



**Alpine Rockford Kiwanis
Theme for 2007-2008**



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

We are very fortunate to have competent, self motivating members in the Alpine Kiwanis Club. From this pool of talent we have staffed our committees which will be lead by committee chairmen who have proven their commitment and abilities through past club contributions. I believe that each and every committee will be motivated to do an excellent job. I encourage all committee chairman and/or committee members to approach me at any time with ideas or concerns. I am accessible at work, home or by mail, fax or email. My email address is Liebovich-weber@insightbb.com. I encourage all committees to meet during the month of October for purposes of organization and planning. As in the past, I believe it would be prudent to poll the committee members to determine what the best meeting time and place would be.

The "Getting to Know You" speaker program will continue each week and will be assigned on a rotating basis the same as "Word of the Day" and invocation. The assignments will be published in the Alpine E-News. If you choose not to participate please contact me at least several days prior to the meeting so that a substitute speaker can be selected. Thank you all for your support and I look forward to another great year in the tradition which has been established by our past Presidents.

Ted Liebovich, President

Alpine Rockford
Kiwanis meets –

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

MONTHLY:
4th THURSDAY
6:30 p.m.
THUNDER BAY
GRILL

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Oct. 11	George Hayward – Trip to Europe
Oct. 18	Tina Fewell – Salvation Army
Oct. 25	Rockford College Professor – English as a Second Language
Nov. 1	TBA
Nov. 8	TBA

Greeters

October

11	Gary Hunt	John Vanderheyden
18	Ralf Jansson	Gary Ven Rooy
25	Everett Johnson	Michele Wahl

November

1	Loren Johnson	Jeffery Wallem
8	Keith Kelsey-Powell	Jeff Walton

Word of the Day / Invocator

October

11	Chuck Lantz	Angelo Caruana
18	Randy Larson	J.D. Clemmons
25	Julie Lenth	Jim Coffey

November

1	Mark Lewis	Bob Connor
8	John McCue	Maleeah Cuevas

BIRTHDAYS

Name	October	Name	November
Charles Lantz	8	Randy Larson	1
Ralf Jansson	12	Bob Stadtmueller	20
Thomas Weingartner	16	Binah Wing	22
Ken Whitmore	18	Julie Lenth	25
Karen Tilly	21	Verla Sterett	26
Roger Miller	25	Mary Kroll	16
		Lewis Delos	19
		Jim Yarwood	21
		Maleeah Cuevas	24
		Michele Wahl	26

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	October	Name	November
Robert Stadtmueller	7	Fred Beck	4
Charles Lantz	17	Lawrence McGee	22
Allen Cramer	18	Marlow Anderson	15
Thomas Weingartner	18	Loren Johnson	27
Joe Etminan	20	Verla Sterett	31
Roland Miller	26	Ward Sterett	31
Ronald Oldejans	12		
Roger Miller	13		
Richard Reinhardt	18		
Mary Ann Gaunt	22		
John Heisel	22		
Randall Theien	29		
Dominic Mencarini	30		

TAKE AIM AS A CALLING, NOT A CAREER

At the Eden Seminary commencement this year, Robin Meyers asked the new graduates, "Will you have a calling or a career?" Among other distinctions, he suggested that a calling responds to a higher (and in that case, holy) purpose; a career responds to whoever serves ones own purposes. A calling is about serving; a career is about being served and rewarded. A calling, at times, may be frustrating, but it is ultimately full of meaning; a career may be rewarding, but it is ultimately ended and empty.

Dr. Myers, of course, was addressing people about to enter or continue a religious ministry, but

the question is relevant for people in any walk of life. To what or whom are you responding? What and whose is the purpose of your work? Are you serving or being served, seeking to give or giving to receive? At the end of each day, do you feel full of life and satisfied or drained and tired?

A calling comes from beyond ourselves and leads us beyond, to serving others. Are you responding to a call or making a career? Heed the calling, and take aim.

- Michael Simmons, 6-7-07

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KIWANIS EDUCATION SPOT

1. The first Kiwanis club was organized in Detroit, Michigan, USA, in 1914. The group received a charter from the state of Michigan on January 21, 1915—the day that is regarded as the birth date of Kiwanis. The club's name is Detroit Kiwanis Club No. 1 in recognition of its heritage.
2. Kiwanis was created by a professional organizer named Allen Simpson Browne. His concept for the new organization included the exchange of business among the members. However, the Detroit club had been organized only a few weeks when the members became involved in their first service project. During the next five years, Kiwanians would debate the basic purpose of the organization: mutual business exchange or community service.
3. The first name suggested for the organization that became Kiwanis was "Benevolent Order Brothers." But Oattie Robertson, a charter member of the Detroit No. 1 club, didn't like it. "It seems to me," he said, "that Benevolent Order Brothers is a mighty peculiar name for an organization of businessmen. Who wants to be a BOB?"
4. The name "Kiwanis" was coined from an expression of the American Indians in the Detroit area, which was found in Bishop Baraga's dictionary of the Otchipew language. The expression "Nunc Kee-wan-nis" meant, broadly, "we trade" or "we share our talents." As a coined word, however, "Kiwanis" has no meaning except as the name of a leading international service club.
5. Kiwanis International conventions began when the Kiwanis Club of Cleveland invited representatives of other clubs to meet there in May 1916. At that time there were a total of 16 clubs with 1,924 members. A Kiwanis International convention has been conducted every year since then, except for limited conferences in 1943-45 due to wartime travel restrictions. Today, the usual attendance at an International convention is about 12,000.
6. 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.
7. Kiwanis International's continuing service focus is called "Young Children: Priority One." This program seeks to serve the special needs of young children from prenatal development to age 5 in four areas: maternal and child health; child care and development; parent education and support; and safety programs and pediatric trauma care.
8. Kiwanis became international with the organization of the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton in Ontario, Canada, in November 1916. However, the organization's official name, "Kiwanis Club," was not changed to "Kiwanis International" until the Constitutional Convention in Denver in 1924.
9. The first Kiwanis headquarters, a two-room office, was opened in Chicago in 1918. Kiwanis continued to rent larger and larger offices in the "Windy City" until 1957, when the first Kiwanis International building was dedicated. This building served Kiwanis for 25 years but was eventually outgrown. In 1982 the sale of this valuable property allowed construction of a larger building in Indianapolis, a site with lower costs and greater convenience than downtown Chicago.

NEW MEMBERS

DELOS LEWIS

Delos Lewis was born in Deadwood, South Dakota in 1937. He spent his early years in central Missouri and his family moved to Rockford in time for him to spend many school years locally. Del graduated from East High in 1956. He married Kathleen Pettis from West High and headed for Europe and North African tours of duty, serving four years in the Air Force.

After returning to Rockford, Del and Kathie raised four children in the Rolling Green area, where they remain as residents yet today. Del spent many years in local fabricating businesses, and then spent over



25 years with Sundstrand Aviation, mostly as a purchasing professional. He is retired/semi-retired from Antel International and he and Kathie are regular attendees at Riverside Community Church. They now have five grandchildren to try and keep up with.

Del joins Alpine Kiwanis after already faithfully serving double-day shifts the past two years during Alpine Brat Days! When able,

Del travels to sports car racing events with one of his sons and enjoys fishing and searching estate sales, auctions and flea markets for various collection habits. He also enjoys traveling the mid-west with Kathie and the dog in their motor coach.

ROGER A MILLER

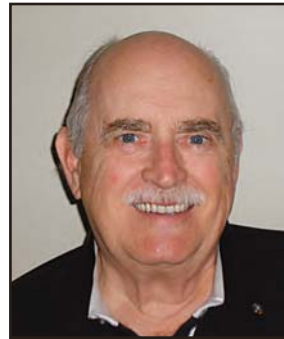
Roger was born Oct 25, 1935 in Middletown, Ohio to parents Hugh and Bettilue Miller, a major steel corporation executive and a stay-at-home housewife.

The family moved to Birmingham, MI in 1944 and Roger graduated from the Birmingham school system in 1953. He finished his education with a BA in Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management from Michigan State University...(Go Spartans).

After filling several positions with the Sheraton Hotel Chain in their Boston Home Office in Front Office and Reservation Training for personnel around the country and some time with the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, he accepted a Life and Health Unit Supervisor position at the Allstate Insurance regional office in Skokie, IL.

A long time fire buff (interested in the fire service), on a lark, he took the written exam for the Skokie Fire Department. Landing number one on the list, he was offered, accepted and hired for the one immediate position that was open. After three years he was promoted to Lieutenant and reassigned to the Fire Prevention Bureau. Over the next 14+ years he performed inspections, did virtually all the school educational programs and public fire safety talks to residents and industry as a Certified Public Education Officer, performed numerous fire investigations as a Certified Fire Investigator and on occasion acted as department liaison with the press at fire incidents.

He served as President of the fledgling Illinois Fire Inspectors Association, a group which is now nation-



ally recognized for its leadership in public fire safety education and legislation. For six years he developed and taught fire training courses for the two year curriculums at Elgin Community College and Waubonsee Junior College near Aurora.

In his last three years on the Skokie Fire Department he returned to a company assignment as an Aerial Ladder Truck Officer.

He retired in April 1986. Since his retirement he has worked auto sales and new car ordering and supervisor of new car prep as they come off the transports; reservations and registration clerk and night auditor at a Michigan dude ranch and world class golf course; and a greeter at two different Wal-Mart Supercenters in Indiana.

Presently he devotes himself to volunteering, spending 12 to 14 hours a week in various activities at Heartland Community Church. These include answering phones and projects in the office; First Impressions (greeting and ushering); small group facilitator for Men's Fraternity and Marriage Matters; and computer sign-in for Heartland Kids.

He is married to Dianne, his lovely wife of eight years. He has a blended family...his daughter and four grandchildren and Dianne's two daughters with two and three grandchildren respectively.

They have lived in Rockford just three months short of four years. Dianne is the Health Information and Privacy Manager at VanMatre Health South Rehabilitation Hospital in Rockford.

WORD OF THE DAY

Sept. 6 – Everette Johnson

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

– *Mother Teresa*

Sept. 13 – Loren Johnson

1 - The ultimate test of fame is to have a crazy person imagine he is you.

2 - Blessed are those who have nothing good to say and keep it to themselves.

Sept. 20 – Keith Kelsey-Powell

Science without religion is lame. Religion without science is blind.

– Albert Einstein

Sept. 27 – Dana Kraus

Prayer should be the key of the day and the lock of the night.

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KIWANIS CLUB

The logo for the Alpine Kiwanis Club features the word "Alpine" in a large, stylized, cursive script. Below the "Alpine" text is a small graphic of a mountain peak with a flag on top. The entire logo is positioned to the right of the "KIWANIS CLUB" text.