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President: Tom Villa; Secretary: Carl Polstra; Treasurer: Bill Paulin; Vice President/Editor: Jim Busse



On December 9th, the officers of the Rochelle High School Key Club visited us at our breakfast meeting, along with their coordinator Danae White. We enjoyed hearing about their activities, involvement in programs, and positions of responsibility.

The club was pleased to donate the proceeds from our Happy Basket to the Rochelle High School Key Club in honor of their success and achievements over the year.

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We were pleased to have Little Miss Peanut, Jenna Watson, along with her mother and brother, visit us at a breakfast meeting in December.

Jenna is a fine representative to the Rochelle community and deserves our support.



Jenna Watson along with Little Miss Peanut chair Bill Gaston

## President's Message:

I hope you all enjoyed a Merry, Happy Christmas, and may you all have a healthy, prosperous New Year.

Thanks to all who rang the Salvation Army Bell. Robert Colville, job well done!

"Next Job" is the Spastic Foundation Bowl-A-Thon Chas maybe this year we can round up some support for you on January 25th. From our members...

-Tom Villa

## Vice President's Message:

In December I made a presentation on the division meeting in New Lenox, and it's focus on membership. I indicated my resolve to focus our club on membership growth going into my term next year. I now announce a goal of 25% growth in membership this year through my term in 2009-2010. I believe this is attainable if members step up to the plate and perform their necessary role as Kiwanis Ambassadors to our community. Indeed, no single person is responsible for membership growth; it's everyone's responsibility.

I also talked about "Elevator Speeches". An elevator speech is a 1 minute or less one-on-one presentation each member should be prepared to give when talking to friends, relatives, acquaintances, or just anyone we may meet anywhere at any time. An elevator speech should not dwell on the social aspect of our organization, but on what Kiwanis was formed to succeed in; service to the children of the world. That's what we're here for, and if we are to get new energetic and focused members *our* focus must be on service, not social amenities.

Thursday, January 8th I'll present my elevator speech. I will also, over the course of the year, call out to members and ask that they present their speech. Be prepared. You may be named. More to come on this in the form of aides and information...

-Jim Busse

## Spiritual Aims for January:

We give thanks for the month of December, a wonderful time to be alive as Kiwanians, to be able to share in so many different ways helping children of our community. Children Christmas shopping, ringing Salvation Army bells, delivering toy and food baskets.

Now, Lord, a new year has begun. Help us to see it as an opportunity, not as a burden but a gift. Help us to see others as opportunities for service. We pray that each member be thankful for the gift of life each day, gratefully accepting it, freely giving it. In other words, Lord, help me to be more like you.

-Carl Polstra

## Salvation Army Bell Ringing

The Kiwanis Golden K, along with the Rochelle High School Key Club and Girl Scouts, rang the Salvation Army bell again this year at Wal-Mart and Sullivan's Grocery. Proceeds for the year, submitted to the Salvation Army, Peoria, IL amounted to the following:

Cashier Checks (cash):	\$2821.51
Checks:	\$ 175.00
Total:	<b>\$2996.51</b>

We want to thank everyone who participated in this year's drive. Weather wasn't the best, but it was a pleasure to again provide needy funds to this fine organization.

-Bob Colville

## Current January programs:

January 08: Bob Fletcher - Insurance/Gas supply  
January 15: Kathy Taylor and friend from Honor Flights  
January 22: Leo Johnson - Johnson Tractor  
January 29: Minister supplied by Secretary

## Programs presented in December:

December 02: Board Meeting  
December 09: Jim Busse: Division meeting in New Lenox, IL  
December 16: No presentation  
December 23: No presentation

## Upcoming Committee Assignments

### Breakfast & Greeter Committee

#### January

Dean Herrmann Ch. 562-7723  
Bud Elkin, Gene Wood  
Al Hann, Marvin Winkel  
Bill Gaston, Lyle Kunde G.

#### February

Dallas Schuler Ch. 562-7130  
A. Jennings, Chas. Reints  
Ken Roeglin, G. O. Wine  
By Kyler, Arch Millotte G.

### Meals on Wheels

January 08 - Harvey Folkerts & Carl Polstra

January 29 - J. B. James & LeRoy Shoemaker

January 15 - Don Furland & Dallas Schuler

February 05 - Lee Harris & Jim Moorehead

January 22 - Bill Gaston & Chas. Reints

## Builder's Club/Key Club News

### LOOKING BACK AND AHEAD

What a great year for Kiwanis... All of our programs; fundraisers, Key Club, Builders Club, and our Circle K members did very well. Our Golden K Club is the envy of many other organizations for our successes. You all did it! Our future looks bright with the slate of incoming officers and program chairmen. Every one of you contribute in some way and I thank and commend each of you for a job well done. Keep up the good work!

-Dennis Swinton

The Middle School Builders Club will visit us at our breakfast meeting on January 15th. Let's make them welcome and show our support for this fine young organization from which future Kiwanians evolve.



We were pleased to present a check to Danae White, coordinator of the Rochelle High school Key Club for her extraordinary service to today's youth. Shown, Arch Millotte, Danae White.

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				<b>1</b> New Year's Day: No meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Bob Erwin - B'day
<b>4</b> John Schinzer - Anniv.	<b>5</b> Larry Cich - B'day	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Board Meeting Ron Wolford - B'day	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Lee Harris - B'day
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Jim Bailey - Anniv.	<b>16</b> Paul Alongi - An- niv.	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Dean Herrmann - Anniv.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Interclub: (See below)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Jim Moorehead - Anniv.
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	29	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Bob Colville - B'day

## Interclub News

Rochelle Kiwanis Noon Club  
January 21, 2009  
12:00 p.m. Abraham's Restaurant

## Bringing Up Father

When I was a boy of 14, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be 21, I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years.

-Mark Twain

## Kiwanis Education

What is Kiwanis International's address on the world wide web?

Kiwanis International's address on the World Wide Web is [www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org). This Web site includes the texts of official Kiwanis documents, extensive information on club administrative and service topics, an on-line Kiwanis supplies catalog, the latest organizational news, and links to clubs, districts, and individual Kiwanians around the world.

- By Arch Millotte

**BRING IN YOUR RECYCLING CANS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**