

1968-2005
37 Years of Service



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THEME FOR 2004-2005

"ALPINE
AKTION –



BETTER THAN
WORDS"

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President's Message

THE KIWANIS PLEDGE

In 1924, Kiwanians assembled in Denver to adopt the Objects of Kiwanis International. At the diamond anniversary of that occasion (1999), we rededicated ourselves to the Kiwanis principles of service and to these Objects that have guided us for seventy-five years. Therefore, be it resolved that:

All Kiwanians remain ever mindful of their commitment to service by adopting the following pledge:

THE KIWANIS PLEDGE

I pledge to uphold the Objects of Kiwanis International, to provide service to my community, to extend the opportunity of membership to all persons of goodwill, and to dedicate myself to serving the children of the world.

Be it further resolved that this become the official Pledge of Kiwanis International, to be recited at all club, district, and International meetings.

However, this is not the pledge that we recite at our weekly meetings! Instead, we recite a pledge developed by the Illinois-Eastern Iowa District. It goes as follows:

As Our Country's Flag Signifies Purity, Valor And Justice, May We As True Kiwanians Exemplify These Virtues AS WE BUILD.

A recent point of contention has been the use of 'These' vs. 'Those' Virtues in the last line. In Division 12, I am told that the Freeport Clubs use 'Those' and the Rockford and Rockton Clubs use 'These.' In my research I found six clubs who have posted the Illinois-Eastern Iowa District pledge on their Web sites. Four clubs use 'These' and two use 'Those,' which is about the same ratio as within our Division. For the time being, our club will stick with the version printed above.

My research is still ongoing. I have outstanding questions to some of the clubs who have posted the pledge on the Web as well as to the District Office.

Perhaps a more interesting question is **"What does our pledge mean?"** In my research, I found the following definition on the Plainfield, Illinois Web site. I liked what it said.

"A true Kiwanian strives for Purity, Valor and Justice in thought and deed in all aspects of life at all times."

The Kiwanis Pledge centers on the American Flag. Though the colors did not originally have specific meaning they have come to represent purity, valor and justice as these are three of the virtues that true Americans, and true Kiwanians, hold in the highest esteem.

Purity – the absence or degree of absence, of anything harmful, inferior or unwanted

Valor – courage, commitment ... the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or being deflected from a chosen course of action

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DIRECTORY UPDATES

E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGES:

Gil Dohlen: Dohlen@rockriver.net
Ted Plum: TedPlum45@yahoo.com
Les Ross: RoadPackR@aol.com
Les is retired and no longer at Rock Valley College

RESIGNATIONS:

Steve Kiley and Dan Larson

NEW MEMBERS:

Wilbur "Bill" Bartholomew
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no email
Birthday 12/14/26

Thomas G. Peterson
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Birthday: May 9
Anniversary: Sept 26

NOTES FROM THE DECEMBER 27

BOARD MEETING:

Membership Committee –

Resignation from Steve Kiley and Dan Larson were accepted by the Board.

Membership was approved for Bill Bartholomew and Thomas Peterson.

Charities Committee –

Approved Requests

Alzheimer's Association for Family Focus Series	\$ 500
RAMP for Upgrade of computer workstations	\$1,000
McBuddies School Supplies for support for 2005	\$1,000
Giving Back Internationally	

Tsunami Disaster Relief

Alpine Kiwanis voted on Thursday, December 30, to begin a Tsunami Relief Fund under Alpine Charities, Inc. with \$2,000 from the available 2004-2005 distributions. The club certainly encourages its members to spread the word of this fund as well as support it.

Contributions will be used 100% for Tsunami Disaster relief only. Any expenses incurred to disburse these funds will be paid by Alpine Kiwanis Charities Fund, Inc.

INTERCLUB

- January 19** – Wednesday, Rock Valley/Heritage, 7 a.m., Stockholm Inn
- January 26** – Wednesday, Freeport Lincoln/Douglas 7 a.m. at 4 Seasons. Meet 6 a.m. Alpine Bank on Alpine, east parking lot.

TAKE AIM

Ethel Romig Fuller has written:

"And now I have my New Year book to fill;
No word yet penned in it,
Nor any blot upon the clean white sheets,
The pages still uncut,
Though dated day by day.
Just what they will record, God only can foretell –
And, after all, perhaps it is as well."

What will you write in 2005? May this be a better year than 2004 with all of its violence and tragedy in Asia, Iraq, and the rest of the world. Be part of the solution. Write well!

Take Aim...
Robert Wildman

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report from YCPO:

Alpine Kiwanis is joining forces with other local Kiwanis Clubs (Heritage/Rock Valley, Golden K, Northern Winnebago, and Rockford (Downtown) to help Kids Around the World build two playgrounds for the Rockford Day Care Center. The day care has been forced to move due to the building of the new jail facilities.

The dates are set for March 9-12. We need everyone's help. All skill levels needed – we'll have jobs for everyone! Sign-up sheets will be circulated over the next few weeks. Three-hour shifts are available, but we can use any amount of help – sign up for what ever you can. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Sanders at 654-8349.

WORD OF THE DAY

Dec. 2 – Barbara Olson

It is a characteristic of wisdom not to do desperate things.

– Henry David Thoreau

When you have got an elephant by the leg, and he is trying to run away, it's best to let him run.

– Abraham Lincoln

Dec. 9 – Harry Palm

Thinking is the hardest work there is, which the probable reason so few engage in it.

– Henry Ford

Dec. 16 – Judy Phillips

It is almost impossible to smile on the outside without feeling better on the inside.

Dec. 23 - Ted Plum

"Remember that unhappiness is usually not a result of not having, but of not giving."

Dec. 30 – Kanwal Prashar

Those who are afraid of a fall; [They] shouldn't aim at standing tall.

– Kanwal D. Prashar

BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date	
	January	February
Kurt Jensen	03	Larry Hedberg 03
Fred Ellenberger	06	Jim Hogfeldt 04
Rahim Balsara	10	Fred Beck 06
Joe Etminan	10	Tom Anderson 06
Marge Hamburg	11	Frank Flower 07
John France	12	Gene Sjostrom 09
Larry McGee	12	Bob Conner 22
Steve Newton	12	Jim Welte 28
Harold Branstiter	14	Vince Facchiano 28
John Vanderheyden	18	James Coffey 29
Barb Olson	20	
Bob Herro	23	

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date	
	January	February
Dave Helland	04	Bruce Dearborn 07
Frank Flower	08	Dave Mondul 20

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued from page 1)

Justice – fairness or reasonableness, especially in the way people are treated and decisions are made

A true Kiwanian...

approaches all he or she does with honor and by always giving his or her all and would never consider making an inferior, half hearted attempt.

Is always truthful, fair, reasonable and honorable in both thought and deed.

Faces life and all of its challenges with a sense of courage and commitment never allowing him or herself to be deflected from a reasonable, honorable course of action.

Mary

K-TRIVIA

Did you know? Kiwanis International officially began 90 years ago on January 21. In honor of this celebration Alpine Kiwanis will print the International Kiwanis logo on the front of it's monthly newsletter for the 2005 year.

The first president of Kiwanis International was George F. Hixson of the Rochester, New York club. He was elected at the first convention in Cleveland in 1916 and re-elected the next year. He is the only International President to serve for two terms. The Hixson Fellowship of the Kiwanis International Foundation is named in his honor; Hixson medals are presented to donors who have contributed at least \$1,000 to the Hixson Endowment Fund or the Worldwide Service Project.

Programs

- Jan. 20** Bruce Quast, Political Cartoonist, Register Star – Bob Herro
- Jan. 27** Branda Brovold, Executive BTI Travel – Joe Etminan
- Feb. 3** Club Members (Engineers) Engineers Week – Feb. 22-28 – Joe Etminan
- Feb. 10** Scott Christiansen, Commuter Rail Service – Bob Conner
- Feb. 17** Roseann Cannariato, CASA – Tom Weingartner

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

(look for sign up sheets on the tables Thursday morning)

- Jan. 22** New American Theater – 2nd Annual Variety Show
- Feb. 12** Bingo Pot Luck
- Mar. 19** Easter Egg Hunt
- April 2** Fireside Dinner Theater

Greeters

January

13	Barb Olson	Vince Facchiano
20	Harry Palm	Frank Flower
27	Judy Phillips	Keith Forberg

February

03	Ted Plum	John France
10	Kanwal Prashar	Mary Ann Gaunt

Word of the Day / Invocators

January

13	Nancy Sanders	John Heisel
20	Todd Scott	Arlene Henderson
27	Michael Simmons	Doug Herriott

February

03	Gene Sjostrom	Jim Hogfeldt
10	Bob Slack	Ralf Jansson

NEXT DEADLINE: February 2, 2005

ALPINE NEWS EDITORS

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 Kim Kaufman — Co-Editor 484-4658 home
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MEET NEW MEMBERS

Thomas Peterson –

Tom is a lifelong resident of Rockford and a graduate of Guilford High School. He received an



Associates in Arts from Rock Valley College, attended NIU and graduated from Rockford College in 1997 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. After graduation he began his career in the financial service industry starting at RBC Dain Rauscher as a sales assistant and later became an investment advisor. Currently he works for Robert W. Baird & Co. as a financial advisor and holds the Chartered Mutual Fund Counselor designation. His investment philosophy is to work in partnerships with clients to establish a disciplined investment strategy that balances risk and return. He is in the process of writing an investment book called "Market Muscle."

He is married to Laura, and proud papa to daughter, Alexis, who will turn one in February. He is a die-hard Bear fan, enjoys bowling, fishing, golf, reading and military history. His favorite hobby though...spending time with family and friends.

Bill Bartholomew –

Bill was born and "raised" in Catasauqua, PA. He graduated from Whitehall High School at 16 and attended Westchester State Teachers College majoring in music education. He played clarinet and saxophone during High School and oboe and English horn in college orchestra and concert band. He was also a sportsman, playing soccer and basketball. He married Jane Fisher in August 1947 after being drafted in



1945. He graduated college after his return from Service in 1948. During his career in music he spent time in Haddon Heights, NJ, Valley Stream, NY and began his family. In 1957 he left teaching to enter seminary.

He graduated seminary in 1961 and served as pastor of a church in New Hyde Park, Long Island, NY before coming to Rockford in 1965. He served as pastor of Spring Creek Congregational Church for eight years and became a charter member of Alpine Kiwanis. He became the first full-time chaplain in the Winnebago County Jail and nine years later moved to Minnesota as chaplain in a maximum-security prison in Oak Park Heights. Upon returning to Rockford, Woodward "tapped" him to be a full-time chaplain for their local plants. His schedule now allows him more time and he looks forward to being active again in Alpine Kiwanis.



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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