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Theme for 2008-2009**



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This month's Kiwanis "Bulletin" comes to you just after our country's Independence Day. That day represents many things, but one that is important to us as Americans and as Kiwanians is the value of volunteerism. Our country was founded upon the principle of voluntarily giving oneself for the building of one's community and one's country. It is a principle that continues to set us apart from many others in the world, and it is the principle that defines membership in Kiwanis International -- "volunteers committed to changing the world one child and one community at a time." At the end of any day, it is the citizen member who has volunteered time, talent, and treasure for that work who is the true Kiwanian and, I think, the true American.

Michael Simmons, President

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS ... BRAT DAYS IS IN NEED OF HELP!

Jean Lopez is looking for a few good men ... and women ... and children to assist in staffing the three Brat Days sites, July 17-18. If you can volunteer your time, especially on Saturday afternoon and for clean-up Saturday evening, give Jean a call at 815-977-1711 (C) or 815-580-4412 (H). Both Logli locations (E. State Street and N. Alpine/Harlem Road) need more volunteers on both days, so round up your family, friends and neighbors and help a good cause. During the past 37 years, Alpine Kiwanis has distributed more than \$1 million to area charities from Brat Days proceeds.



THE BRAT DAYS OF SUMMER ARE ALMOST HERE!

The race is on and the first heat is almost complete in pre-selling Brat Days tickets for Alpine Kiwanis' biggest fundraiser, July 17-18. Bob Connor, Brat Days selling guru, challenged the membership during the Brat Days kick-off meeting on May 14, that with determination and mindset, we could exceed 2008's pre-sale total of \$70,000. Currently, we are falling far short of our goal with only \$47,000 to-date.

With the sluggish economy, it can be a challenge to sell tickets. However, Bob viewed this as an opportunity and opportunities create dreams. Bob's dream for our club is for each Alpine Kiwanian to sell **at least two tickets each week**. Bob encouraged everyone to ask friends, family members, co-workers and neighbors. When tickets are sold to an individual or business person, ask them if they know of someone else who would

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**Alpine Rockford
Kiwanis meets -**

**WEEKLY:
THURSDAYS
7:10 a.m.
HOFFMAN HOUSE
(eat at 6:45 a.m.)**

**MONTHLY:
LAST THURSDAY
6 p.m.
THUNDER BAY
GRILL**

IN REMEMBRANCE



Bradley (Brad) James Muzzarelli "Muzzy"

Bradley James Muzzarelli, 52, died Sunday, June 21 at home

with family and pastor at his side. He was born August 13, 1956 in Rockford to Barbara and James Muzzarelli. Brad graduated from East High School in 1976 and was a loyal E-Rab fan and manager of the football and basketball teams for 38 years. He was loyal to the Chicago Cubs and Bears teams.

He was an active participant in Special Olympics, swimming, bowling, track, baseball, volleyball and bocce, winning several gold medals in these events.

He was past president of the Kiwanis Aktion Club, an active member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, 10-87 Fire Buff, LLL Society, and East High Booster Club.

JUNE BOARD MEETING NOTES—

Ron Janecek

The Board of Directors meeting opened with a prayer at 7:08 a.m. The Membership committee presented two applications for approval: Stephen Newton, a past Alpine Kiwanian who is rejoining the club, and Adrienne Hare of Servpro of Rockford. Both applications were approved.

In other Board meeting news, the Administrative Fund as of June 30 is \$10,861.56. The Charities Committee recommended the following grants: \$1,000 to the Rockford Arts Council; \$1,000 to the Rock Valley Girl Scouts; \$1,000 to the Rockford Treasure Chest; and \$1,250 to Haven Network (grief management for children).

After much discussion, the setting aside of \$10,000 for a future Capital grant out of this year's funds was defeated. Chairman Helland commended his committee for their excellent work this year. The Charities Treasurer reported a balance of \$158,729.03, with \$50,784.18 in the Fundraising account.



Robert (Bob) H. Kuhlmeier

Robert H. Kuhlmeier, 85, Rockford, died at 9:09 a.m. on Saturday, June 27, 2009, at Wesley Willows Retirement Center. Born July 24, 1923, in Rockford, son of Elmer H. and

Annie Poole Kuhlmeier.

Bob served in the US Army in the Philippines during WWII and also was a proud member of the National Society of the Sons of The American Revolution. He graduated from Babson College in Boston in 1946. He and his wife Marge moved to White Dog, Ontario, Canada and raised rice for a time before moving back to Rockford where he owned Kuhlmeier Hearing Aid Co. for 30 years. He also started "Linda's Little Listeners" at Court Street Church using cochlear implant technology for the hearing impaired.

Bob was a member of Court Street United Methodist Church, Alpine Kiwanis Club, and SCORE.

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathies go out to our fellow Alpine Kiwanians who have lost loved ones during June:

- ◆ **Curt Moen** on the loss of his wife, Ruth, on June 9.
- ◆ **Kim Kaufman** on the loss of her father on June 14.

TAKE AIM

*This month, **Lois Wildman** has shared one of her husband **Robert's** TAKE AIM articles. The following was originally published in February 1999.*

In the movie, "OH GOD", the grocery store manager, played by John Denver, asks God, played by George Burns, what good coming among people and talking to them might do. God replies: "You never know . . . a seed here, a seed there; something will take hold and grow".

Remember that as you seek to reach out and touch a life – "a seed here, a seed there; something will take hold and grow".

BIRTHDAYS

Name	July	Name	August
Jean Lopez	3	Ted Liebovich	3
Curt Moen	5	Keith Kelsey-Powell	5
John McCue	8	Jim Merrick	9
Ted Plum	18	Larry Shernaman	18
George Hayward	23	Doris McLendon	23
Andrea Wight	25	John Heisel	24
Steve Ferrall	27	Ron Oldejans	25
		Leon Belardinelli	28
		J.D. Clemmons	29
		Cindy Hindes	31

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	July	Name	August
Robert Connor	5	Dave Nelsen	4
Shawn Ralston	5	Randall Larson	5
Mark Lewis	10	Vincent Facchiano	10
Harold Palm	11	J.D. Clemmons	11
Gary Hunt	16	Alan Weir	12
Ted Liebovich	16	Bob Herro	17
William Geske	21	Anders Gredenius	19
Steve Ferrall	27	George Hayward	19
James Merrick	28	James Welte	22
Eugene Sjostrom	28	David Whitehouse	25
		John France	31

WORD OF THE DAY

INVOCATOR

	July		July
Larry McGee	9	John France	9
Doris McLendon	16	Mary Ann Gaunt	16
Jim Merrick	23	Dave Gomel	23
Amanda Meyers	30	Anders Gredenius	30
	August		August
Roger Miller	6	Angela Hauser	6
Ron Miller	13	George Hayward	13

GREETERS

July	Name	Name
9	Mark Lewis	John Vanderheyden
16	Ted Liebovich	Jeffrey Wallem
23	Darrell Lindstrom	Tom Weingartner
30	Jean Lopez	Al Weir
August	Name	Name
6	Amy Maavich	Richard Welch
13	John McCue	Jim Welte

WORD OF THE DAY

May 28 (Kiwanis Nights) — Kim Kaufman

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle; the other is as though everything is a miracle. *-Albert Einstein*

June 11 — Darrell Lindstrom

1. Grief can take care of itself, but to get the full value of joy, you must have somebody to divide it with.
2. Doing nothing is very hard to do ... you never know when you're finished.

June 18 — Jean Lopez

Shoot for the moon because even if you miss, you'll land among the stars.

June 25 — Amy Maavich

Love is temporary insanity curable by marriage. *- Ambrose Bierce*

June 25 (Kiwanis Nights) — Megan Jungerberg

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.

- Sherry Anderson

NEW MEMBER

Leon Belardinelli
6849 Pin Oak Lane
Garden Prairie, IL 61038-9573
(H) 815-544-5201
Retired-Sundstrand
Sponsor: Ken Whitmore

INTERCLUB MEETING

Friday, July 10:
Northern Illinois-Roscoe Club, Sophia's Restaurant, Roscoe. Meet at Alpine Bank parking lot (North Alpine Road) at 6:15 a.m.

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like Brat Days tickets. The opportunities are endless! Bob also dreamed that each member of the club will sell **at least ten more tickets than last year.** With each person selling ten more tickets, as a club, we will raise about \$5,200 more in pre-sales to increase our charity work. This year's goal (pre-sale and day of event) is \$125,000—\$5,000 more than last year. Bob reminds everyone that when we remember the "why" of selling Brat Days tickets, we will find the "how" to sell.

This year's Brat Days will feature a new location and a new element to help boost ticket sales, besides offering great food and entertainment.

The Logli store at N. Alpine and Harlem Road is the new third location and will join the E. State Street Logli and the Edgebrook Shopping Center sites. A special ribbon-cutting ceremony at the new site will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 17, prior to the official lunch-time kick-off at 11:00 a.m.

The Brat Days Committee has been hard at work making this year's event even bigger and better. A new element, "Alpine Kiwanis Presents '23 WIFR-Take Your Brat To Work Day'", will be implemented at the N. Alpine/Harlem Logli location. Customers can "drive-thru" from 6:00—9:30 a.m. on Friday, July 17 and pick up a hot, juicy brat for breakfast for just \$2.50 each. A similar event in Madison, WI is a huge success, with morning commuters buying bagfuls of brats to share with their co-workers.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

July 9	Lifescape Puppet Program	Alan Jones	July 30	Discovery Museum	Bruce Quast
July 16	Amtrack To Rockford	Einar Forsman	August 6	Mildred Berry Center	Mitch Davenport
July 23	Crusader Clinic	Gordon Eggers	August 13	Wild Birds Unlimited Program	Bob Bailey

NEXT DEADLINE: THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2009

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