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Theme for 2008-2009**



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President's Message:

Growing a Garden of New Leaders...

Growing a Garden of New Leaders is the theme I have proposed for our Alpine Kiwanis Year 2008-09. It reflects the emphasis I heard repeatedly from leaders at the Kiwanis International Convention in Orlando last summer; the need I hear repeatedly from leaders in our community; and the potential in Kiwanis sponsored programs like K Kids, Key Club, Circle K, and Aktion Club. We know how to grow new leaders of all ages; we enjoy doing it; and we see the fruits!

Kiwanis International describes itself as *a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.* A

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Leadership Proposal for the Kiwanis Clubs of the Rock River Valley

Goal: We will create a Kiwanis presence in the Rock River Valley that is well-known, understood, and supported in our region for our efforts to develop leaders who are both willing and able to serve this community and the communities in which they will make their lives as adult citizens.

1st Objective: By 2011, we will double the number of sponsored programs in the Rock River Valley for youth and developmentally disabled adults, i.e. K Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K, and Aktion Club. While maintaining our individual club identities for now, we will develop a shared strategy for establishing new sponsored programs and for supporting new and existing ones. We will collaborate with other organizations like Boys and Girls Clubs who share our goal.

2nd Objective: We will develop a single scholarship process for college bound students that maximizes the number of qualified applicants and the number of scholarships awarded.

3rd Objective: We will expand Kiwanis One Day from one to four events by the 2010-11 Kiwanis program year, i.e. one each quarter of the year, appropriate to the season and the needs of our community. Members of our five existing clubs will have an oppor-

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<p>Alpine Rockford Kiwanis meets –</p>	<p>WEEKLY: THURSDAYS 7:10 a.m. HOFFMAN HOUSE (eat at 6:45 a.m.)</p>	<p>MONTHLY: LAST THURSDAY 6 p.m. THUNDER BAY GRILL</p>
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K-Kids Korner

The K-Kids at Carlson School have been very busy with Red Ribbon Week. We have been decorating our school with Red Ribbons and posters to warn against Bad Drugs, etc. Each day, we have been celebrating with a different theme. For example, turn your back on drugs by wearing our clothes backwards; don't let drugs twist your mind by giving everyone a Twizzler with a message taped to it. We decorated our school fence with red cups "Be Drug Free!". On the last day of the week, we wore school spirit shirts and handed out popsicles to everybody and the K-Kids went outside to clean up the schoolgrounds. We are preparing posters and signs for our upcoming mock voting for the next President of our United States.

OCTOBER 2008 BOARD BRIEFS FROM RON JANECEK, CLUB ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

The board approved the transfer of \$60,000 from the Fund Raising account to Charities Checking (Brat monies). Authorized the last payment of \$10,000 to Lifescape of the original grant of \$50,000 and authorized a gift of \$250 to the Crisis Pregnancy Center as a gift to incoming I-I District Governor. The 2008-2009 Administrative budget in the amount of \$38,400 was adopted. Membership committee reported and BOD approved the memberships of Diane Potts, Paula Neville and Kim Kaufman. It was announced that charter member Al Kaser passed away—he is the father of Paula Neville.

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key to such change is leadership – new leadership for a new century and the kind of new world we want for those who follow us.

I want to challenge every member of our Kiwanis Club to help tend the garden of new leaders that we are growing in the Rock River Valley. And I want you to know that other Kiwanians in the other four clubs of our valley are committed to tending it with us. Since August, a number of us officers who are leading those clubs – the Kiwanis Clubs of Rockford ("downtown"), Rock Valley-Heritage, Roscoe-Northern Winnebago, and Golden K – have been meeting and talking about how to strengthen our presence for change in our part of the world. Our proposal accompanies this column for your consideration. On Saturday, November 15, 9 AM to 11:30 AM, we are inviting all interested members of our clubs to gather at Spring Creek United Church of Christ for an open discussion of our proposal. Come join us. And let me and members of our Board of Directors know what you think. Is it a gardening plan you want to work?

In the meanwhile, think about how your part of our club activities might contribute to "growing a garden of new leaders." Every one of us has the potential to contribute in some way. What will yours be?

Michael Simmons, President

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tunity to take leadership for a day, and we will make members of our sponsored programs integral to the work of all four days.

4th Objective: In order to recruit and retain members for the work of Kiwanis in the Rock River Valley, we will establish additional meeting opportunities of varying styles, places, and times – like Alpine's Kiwanis Nights – that will be open to members of all five existing Kiwanis Clubs.

5th Objective: In order to efficiently and effectively utilize our human and material resources, we will develop a shared strategy for annual fund-raising activities that are fully supported by all member of the Kiwanis Family in the Rock River Valley. Initially, that will include Brat Days, Pancake Day, and Peanut Days in the fall, spring, and summer seasons of each year. And we will look for other ways to share administrative functions to make our clubs work better for all of us.

BIRTHDAYS

Name	November	Name	December
Randy Larson	1	Delos Lewis	19
Andrew Krauss	17	Jim Yarwood	21
Bob Stadtmueller	20		
Binah Wing	22		
Verla Sterett	26		
Richard Welch	28		

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	November	Name	December
Kim Kaufman	6	Fred Beck	4
Ronald Oldejans	12	Marlow Anderson	15
Roger Miller	13	Lawrence McGee	22
Andrew Krauss	17		
Richard Reinhardt	18		
Mary Ann Gaunt	22		
John Heisel	22		
Randall Theien	29		
Dominic Mencarini	30		

GREETERS

November	Name	Name
6	Marlow Anderson	Darrell Lindstrom
13	Tom Anderson	Jean Lopez
20	Shawn Artlip	Joe Mannone
26	Fred Beck	John McCue

December	Name	Name
4	Harold Branstiter	Larry McGee
11	J.D. Clemmons	Doris McLendon

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WORD OF THE DAY

November	Name	Name
6	Bob Connor	Verla Sterrett
13	Bruce Dearborn	Ward Sterrett
20	Fred Ellenberger	Jeanne Sullivan
26	Joe Etminan	Randy Theisen

December

4	Steve Ferrall	Robert Thorsen
11	Keith Forberg	Karen Tilly

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YCPO

We are still collecting old cell phones and empty ink jet cartridges. Just bring them to the Thursday meetings and leave them on the table by the door. We do not need chargers or instruction books—only the phone with its battery. Proceeds will be donated to the Children's Miracle Network.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

J.R. Sullivan's Annual Hometown Holiday
Saturday, December 13 @ 2 p.m. • N.A.T.

WORD OF THE DAY

Oct. 2—Shawn Artlip

There are times when silence has the loudest voice.
-Unknown

Oct. 9—Loren Johnson

If modern civilized man had to feed the animals he eats, the number of vegetarians would rise astronomically.

Oct. 16—Hal Branstiter

A good reputation is what you have when you do the right thing when people can see it—a good character is what you have when you do the right thing even when people don't see it.

Oct. 23—Loren Johnson

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

November 2 Kim Talbott, Vocational Education Program, Rockford Public Schools

November 13 Veteran's Day Program

November 20 Lory Preece, Charter School Initiative Kiwanis 101

November 26 Thanksgiving Day Program

MEETING CHANGE REMINDER

Due to Thanksgiving (November 27), Alpine Kiwanis Morning meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 26; Alpine Kiwanis Night meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20.

NEXT DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2008

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