

1968-2005
37 Years of Service



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2004-2005

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2004-2005
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Jea Nae Wood

THEME FOR 2004-2005

"ALPINE
AKTION -



BETTER THAN
WORDS"

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President's Message

TIME TO REFLECT

Each September the outgoing President takes time to reflect back over the past year's service projects and activities. As you are all aware, this would be a very long list. I prefer to focus on those attributes which make Alpine Kiwanis not just another service club but a **Great Club**. Of course there are many attributes, but these three are at the top of my list.

The first and foremost is the recruiting of new members. The average attrition in membership throughout Kiwanis is 15% and our club is no different. Think about the service projects we would not be able to perform if our total membership were only 25! To recognize those members who support the critical effort of recruiting new members, Kiwanis International created The Ruby K Award: By recruiting five new members, anytime during his or her membership, a Kiwanian is eligible for the initial Ruby K Award. This year the recipients were:

Al Kaser	5	Jim Merrick	5	John Vanderheyden	10
Bob Lindman	5	Jim Yarwood	5	Ken Whitmore	5 & 10
Bob Stadtmueller	5	Larry Hedberg	5	Kanwal Prashar	10
Dave Mondul	5	Ward Sterett	5	Randy Larson	10
Frank Flower	5	Gil Dohlen	5 & 10		
Gene Sjostrom	5	Bill Milligan	10		

The second attribute is stepping up to the task or service above and beyond the minimum expectations. It is the level of involvement by these members that allows our club to perform more service throughout the community even with fewer members than in years past. Since joining Alpine Kiwanis 10 years ago, I have seen our membership fall by close to 30%. And yet, we are performing more service in the community now than we did then. In recognizing specific individuals, it would be presumptuous to conclude that the following Kiwanians are the only ones making invaluable contributions to the success of Alpine Kiwanis. With that said, Kiwanians of the Month recognized this year for service above and beyond expectations include:

October – Verla Sterett
November – Bob Wildman
December – Lois Wildman
January – Dave Mondul
February – Judy Phillips
March – Nancy Sanders

April – Kim Kaufman
May – Jeannie Sullivan
June – Al Cramer, Ward Sterett, Jim Welte, Harry Palm, and John McCue
July – Curt Moen
August – Keith Forberg

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DIRECTORY UPDATES

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Correction:

David Nelsen:
2865 Hedgecliff Dr.

WORD OF THE DAY

Aug 4 – Fred Beck

You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late. – *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Aug 11 – Gary Hunt

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else.

Aug 18 – Angelo Caruana

Close your eyes to the false. Open your eyes to the invisible.

Aug 25 – Jim Coffey

I don't know what your destiny will be. But this I know: the only ones among you who will ever be truly happy are those who have sought and found how to serve others.

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Two remaining Saturdays to volunteer for the Winnebago County Juvenile Public Service Work Program - **SEPTEMBER 17 (Aldeen Park) and OCTOBER 15 (Sinnissippi Park) - from 8 am until noon.** Volunteers still needed!

First Thursday of each month, donation of dollars or clothing articles such as socks or underwear - for the **Clothes Closet**. These items will be in demand as the new school year starts.

Please see **JEANNE SULLIVAN** or **JIM WILSON** for more information. THANK YOU.

TAKE AIM

There's an old quote I like attributed to an old Presbyterian minister who passed on not too long ago: "The child is in me still... but the child in me is rarely still." [That was Mr. Fred Rogers.] He reminds me that when life does weigh us down, or, let's face it, make us old, perhaps the best way to approach adversity is with the creative, never-ending energy of a child. Kiwanis' idealism gives me hope. It frees creative, child-like energy towards making the world a better place. Each time I come, there is an implicit invitation echoing in the songs, a hidden laughter behind the Happy Barrel, and a certain smile in the reports we hear. Perhaps in those moments, there is the permission to let the "child in me" roam free, to explore, to dream. May that energy guide our work as we serve ALL the children of the world.

Take Aim

Submitted by Michael Mann

INTERCLUB

September Interclub: Sept. 20 Downtown club. 12:00 noon at Learning Center (Trinity Church)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday September 22 – Noon Golf outing Aldeen Golf Club; 6:30 p.m. Pork Chop Supper –Curt Moen's

REMINDERS:

- Club now meets at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday mornings.
- Please be sure to sign the attendance card and include any community service hours you worked!
- We are **still** collecting:
 - Pop Tops
 - Peanut Butter
 - Cell Phones ... AND
 - Taking Donations for McBuddies

BIRTHDAYS

Name	September	Name	October
David Nelsen	01	Charles D. Lantz	08
Judy Phillips	02	Ralf Jansson	12
David Helland	03	Tom Weingartner	16
Ronald Janecek	04	Kenneth Whitmore	18
Kathy Taylor	04	Karen Tilly	21
H. Ward Sterett	07	Stephen R. Naff	22
Mary Ann Gaunt	08	Jason Hammer	31
Robert Thorsen	09		
William E. Milligan	14		
Keith Forberg	14		
Gary Hunt	16		
Ron Miller	16		
Harold J. Palm	18		
Daniel Larson	26		
Kanwal Prashar	27		

ANNIVERSARIES

Name	September	Name	October
Michael Simmons	01	Charles D. Lantz	17
Jerald A. Kopp	03	Tom Weingartner	18
Binah B. Wing	03	Allen Cramer	18
Curtis Moen	10	Joe Etminan	20
Bob Kuhlmeier	14	Ron Miller	26
Gary Ven Rooy	15		
Ted Plum	19		
Nancy Sanders	23		
Keith Forberg	26		
Ronald Janecek	29		

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued from page 1)

The third attribute is constancy of purpose. Having members who continue to serve and remain active over many years provides a guiding light towards upholding our rich traditions. The Legion of Honor award of Kiwanis International has been created to assist in extending a token of appreciation to these Kiwanians. This year awards were given to:

Gene Sjostrom	35	Les Ross	25
Ralf Jansson	30	Dom Mencarini	25
Loren Johnson	30	Fred Beck	25
Doug Herriott	30	Larry Hedberg	25
Jim Hogfeldt	30	Everette Johnson	25
Ron Miller	30		

My only hope is that you are as gratified as I am to be serving the community with such a **Great Club**.

Harry

Programs

- Sept. 22** Russian Delegation
- Sept. 29** Club President
- Oct. 6** United Way
- Oct. 13** Patrick Hope, U.S. Dept. of Commerce
- Oct. 20** Becky Hahnel, Literacy Council

Greeters

September

8	Bob Baker	Dave Nelsen
15	Bill Bartholomew	Steve Newton
22	Fred Beck	Dan Norman
29	Harold Branstiter	Ron Oldejans

October

6	Angelo Caruana	Barbara Olson
13	Jim Coffey	Harry Palm

Word of the Day/Invocator

September

8	Bob Conner	Todd Scott
15	Maleeah Cuevas	Michael Simmons
22	Wendy Davenport	Gene Sjostrom
29	Bruce Dearborn	Verla Sterett

October

6	Gil Dohlen	Ward Sterett
13	Fred Ellenberger	Jeannie Sullivan

ATTENTION

DIRECTORY UPDATES FOR THE NEW 2005-2006 DIRECTORY ARE DUE TO John McCue by September 15.

Please see him at a meeting or contact him at 332-5542.

NEXT DEADLINE: October 6, 2005

ALPINE NEWS EDITORS

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A LOOK BACK IN TIME

Volume 13, No. 20, June 23 1980

June 4, 1980 – Organizational meeting held at State Street Baptist Church to form a Golden K Club. The Club will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesdays (this is where they met until the move to Christ United Methodist Church)

Brat Days 1980 – July 18 and 19 (Colonial Village and Edgebrook)

Volume 13, No. 22, July 21, 1980

“ Juvenile work service project, along with other “ one-on-one” involvement helped in getting Division 12 the highest recognition for Major Emphasis Program in Kiwanis International. Worldwide, according to a congratulatory note from Mark A. Smith, Jr. Kiwanis International President to Bill Milligan, Division 12 Lt. Governor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kanwal Prashar



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

Alpine

The goal of the 2005 Alpine Kiwanis Year came to fruition on Thursday, August 11th. The Aktion Club of Alpine Rockford aka "Alpine Aktion" officially announced their charter, received their official banner, bell and gavel, pinned, and inducted their Officers for the Fiscal Year 2006: Josette Beek, President, Brad Muzzarelli, Vice President, Jill Hasemeyer, Treasurer and Kathy Koehn, Secretary. Board Members Peter Mittendorf, Doug Kuborn, Tim Parrott, Jonah Kilker and Shad Ahlensdorf were recognized as well as the rest of the Alpine Aktion Club members. Sean Ryan, photographer, David Kuborn, Allen Flemming, Larry Casey and Elizabeth John. All members received recognition and an Aktion Club t-shirt.



There were 95+ in attendance to celebrate the chartering banquet which was held at the Atrium on the Rock Valley College Campus. The Alpine Aktion Club members are learning the leadership skills of becoming a good officer, board member and committee member. Look out for Alpine Aktion in the Rockford area because you WILL be hearing about the good things they accomplish to help others.



Congrats to all of the Alpine Aktion Charter Members!

ALPINE KIWANIS MERIT AWARD

You can still qualify! Qualifications for the 2004 – 2005 merit award are as follows:

1. Attend 75% of the meetings, make-ups count
2. Participate in 2 Interclubs
3. Attend 1 Board Meeting
4. Bring 1 Prospective Member to a Meeting.
5. Sell 100 Brat Tickets (\$450) or Work 2 Shifts at Brat Days
6. Participate in 2 Service Projects
 - Fall Special Olympics
 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing
 - Love Baskets
 - Special Olympics Polar Plunge
 - Rockford Day Nursery Playground Project
 - Special Olympics Spring Games
 - Saturday Work Service (Juvenile Supervision)
 - Russian HR Delegation
7. Attend 2 Special Events
 - New Officers & Board Reception
 - Il Governors Visit (Dinner); Also an Interclub
 - Baseball Games
 - Caroling
 - Teas
 - Potlucks, Bingo
 - Festival of Lights
 - Circle K Key Club Swing Dance; Also an Interclub
 - Easter Egg Hunt
 - Dinner Theatre
 - International President Case Van Kleef's Official Visit; Also an Interclub
 - Forest City Queen Dinner Cruise; Also an Interclub
 - Aktion Club Charter Banquet; Also an Interclub
 - September 22nd Pork Chop Supper & Golf Outing