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a Garden of  
New  
Leaders...



**Alpine Rockford Kiwanis  
Theme for 2008-2009**



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## SUN SHINES ON SPECIAL OLYMPICS!



More than 120 Alpine Kiwanis members, area Key Club members, friends and family descended

on Harlem High School for the 33rd Annual Northwest Illinois Special Olympics Games on May 2. Volunteers were greeted with an unusual phenomenon—sunshine and warm weather—as they undertook various duties including staging and timing the competitions, hugging participants, selling souvenirs, feeding the Olympians and volunteers, and more.

The weather had everyone in fine spirits and the event ran like a well-oiled machine. This wouldn't have been possible without the tireless enthusiasm of several Alpine Kiwanis members taking the reins of the event: Dave Gomel, Craig Stallings, Jim Welte, Jeff Wallem, Jeanne Sullivan, Bob Herro, Randy Larson, Larry McGee, Chuck Lantz, and Al Weir. Thanks to all the Alpine Kiwanis volunteers who came out and supported this event which means so much to area children and adults with disabilities!

## KIWANIS ONE DAY EVENT, "COLLECTING FOR OUR COMMUNITY"



Despite rain, the Kiwanis One Day Event on April 19 was showered with donated items to help area charities.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT!

The following is the Youth Service project schedule and the number of volunteers needed. If you are interested, please contact Jim Wilson.

May 30	Sinnissippi Park	Need 2 people
July 11	Sinnissippi Park	Del Lewis and need 1 more person
August 1	Anna Page Park	John & Roxanne Vanderheyden
August 15	Sinnissippi Park	Need 2 people
September 19	Sinnissippi Park	Need 2 people

**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**

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## MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS!



**Brian Patrick  
Norman**

I was born on January 25, 1958 in Rockford, the youngest of 11 children, and attended Rockford public schools. While I have lived in Florida, Minnesota, and Nebraska, I always return to my home in Rockford.

On May 12, 1984, I married my wife, Barbara Ann, and we will be celebrating 25 years of marriage this month. We have four children—two daughters, ages 23 and 21, and two sons, ages 19 and 17. My oldest daughter is married and I have three grandsons, ages 5, 2, and 9 months.

My hobbies include fishing and bird watching. I am also involved with several ecological groups that do clean ups of the local parks and rivers. My wife and I also enjoy attending local theatre productions.

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### APRIL BOARD MEETING NOTES— Ron Janecek

A quorum was present at 7 a.m. when President Simmons opened the Charities Committee meeting. Treasurer Whitehouse reported a balance of \$133,628.75. Board approved the following grants: The Salvation Army, \$1,000 for summer daycare program; Zion Development Fund, \$1,000 for youth leadership endeavor; Rockford Freedom School, \$1,000; Milestone, \$1027.35 for expansion of behavioral modification program; Northern Illinois Hospice, \$750 for a trek program; and Sara Ingrassia Dictionary Fund, \$1,200 to supply one school with books.

It was announced that Division 12 sent more than \$3,000 to the District for Spastic Paralysis research from the bowl-a-thons—the best ever.

Administrative Treasurer Coffey reported a balance of \$11,096.25 and expressed thanks to the membership for paying their dues on time.

Membership reported the resignation of Bob Prosser, which was approved. No one has stepped forward to accept the position of Vice-President for 2009-10.



**Pamela Ulrich**

I am the younger of sisters born in Chicago. Our family moved from Cicero, IL to Brookfield, WI in 1954. I graduated from Bookfield Central High School in 1967 and the secretarial program at Patricia Stevens Career College in Milwaukee in 1968. I married David Ulrich in 1970. My parents (Joe and Delores Vavra) live in Largo, FL and my sister (Sue) is married and

lives in Aurora, CO, near a maternal cousin.

I retired from Sundstrand in March 2006 and, during 36 years as a secretary, served on four United Way Committees, helped with the annual Luminary event in support of the American Cancer Society, and helped organize the semi-annual blood drive. I bowled for several years and played softball one season in RIAA leagues, but my greatest athletic feat was while bowling with the Research Team on the Engineering League. Much to the chagrin of one of my male engineering opponents (who felt a woman's place was in the home), I had a 300 game and 796 handicap series.

Currently, I am a member and serve on the board of the Winnebago County Association for Home and Community Education and am also a member of the Rockford Symphony Orchestra Allegro League.

I am a 2 1/2 year cancer survivor and enjoy walking and caring for Max (Black Lab/Golden Retriever mix), as well as, gardening, golfing, attending RSO concerts, visiting family and friends throughout the United States, and traveling overseas.

I want to thank Verla Sterett for sponsoring me and appreciate the opportunity to serve our community through your friendly, fun-loving organization.

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### TAKE AIM

*This month, Lois Wildman has shared one of her husband Robert's TAKE AIM articles. The following was originally published in May 2000.*

Sir James Barrie, British novelist, playwright and author of Peter Pan, once said, "Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves". Bring sunshine to the lives of others and you too shall walk in the sunshine. TAKE AIM. . . .

## BIRTHDAYS

Name	May	Name	June
William Geske	4	Jeff Wallem	9
Everette Johnson	12	Bruce Dearborn	12
Gil Dohlen	17	Roxanne Vanderheyden	13
Dom Mencarini	17	Al Weir	13
Steve Albers	19	Darrell Lindstrom	18
Jody Schumacher	19	Les Ross	20
Dana Kraus	25	Dave Whitehouse	21
Michael Simmons	27	Andy Anderson	26
Paula Neville	28	Bob Lindman	26
Loren Johnson	29	Shawn Ralston	29
		Jim Wilson	29

## ANNIVERSARIES

Name	May	Name	June
Brian Norman	12	Judith Phillips	3
Thomas Anderson	23	Gil Dohlen	11
John McCue	24	James Yarwood	12
Ralf Jansson	25	Fred Ellenberger	13
Larry Hedberg	26	Everette Johnson	14
David Gomel	27	Steve Albers	18
		John Vanderheyden	21
		Roxanne Vanderheyden	21
		Carl Pearson	22
		James Coffey	25
		Robert Baker	27
		Richard Welch	28

## WORD OF THE DAY

## INVOCATOR

	May		May
Randy Larson	14	J.D. Clemmons	14
Del Lewis	21	Jim Coffey	21
Mark Lewis	28	Bob Connor	28
	June		June
Ted Liebovich	4	Bruce Dearborn	4
Darrell Lindstrom	11	Fred Ellenberger	11

## GREETERS

May	Name	Name
14	Everette Johnson	Bob Stadtmueller
21	Loren Johnson	Ron Miller
28	Keith Kelsey-Powell	Verla Sterett
June	Name	Name
4	Dana Kraus	Ward Sterett
11	Andrew Krauss	Jeanne Sullivan

## WORD OF THE DAY

### **April 2 — Loren Johnson**

Reflect upon your present blessings of which everyone has many—not your misfortunes, of which all of us have some.  
- Charles Dickens

### **April 9 — Loren Johnson**

Happiness comes of the capacity to feel deeply, to enjoy simply, to think fully, to risk life, and to be needed.

### **April 16 — Dana Kraus**

Guard well your spare moments. They are like uncut diamonds. Discard them and their value will never be known. Improve them and they will become the brightest gems in a useful life.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

### **April 23 — Andrew Krauss**

But Jesus called the children to Him and said “Let the little children come unto me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these”.

- Luke 18:16

### **April 30 — Chuck Lantz**

We can complain because roses have thorns or rejoice because there are roses in the thorn bushes.

- Abraham Lincoln

### **April 30 (Kiwanis Nights) — Shawn Ralston**

You must be the change you wish to see in the world.

- Mahatma Gandhi

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

### **Telephone Change:**

Ken Whitmore  
(H & C) 815-979-8544

### **Sponsor Correction:**

Shawn Ralston  
Sponsor: Roxanne Vanderheyden

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

This is to remind everyone of the requirements for the Ruby K. The Ruby K is a Kiwanis International award given to those members who sponsor 5 new members. To be eligible, your membership must be in good standing and it is your responsibility to confirm with the Membership Secretary those new members whom you have sponsored. There is no time limit in which to achieve this award. Should you have any questions, please see either an officer or a member of the Membership Committee.

## APRIL 30 ANNUAL MEETING RECAP

Ted Liebovich, Immediate Past President, presented during the Annual Meeting on April 30 the following slate of Directors for a 3-year term beginning October 1: Amy Maavich, David Gomel, Cindy Hindes, and Rick Welch. In addition, Angela Hauser was nominated to finish the 3-year term of Wayne Perrett and Del Lewis to finish the 1-year term of Gary Ven Rooy. All nominations were unanimously approved. In addition, Joe Etminan came forward to fill the vacant Vice-President position. A special vote was taken to waive the by-law regarding all nominees being announced two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting and was approved. Joe's nomination for Vice-President was then put to vote and approved.

## **PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

<b>May 14</b>	Brat Days Kick-off	Jim Welte	<b>June 4</b>	Touch A Life	Spirituality Committee
<b>May 21</b>	Scholarship Presentation	David Whitehouse	<b>June 11</b>	TBA	
<b>May 28</b>	History of Hobos and Trains	Dawn Diventi	<b>June 18</b>	Rosecrance Children's Music Program	Judy Emerson

**NEXT DEADLINE: THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2009**

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