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

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President's Message

THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

On May 20 our club began its annual fund raising drive, known to all of us as the Brat Days. At that time each club member received 100 tickets to sell to the Rockford community by the beginning of the two day event, which this year will take place on July 16 and 17. It is imperative that each of us makes a commitment to reach this goal, because by being successful, our club will generate adequate funding to support the more than fifty charitable requests that are received each year, as well as to meet our financial commitment to the Northwest Community Center and the Lifescape Organization.

I know how difficult it is for many of us to sell these tickets. Therefore, I would like to offer to you a few tips that I found to be successful. First of all, make a commitment, that no matter what, you WILL sell all of the tickets by July 16. Try to sell at least twenty tickets during the first week, and then just ten tickets each week after that. Carry those tickets with you at all times and don't be afraid to ask your relatives, friends, neighbors, and clients to buy them. I have found that when I do that, I usually will make a sale. Also, as you make a few sales, you will gain confidence, and it will become that much easier for you to ask the next person. Before you know it, you will have sold the first fifty tickets, and you will feel very good about it.

You may wish to try this strategy to sell your remaining 50 tickets. Put on your Alpine Kiwanis' shirt and cap and your name badge and go from door to door in your neighborhood. You will be surprised how many tickets you will sell in a very short time. Because we have been involved with the Brat Days for many years, your neighbors will be aware of this fund raiser and will be glad to support it.

In addition to these suggestions, you may want to talk to the top ten sellers. They are the real experts who wouldn't mind sharing their tips with you.

During the past thirty plus years that our club has sponsored the Brat Days, the Rockford community has been very supportive of this event. As a result, numerous capital projects have been funded and many agencies have been helped. In fact, by having a successful drive this year, our donations to the community will surpass the \$1,000,000 mark. That's why it is so vital for each of us to sell the 100 tickets.

Fraternally,
George Hayward

DIRECTORY UPDATES

New Members:

Gary L. Ven Rooy
Rehabilitation Instructor
Center for Sight & Hearing
8038 MacIntosh Lane
Rockford, IL 61107
815-332-6800 Voice
815-332-6820 TTY
815-332-6810 Fax
gvenrooy@rockfordcenter.org

Gene Maule
Hunger Connection
Food Bank
Executive Director
320 South Avon Street
Rockford, Illinois 61102
815-961-7283

Deletion:

Patti Tombleson
Resigned due to a family transfer to St. Louis

WORD OF THE DAY:

May 6 – Larry Hedberg

Man's capacity for evil makes democracy necessary and Man's capacity for good makes democracy possible.

— Reinhold Niebuhr

May 13 – John Heisel

The choice is yours. You hold the tiller. You can steer the course in the direction of where you want to be – today, tomorrow, or in a distant time to come. — *W. Clement Stone*

May 20 – Arlene Henderson

As a financier, you might say old Noah was vastly underrated. After all, he floated his stock while everyone was being liquidated.

May 27 – Doug Herriott

Grandparents are both our past and our future. In some ways They are what has gone before, and in others they are what we become. — *Fred Rogers*

NOTES FROM THE MAY 25 BOARD MEETING

Special Olympics Committee – Two McDonald's coolers grew legs and ran away. If someone knows where they may be, please contact Jim Wilson. Approximately 150 Alpine Kiwanis volunteers helped out at the Spring Games. This number includes member, family members, Circle K and Key Club members.

Fundraising Committee – Still looking for corporate sponsorship. If anyone can help out in this area, please contact Gary Hunt or Gil Dohlen.

Interclub Committee – Please check your calendars. The sign up sheets for Interclubs for June and July are on the tables each week. We are looking to reach 100% participation.

Youth Services Committee – Collected 40 pounds of clothing for the Clothes Closet.

Charities Committee –

Approved Requests

Rockford Jail Outreach	\$ 1,000
Back To School Rally	\$ 1,000
Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries	\$ 750
Illinois Renewable Energy Assoc.	\$ 100
	\$ 2,850

Please note change– next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, June 22.

TAKE AIM....

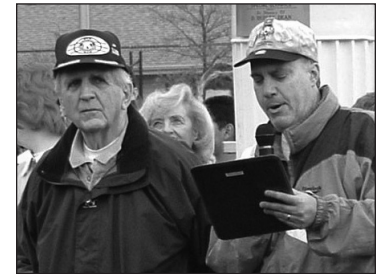
Philip Parham tells of two elderly women sitting on a park bench. One was crying. She sobbed, "Why, after all my years of obedience and prayer, hasn't God touched me? Why is He so far away?" She buried her head in her hands and wept. Suddenly, she raised her head and shouted, "He touched me! He touched me! I felt His hand! Praise God!"

Then she looked at her friend and saw that she had her hand on hers. Disappointed, she said, "Oh, no, Mary. It's only your hand. I thought it was God's!"

Mary replied, "Indeed it was my hand. What did you think God would be doing? Do you think He would make a long arm reaching out of heaven to touch you? He just took that hand nearest to you and used that."

Take Aim....You, too, can be the hands of God as you reach out and touch the lives of others.

AWARD TO GENE SJOSTROM MAY 2004



With Appreciation And Gratitude **GENE SJOSTROM** Alpine Charter Member 1968, In Recognition Of Your Many Years Of Dedicated Service, Your Kindness and Generosity, And Your True Compassion For The Human Condition.

We Would Especially Like To Recognize Your Efforts And Commitment To The Northwestern Illinois Special Olympics And The Meals On Wheels Program.

With Your Help And Support The **ALPINE KIWANIS OF ROCKFORD** Has Become One Of The Most Respected And Successful Charitable And Social Organizations In Illinois.

Interclub Schedule

Thursday, June 10 – Belvidere Kiwanis Club, 7 a.m., Steam Plant Restaurant, Belvidere. Meet at Hoffman House at 6:30 a.m.

Friday, June 18 – N. Winnebago-Roscoe Kiwanis, 6:45 a.m. Sophia's Restaurant, Roscoe. Meet at Alpine Bank on Alpine Rd. at 6:15 a.m.

Friday, June 25 – Rock Valley, Heritage Kiwanis Club, 7 a.m. Stockholm Inn, 2420 Charles Street.

Tuesday, July 6 – Freeport Noon Kiwanis, 12 noon, Four Seasons Center, 1100 W. Galena, Freeport, Meet at Alpine Bank on Alpine Rd. at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, July 13 – Rockford Downtown, 12 noon, Learning Center, 207 N. 1st St., Rockford.

Friday, July 23 – N. Winnebago-Roscoe Kiwanis, 6:45 a.m. Sophia's Restaurant, Roscoe. Meet at Alpine Bank on Alpine Rd. at 6:15 a.m.

BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date	Name	Date
Gene Maule	01	Curt Moen	05
Jeff Wallem	09	John McCue	08
Bruce Dearborn	12	James Maney	09
Al Weir	13	Ted Plum	18
Les Ross	20	George Hayward	23
David Whitehouse	21	Bob Kuhlmeier	24
Bob Lindman	26		
James Wilson	29		

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date	Name	Date
Judy Phillips	03	Bob Conner	05
Gil Dohlen	11	James Maney	10
Jim Yarwood	12	Harry Palm	11
Fred Ellenberger	13	Gary Hunt	16
Everette Johnson	14	Ted Liebovich	16
Mary Kroll	18	Anne Wilson	19
Steve Albers	18	Kurt Jensen	25
John Vanderheyden	21	Gene Sjostrom	28
Bob Slack	23	Jim Merrick	28
Jim Coffey	25		
Bob Baker	27		
Bob & Lois Wildman	29		
Gayle Dixon	30		

ALPINE KIWANIS 2004 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

On May 13, Alpine Kiwanis awarded seven \$1,000 scholarships to six high school and one college student. As follows:

1. **Raquel Davis** is an Auburn High School graduate who plans to attend Butler University majoring in Pharmacy.
2. **Christie Green** is a Harlem High School graduate who plans to attend Marquette University majoring in Journalism.
3. **Nadwa Hamed** is a Rockford College student majoring in Biology.
4. **Stephanie Kingsbury** is a Harlem High School graduate who plans to attend Carthage College majoring in Chemistry.
5. **Kristine Kuborn** is a Guilford High School graduate who plans to attend Rock Valley College then NIU majoring in Early Childhood Development.
6. **Traci Rapp** is a Harlem High School graduate who plans to attend Millikin University majoring in Theatre.
7. **Miravone Sadyphoud**, a Jefferson High School graduate who plans to attend University of Iowa majoring in Biology.

Programs

SPECIAL EVENTS:

July 16-17 Kiwanis Brat Days

June

June 17 Lay Person of the Year

June 24 Pro Am

July

July 1 John Anderson, President of
Rock Valley College

Greeters

June

10	Mary Ann Gaunt	Robert Thorsen
17	Larry Hedberg	Karen Tilly
24	John Heisel	Patti Tombleson

July

01	David Helland	John Vanderheyden
08	Arlene Henderson	Jeffery Wallem
15	Doug Herriott	Tom Weingartner
22	Eugene K. Maule	Al Weir
29	Jim Hogfeldt	Jim Welte

Word of the Day / Invocators

June

10	Jim Hogfeldt	David Whitehouse
17	Gary Hunt	Ken Whitmore
24	Ron Janecek	Bob Wildman

July

01	Ralf Jansson	Gary Lee Ven Rooy
08	Kurt Jensen	James Wilson
15	Everette Johnson	Anne Wilson
22	Loren Johnson	Binah Wing
29	Steve Kiley	Steve Albers

WORK SERVICE

June 26	Aldeen Park	Jim Wilson
		Angelo Caruana
July 24	Aldeen Park	Jerry Kopp
		Dave Whitehouse

NEXT DEADLINE: June 30, 2004

ALPINE NEWS EDITORS

Gary Hunt – Editor332-1612 home
 Judy Phillips – Co-Editor874-2031 home
 John McCue – Directory332-5542 home

**BIO FOR
GARY L. VEN ROOY**

I was born in Rockford, and was raised in the northern Illinois, southern Wisconsin area. My parents were born deaf, so I grew up around people using Sign Language in every day life. My parents and I came to know the Lord when I was 16, and after that, all I wanted to do was tell other people who are deaf about the Lord. So, after graduating from Orfordville High School in Wisconsin, I moved to Ann Harbor, Michigan to work in ministry for the deaf. After working there for a year, I realized I needed more education and knowledge of the Bible.

I attended Central Bible College in Springfield, MO. During the second semester, I met the lady who became my wife in 1968. She is a Texan, so we often joke about the North and the South meeting in the middle! We have spent most of our 35 years of marriage in the ministry to the deaf, while holding down other jobs to make ends meet, and raising three sons. Our oldest son,



Gary Jr., was born in Grand Rapids, MI. He and his wife, Becky, and their two children live here in Rockford. Our middle son, Shawn, was born in Beloit, WI. He and his wife, Markyda, minister to children and teenagers who are deaf in Colorado Springs, CO. While Linda

and I were in the ministry in Springfield, MO, our youngest son Brent was born. He is in the Navy, stationed in Jacksonville Fl, with his wife, Bridget. All three of our sons, at one time or another, have served this country in the Navy. Shawn was on an aircraft carrier during Desert Storm.

Since moving back to the Rockford area in 1988, I have worked at Rockford Products, been the minister to the deaf at the Christian Deaf Church on S. Mulford Rd., and now work at the Center for Sight and Hearing as a vocational instructor. I am also the itinerant pastor for several churches for the deaf in the northern Illinois area that are without pastors. Linda is a nationally certified interpreter for the deaf and works as the

Interpreter Services Coordinator at RAMP, and on the weekends that I'm not ministering in a deaf church, we help interpret for Saturday night and Sunday morning services at First Assembly of God. During my free time, I enjoy hiking, fishing, and playing with my grandson, Steven, and new granddaughter, Aimee Elianna. Elianna means, "God answered," because we prayed for seven years for another child for our oldest son and his wife, and God truly answered with this precious gift.

**BIO FOR
GENE MAULE**

I was born and raised in Rockford, attended St. Patricks and graduated from Boylan as part of the class of 1965. I attended St. Ambrose College, now University, in Davenport, Iowa graduating with a B.A. degree in Accounting. I spent the next two years in the military, 14 months in Viet Nam. Upon my return I accepted an auditors posi-



tion with PMM&Co and was sent to their Milwaukee office. After too many Wisconsin winters, most of my professional activity was spent in the Sheboygan to Green Bay and North areas of the state, I moved to Phoenix, Arizona. Initially, I worked as an auditor with a major financial holding company, Valley National Corporation. In 1984 my partners and myself founded Polymicro Technologies Incorporated. During that time, in 1989, I finally completed my MBA. My father passed in 1995 and in 1997 I moved back to Rockford to be with my mom and family.

I am currently the Executive Director of the Hunger Connection Food Bank.

My "free" time is generally spent outside, weather permitting. I am most of the time found gardening; bike riding, walking and generally golf three times a year.

I am on the Board of Barbara Olson Center of Hope and a proud member of the Viet Nam Honor Society working on completing the Memorial at Midway Village.

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

