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I-I District Secretary  
TERRY CUNEFARE

THEME FOR 2003-2004  
**IMPROVING THE LIVES OF  
THE CHILDREN OF OUR  
COMMUNITY**

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## President's Message

### THE 89th ANNUAL KIWANIS' INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

What an experience it was to attend the 89th Annual Kiwanis' International Convention in St. Louis, MO! The event was held from June 24th through the 29th with over 4,100 delegates from more than 2,500 clubs attending. The participants had an opportunity to be involved in workshops, seminars, tours, and to reacquaint themselves with friends from all over the United States and the world. However, the most important part of the convention was to elect the next slate of officers and to vote on the amendments to the bylaws.

The election of officers is always exciting. And this year was no exception. The delegates unanimously chose President-Elect Van Kleef as the next Kiwanis International President. He is a former Lieutenant Governor of the I-I District and currently is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Plover, Wisconsin. The delegates also elected Steve Siemens from the Nebraska-Iowa District as the 2004-2005 International President-Elect. Steve resides in Des Moines, IA. These two positions were uncontested.

It was a different story when the first contested position for International Vice-President/Treasurer came up for a vote. Four candidates were presented, and since the International Bylaws require that a candidate receive a majority of the votes, a second balloting was needed to elect Nelson Tucker from the California-Nevada-Hawaii District. And would you believe that he won by only three votes!

The I-I District was very well represented and successful in this election, too. Paul Palazzolo from Springfield was elected to a three-year term as an International Trustee, and that is good news for the I-I District, because Paul could become an International President in the future. Oh, yes, Paul did get the highest number of votes of the three candidates that were elected.

The business which was conducted during the second delegate session dealt with the motion to combine the Kiwanis' International Constitution with the Kiwanis' International Bylaws and also to address eleven amendments to the Bylaws. The merging of the constitution with the bylaws was successful. The eleven amendments were thoroughly debated and five of them passed, five were defeated, and one was declared moot.

Amendment #2 is of significant importance, because it provides for the collection of annual dues, effective October, 2005. It was one of the five amendments that passed.

This was my second time as a delegate to the Kiwanis' International Convention. I found it to be a great learning experience and one that I would recommend to each one of you. Next year's convention will be held in Hawaii, and so give some thought to joining our delegation on this exciting adventure.

Fraternally, George Hayward

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

### ***New Members:***

Maleeah L. Cuevas  
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Country Insurance & Financial Services  
2126 N Perryville Rd  
Rockford, IL 61108  
(B) 501-1688  
e-mail: [Maleeah.cuevas@countryfinancial.com](mailto:Maleeah.cuevas@countryfinancial.com)  
Hobbies: Cooking, boating, camping  
Sponsor: Jim Merrick

### ***Resigned:***

Ralph Billingham  
Jeff Rupp

## WORD OF THE DAY:

### ***July 1 – Ralf Jansson***

Everyone has a photographic memory, some of us just don't have any film.

Light travels faster than sound, so now you know why some of us seem brighter before we speak.

### ***July 8 – Bob Conner***

The world is made up of givers and takers. Takers eat better, but the givers sleep better.

### ***July 15 –Everette Johnson***

The ideal thermostat in the home is warm hearts not hot heads.

### ***July 22 –Loren Johnson***

By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step – He's too old to go anywhere.

### ***On a more serious note –***

You have it easily in your power to increase the sum total of this world's happiness now –  
How ?? you might ask?

By giving a few words of sincere appreciation or encouragement to someone who is lonely or discouraged. Perhaps you will forget tomorrow the kind words you say today, but the recipient may cherish them over a lifetime

– Dale Carnegie

### ***July 29 – Steve Kiley***

All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.  
– Walt Disney



## TAKE AIM....

A man had been bragging that he had just purchased the finest hearing aid available, and his hearing was so very much improved!

A friend asked him, "What kind is it?"

The man answered, "Oh, about 2:30."

Sometimes we do hear nearly as well as we think we do—especially when it comes to hearing the still small voice of God. Have you taken the time to talk to God and hear Him speaking to you?

Take Aim — listen!

Robert Wildman

## NOTES FROM THE JULY BOARD MEETING

**Bulletin Committee** – Brat pictures are on the web  
[http://www.alpinekiwanis-il.org/2004gallery/2004\\_gallery.htm](http://www.alpinekiwanis-il.org/2004gallery/2004_gallery.htm)  
The 2004-2005 directory is just around the corner, please get any updates you may have to John McCue.

**Citizenship Committee** – We will be having a Peanut Butter Rally from August 19th through September 16th to help out the Rock River Valley Pantry. Bring your jar or jars to one of our meetings between these dates.

**Young Children, Priority One Committee** – Distributed flyers about Shaken Baby Syndrome to young mothers.

**Charities Awards** – The proceeds from the 2003 Brat Days fundraiser have been disbursed for this Kiwanis Year. Any future fund requests will be forwarded to the 2004 – 05 Charities Committee.

Approved Requests (July) Total	\$1,650
Sara Ingrassia – Jackie Confer Dictionary fund	\$ 500
Division 12 Amadore Award	\$ 500
Scholarship Endowment Fund	\$ 250
Rockford/Beloit Tiger Woods Foundation Comm.	\$ 400

**Capital Request Recommendation – Category Member**  
Rosecrance Health Network \$5,000

The Charities Board recommends that the payment of \$5,000 for the 2004-2005 Kiwanis year be made from the Young Children Priority One Fund which has a balance of \$6,192.57.

**NOTE: A vote on the Rosecrance pledge of \$5,000 will be held at the Club Meeting on August 19th.**

## A LOOK BACK IN TIME.....

**Sunday, June 24, 1979**, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. an "Open House" held at Walt Nordbergs to 'honor' our new American citizens Ralf Jansson and Kanwal and Meena Prashar.

Kiwanis International Convention in Toronto, **July 1-4, 1979** – Walt Nordberg, Bill Milligan, Jim Welte, and Dudley Dean to attend.

Preparations well under way for the 8th annual Bratwurst days in Rockford (WURST TIME is the BEST TIME) on **July 20-21, 1979**.

Orientation for new members initiated on a regular basis in **July, 1979**.

Respectfully submitted, Kanwal D. Prashar

## BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date August	Name	Date September
Jeffery Rupp	01	Judy Phillips	02
Ted Liebovich	03	David Helland	03
Jim Merrick	09	Ron Janecek	04
Al Kaser	10	Kathy Taylor	04
Nancy Sanders	13	Ward Sterett	07
Bob Brown	15	Mary Ann Gaunt	08
Todd Scott	15	Robert Thorsen	09
Angelo Caruana	17	Keith Forberg	14
Al Cramer	22	Bill Milligan	14
Robert Slack	20	Gary Hunt	16
John Heisel	24	Ron Miller	16
Ron Oldejans	25	Harry Palm	18
		Dave Mondul	21
		Daniel Larson	26
		Kanwal Prashar	27

## ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date August	Name	Date September
Randy Larson	05	Michael Simmons	01
Vincent Facchiano	10	Jerald Kopp	03
Al Weir	12	Binah Wing	03
Robert Herro	17	Doug Bickford	09
George Hayward	19	Curt Moen	10
James Welte	22	Gary Ven Rooy	15
Stephen Kiley	25	Ted Plum	19
Dave Whitehouse	25	Nancy Sanders	23
John France	31	Keith Forberg	26
		Ron Janecek	29

## INTERCLUB SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, August 17** – Rockford Kiwanis Club, 12:00 Noon, The Learning Center, 207 N. 1st. St., Rockford

**Wednesday, August 25** – Rock Valley Heritage Kiwanis Club, 7:00 a.m. – Stockholm Inn, 2420 Charles St., Rockford

**Wednesday, August 25** – Rockford Golden K, 9:00 a.m., Christ United Methodist Church, 4509 Highcrest Rd., Rockford

**Tuesday, September 7** – Carlson K-Kids, 11:15 a.m., Carlson School, Pepper Drive, Rockford

**Tuesday, September 14** – Rockford Kiwanis Club, 12:00 Noon, The Learning Center 207 N 1st Street, Rockford

**Wednesday, September 22** – Rock Valley Heritage Club, 7:00 a.m., Stockholm Inn 2420 Charles Street, Rockford

**Wednesday, September 22** – Rockford Golden K, 9:00 a.m. Christ United Methodist Church, 4509 Highcrest Rd., Rockford

### K-Trivia

The first Kiwanis club was organized in Detroit, Michigan, USA, in 1914. The group received a charter from the state of Michigan on January 21, 1915 – the day that is regarded as the birth date of Kiwanis. The club's name is Detroit Kiwanis Club No. 1 in recognition of its heritage.

## Programs

<b>Aug. 5</b>	Youth Services
<b>Aug 12</b>	Lay Person of the year
<b>Aug 19</b>	Fish farming and future of the sea; Herb Page
<b>Aug 26</b>	A Conversation with Lincoln; George Buss
<b>Sept 02</b>	Hobbies: Wood turning; Bruce Dearborn Antique Farm Machinery; Dr. Dave Helland
<b>Sept 09</b>	Membership

### SPECIAL EVENTS:

**SAVE THE DATE!** Friday, August 20th for a fish fry and a ride on the Forest City Queen!!!

This Thursday, please be prepared to sign up if you can for this special event. We just found out that the boat trips are filling up fast, fast, fast. The boat will hold 32 people and we need a minimum of 25 to go!

The cost will be \$16 each, and it includes the boat ride, fish fry and a Ski Broncs show. Trip will last approximately 2 hours. The boat will depart at 6:15, so plan on getting to the boat by 5:45. Hope you can make it! Let's fill up the boat!!!

### Greeters

August		
12	Ron Janecek	Ken Whitmore
19	Ralf Jansson	Loren Johnson
26	Kurt Jensen	Steve Kiley
September		
02	Jerald Kopp	James Wilson
09	Dana Kraus	Anne Willson

### Word of the Day / Invocators

August		
12	Chuck Lantz	Bob Baker
19	Dan Larson	Rahim Balsara
26	Randy Larson	Fred Beck
September		
02	Ted Liebovich	Harold Branstiter
09	James Maney	Doug Bickford

### WORK SERVICE

August 28	Sinnissippi Park	Sophie Davis Michael Simmons
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**NEXT DEADLINE: September 1, 2004**

### ALPINE NEWS EDITORS

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## **KIWANIS BIO – MALEEAH CUEVAS**

I am originally from Southern California where I grew up in a small town in north San Diego County. The city of "Vista" was known for its plentiful strawberries and avocados. I grew up being very active in 4-H where my interests included

raising guide dog puppies for the blind. I raised more than ten dogs to help a guide dog school in San Rafael, California. I distinctly remember presenting one of these dogs to a young blind woman from Colorado. The guide dog that I raised changed her life, and in turn changed my life. I also raised goats, rabbits and other animals. I had wonderful parents who allowed me incredible opportunities to grow in leadership roles.

One of the most life-changing events I participated in was a 4-H exchange program to Japan at the age of fourteen. Wow! To experience a vastly different culture at an early age certainly changes ones perspective. I later went on to return to Japan twice more and studied Japanese for more than ten years.

As a high school student I worked for a local supermarket for several years and put myself through college. I then took a position with the Sheraton Corporation where I was a manager for a large convention property in San Diego.

I continued my education at the Monterey Institute of International Studies in Monterey, California where I received a Masters Degree in International Business Management and Public Administration.

After marrying my soul mate Frank more than thirteen years ago, we found our way to Illinois to visit relatives and decided to try out life in the Midwest. What a wonderful husband I was blessed with and an incredible father he has been for our children. We have two sons and two daughters. Winston, 11 will be entering 6th grade this fall, Carson, 8 will be in 3rd grade, Abigail, 7 will be in 1st grade, and Conrad, 5 is finishing pre-school this year. They attend Christian Life School here in Rockford.

I have spent several years as an entrepreneur with my own businesses, which culminated in my joining Country Insurance & Financial Services as a multi-line insurance agent. I truly enjoy my profession, as I am able to help people plan for their futures with solid financial and insurance planning. When my clients tell me that they feel so much better after meeting with me and coming to a decision I know that I am in a special profession where I can really help people.

I have always led a service-oriented life and feel privileged to be part of an organization where again I can help give back to the local community. As a parent, I know that I must lead by example, thereby teaching my children the importance of acting as servants in their community.

Alpine Kiwanis Web Site: [www.alpinekiwanis-il.org](http://www.alpinekiwanis-il.org)

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

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**KIWANIS CLUB**

