Nancy Sylvester – Moderating a meeting
May 5 Dave Whitehouse – Scholarship Awards
May 12 Superintendent, Dr. Thompson – School District 205

Greeters

- April**
 14 Jeannie Sullivan Ralf Jansson
 21 Bob Stadtmueller Everett Johnson
 28 Kathy Taylor Loren Johnson
May
 05 Robert Thorsen Kim Kaufman
 12 Karen Tilly Jerald Kopp

Word of the Day / Invocators

- April**
 14 Gary Ven Rooy Michael Mann
 21 Jeffery Wallem James Maney
 28 Tom Weingartner Eugene Maule
May
 05 Al Weir John McCue
 12 Jim Welte Larry McGee

K-TRIVIA

Apr 05. The first Kiwanis headquarters, a two-room office, was opened in Chicago in 1918. Kiwanis continued to rent larger and larger offices in the "Windy City" until 1957, when the first Kiwanis International building was dedicated. This building served Kiwanis for 25 years but was eventually outgrown. In 1982 the sale of this valuable property allowed construction of a larger building in Indianapolis, a site with lower costs and greater convenience than downtown Chicago.

NEXT DEADLINE: **May 5, 2005**

ALPINE NEWS EDITORS

Judy Phillips – Co-Editor874-2031 home

Kim Kaufman – Co-Editor484-4658 home

John McCue – Directory.....332-5542 home

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Scott Robinson

Scott is an attorney with the firm McGreevy Williams. He considers it an honor and privilege to be part of a noble profession, contrary to popular perception. Growing up in Crystal Lake/Woodstock, he had a rough go of it in his early years, being orphaned at 13 and kicked out of his sister's home at 17. He dropped out of school and obtained his GED and began his college career at McHenry County College. After a year he transferred to NIU where he studied journalism and in his Jr. year became interested in Law.



Between graduating from NIU and starting Law School, he worked at a homeless shelter for women and kids in Libertyville and at the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago. He attended law school at U of I and in his third year took his job here in Rockford.

Through all he has experienced in life, he is thankful for the position he now holds, for all his blessings, including his beautiful wife Becky. His hobbies include building and flying radio controlled airplanes, reading, collecting World War II military relics and Halloween paraphernalia.

Michael Mann

Michael is the Associate Pastor at Court Street United Methodist Church. He has called Rockford home for almost 2 years and is looking forward to getting to know it better. He is originally from the south (God's own country), Birmingham, Alabama. After college he moved to New Jersey to attend Princeton Seminary where he was able to travel during the summer. He has been to Latin America and India and liked India so much he decided to return and work there after Seminary. He spent a year and a half with the National Council of Churches in India. Being with the Church, he was shipped to Chicago to work with a faith and labor group before coming to Rockford for his first pastorate. Last October he was married to his wife at the Court Street Church. They look forward to being here for as long as the Holy One (and the United Methodist church) allow them to be. To him, Kiwanis is an opportunity to meet like-minded folks who desire to serve our community. Though he's from "God's own country", through service and idealism Kiwanis is teaching him what it means to live amongst God's own people.



Alpine Kiwanis Web Site: www.alpinekiwanis-il.org

Alpine Kiwanis Meets Weekly:
Thursday, 7:10 a.m. at the Hoffman House

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KIWANIS CLUB

Alpine



TAKE AIM



In honor of our memory of Bob Wildman, our dear Kiwanian friend.

In the words of his wife,
Lois:

“At Bob’s memorial service I took the platform, I spoke of Bob as a husband and father, telling of his love for his family and me. I told of how Bob would always drop me off at the door of places to which we were going, while I waited inside for him to park. I said that this time I was dropping Bob off at the gate of heaven, so HE could wait inside for ME. I’m sure that Bob has heard from his Lord, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. For there truly was a man sent from God, and his name was Robert.’ ”

Several years ago, in his “Take Aim” column, Bob Wildman wrote the following:

Real Life Messages Get Lost in Translation.



Paris Hotel Elevator:
“Please leave your values at the front desk.”


Bucharest Hotel Lobby: “The lift is being fixed for the next day. During that time we regret you will be unbearable.”

In a Hotel in Athens: “Visitors are expected to complain at the office between 9 and 11 daily.”

And Outside a Hong Kong Tailor Shop: “Ladies may have a fit upstairs.”

He went on to write, “How often our words fail to reflect what we really mean. How often our lives fail to reflect the God we profess.”

Well, Bob never failed to reflect his God. And so, in honor of Bob Wildman, let’s all continue to —
Take Aim



Take Aim will continue as a tribute to and in loving memory of Bob Wildman and will be sponsored the Spiritual Aims Committee.

