



Alpine

E-NEWS

Alpine Rockford Kiwanis
meets weekly:
THURSDAYS
7:10 a.m.
HOFFMAN HOUSE
(eat at 6:45 a.m.)

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TAKE NOTICE!

Law Enforcement Torch Run
POLAR PLUNGE



Our third annual Polar Plunge will be on Saturday, March 3 at noon at Olson Lake in Rock Cut State Park. It is officially entitled the Law Enforcement Torch Run – Polar Plunge. It is the single largest fundraising event benefiting Special Olympics Illinois.

As the name implies, participants seek donations from friends, families, Kiwanians, etc. in exchange for jumping into the icy waters of Olson Lake. In 2006, the water temperature was a balmy 34 degrees. Our Polar Plunge is one of 16 Polar Plunges that will be held in Illinois from February 23 to March 10. All proceeds (100%) collected by Plungers will go towards fund raising events for Special Olympics Illinois.

In 2005 our goal was to raise \$7,000—we exceeded that goal by \$10,000, raising \$17,000. In 2006 (84 plungers), our goal was \$25,000. We exceeded that goal by nearly \$5,000, raising \$29,700. Our goal for 2007 is to raise \$35,000!

Registration for this event can be done in several ways. Registration at Olson Lake on March 3 begins at 11 a.m.—or you may register at our Kiwanis meetings—or online at www.soill.org/.

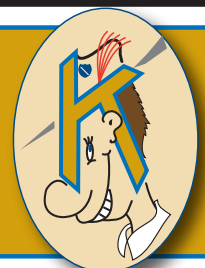
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ALPINE ROCKFORD KIWANIS • THEME FOR 2006-2007

SERVICE CLUB WITH A SMILE

Fun at meetings, sure! But more important, satisfaction from serving children.

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

| | |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| Feb. 8 | Verla Sterett – Membership Program |
| Feb. 15 | Surprise Celebrity |
| Feb. 22 | Dan Riggs – Rock Cut State Park |
| March 1 | TBA – TBA |
| March 8 | TBA – TBA |

Greeters

February

| | | |
|----|------------------|--------------|
| 8 | Jim Welte | Chuck Lantz |
| 15 | David Whitehouse | Randy Larson |
| 22 | Jon Whitmore | John McCue |

March

| | | |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| 1 | Ken Whitmore | Mark Lewis |
| 8 | Anne Wilson | Julie Lenth |

Word of the Day / Invocator

February

| | | |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|
| 8 | Steve Albers | Barbara Olson |
| 15 | Marlow Anderson | Harry Palm |
| 22 | Tom Anderson | Judith Phillips |

March

| | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Fred Beck | Ted Plum |
| 8 | Harold Branstiter | Kanwal Prashar |

BIRTHDAYS

| Name | February | Name | March |
|-------------------|----------|-------------------|-------|
| Larry Hedberg | 3 | Richard Reinhardt | 5 |
| Jim Hogfeldt | 4 | Amanda Meyers | 9 |
| Thomas Anderson | 6 | Gary Ven Rooy | 12 |
| Fred Beck | 6 | | |
| Eugene Sjostrom | 9 | | |
| Robert Conner | 22 | | |
| Vincent Facchiano | 28 | | |
| James Welte | 28 | | |
| Jonathan Whitmore | 28 | | |
| James Coffey | 29 | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

| Name | February | Name | March |
|-------------------|----------|------------------|-------|
| Jeff Wallem | 2 | Maleeah Cuevas | 14 |
| James Wilson | 2 | Jim Hogfeldt | 16 |
| Bruce Dearborn | 7 | Karen Tilly | 21 |
| Kanwal Prashar | 19 | Kenneth Whitmore | 23 |
| Harold Branstiter | 25 | Stephen Newton | 31 |

WORD OF THE DAY

Jan. 4 – Jon Whitmore

Nothing happens unless first a dream.

– Carl Sandberg

Jan. 11 – Loren Johnson

The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose – but mosquitoes come close.

Jan. 18 – Mary Ann Gaunt

Learn from other people's mistakes. It's a big time saver.

Jan -25 – James Wilson

The best made plans of mice and men often go awry.

– Robert Burns

There is no such uncertainty as a sure thing.

– Robert Burns

TAKE AIM

Paul Tillich, a very highly respected philosophical theologian of a generation past, wrote a dynamic sermon on "You Are Accepted." He wrote that "Grace is the acceptance of that which is rejected." So it is that God accepts us and we ought to accept one another.

In our world we have a strong propensity to live with others by singularly living with what we hold in common. Thereby we diminish others and ourselves to something less than the true self. If, however, we accept others, as well as ourselves, being fully aware of our differences or diversity, we all can live with more honesty and integrity. Then doors to understanding and appreciation open wide. Acceptance does not mean necessarily concurring or agreeing or even approving. It means taking in the person without asking that person to be less than the true self.

Aim for the grace of a more excellent way – acceptance.

Bob Conner

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I am very pleased to announce that Alpine Kiwanis is a tremendous supporter of Polar Plunge. We back this event with Plungers, 200 brats, personal dollars and motivational encouragement. This year we are celebrating the plunging of what is very likely the state's oldest Plunger—DoAnn Geiger. She is in her eighties and will be getting wet! As we all know, she is our Mrs. Special Olympics!!

PS: A Jimmy Buffett kick-off party for Polar Plunge will be held Saturday evening, **February 24 at 7 p.m. at the Tebala Temple** on Newburg Road. Please join us for some awesome music, awesome cheeseburgers (Hoffman House), awesome beverages and awesome fellowship. See you there!!!

Randy Larson

INTERCLUB

February 23, 2007: Northern Winnebago-Roscoe Club 6:45 a.m., Friday at Sophia's Restaurant, 5467 Bridge Street, Roscoe. Meet and leave from Alpine Bank (1700 N. Alpine Rd.) at 6:15 a.m.

March 7, 2007: Rock Valley-Heritage Club 7:00 a.m. Wednesday at Stockholm Inn, 2420 Charles St.

March 7, 2007: Rockford Golden K Club 8:30 a.m. Wednesday at Christ United Methodist Church (Highcrest & Alpine Road)

YCPO:

Dear Kiwanis Friends:

Once again, YCPO is forming a team for the March of Dimes WalkAmerica to raise money for our smallest of babies. As you probably know, this cause is very close to my heart, as the research accomplished by the March of Dimes helped to save my son's life. This year, there are many ways to support the event. Please choose one or more of the following ways in which to assist our Alpine Kiwanis Team:

- Sign up as a Walker
- Sponsor a Walker – (So far, my son and I are signed up for our team)
- Buy or sell Chocolate Bars – (New this year)
- Have your co-workers join our team or form their own team for your company
- Take a canister to work and collect donations
- Supervise a classroom dime collection (in which the kids can earn a pizza party)
- Have your company sponsor a Mile Marker (features your company name)

Please see me for information on any of these ideas at our next Kiwanis Meeting. I look forward to many, many of you participating in some way this year. I'm on the Committee for the Walk, so we really need to make a good show of involvement!

Thank you in advance.
Michele Wahl, YCPO

SPECIAL EVENTS

Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Midwinter Convention Feb. 9-10 in Burlington, Iowa: Governor's Dinner, Saturday, Feb. 10: *Governor Ken Whitmore will address the state of the district after the first four months of the Kiwanis year.*

Jimmy Buffett kick-off party for Polar Plunge: Saturday, February 24 at 6 p.m. at the Tebala Shrine Temple. Contact Randy Larson for details and visit the website at <http://www.islandbeachbash.com/> .

Polar Bear Plunge: Saturday, March 3 at noon at Olson Lake in Rock Cut State Park. Read *Take Notice* in this issue and contact Randy Larson for most details.

Special Olympic Games: Saturday, May 5 at Harlem High School. Contact Randy Larson for more details.



Kiwanis International Convention July 3-7, 2007 San Antonio, TX. The convention promotional brochure is available at www.kiwanis.org/convention/ . Register online or download registration form at <https://ssl.kiwanis.org/ssl/convention/2007/kireg.asp> .

Looking Forward

I-I District Convention August 9-12, 2007, Rockford, IL



Unlock unlimited adventure at CoCo Key Water Resort

The Alpine Kiwanis Special Events Committee and the Second Congregational Church UCC have planned an afternoon of unlimited adventure for you and your family at **CoCo Key Water Resort**

www.cocokeyresort.com/index.php?Rockford/index/ . Join us **Sunday, March 18, 2007 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Clock Tower Inn**. Costs only \$10.00 per person—checks payable to the Alpine Kiwanis. Sign up flyers will be on the tables at the Thursday meetings.

K-TRIVIA

The creation of districts is authorized by Section VI of the International Constitution. The International Board creates and supervises districts and establishes their boundaries. The district governor is the chief executive officer of a district and also an officer of Kiwanis International. Districts are organized into divisions, and the chief executive of each division is the lieutenant governor.

SPONSORED PROGRAMS

CARLSON K-Kids have been very active with many projects this year including collecting pennies for UNICEF, collecting can goods for the hungry in Rockford, and making Christmas greetings for the residents of Fairhaven. They are now celebrating Black History Month by making book marks with quotations of Martin Luther King, Jr. for everyone at Carlson Elementary School along with preparing and reading short biographies of 30 African-Americans who were inventors, visionaries, athletes, politicians, etc. THANK YOU to Mr. Davis, Mrs. Gallegos and Mr. Lai for your time and energies!

In following issues we will list some of the activities that ROCK VALLEY Circle K, GUILFORD High School Key Club and JEFFERSON High School Key Club have been involved with this school year. We thank you students and teachers!

BOARD BRIEFS

Accepted resignation of Bill Bartholomew, who is moving to the Hayward, Wisconsin area. Bill got away before we had a chance to recognize him for all his contributions.



Membership committee reports the need for a more intense membership drive. They will start the drive on February 8, where they will present their program at the regular meeting. Our whole club needs to be involved.

Kanwal Prashar reports on his efforts to start a new Kiwanis Club in India. He spent part of his recent trip there in this endeavor.

Special Olympics Polar Plunge is Saturday, March 3, with a goal of \$35,000. The Special Olympics Spring Meet is scheduled for Saturday, May 5.

Board passed a motion to instruct Team Bratwurst Committee to proceed with negotiations with Burpee/Discover to conduct a third Brat site at the Discover parking lot. (Note: this proposal is to be voted on at the regular meeting on February 8).

Return Service Requested

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