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R.P. " REG " MERRIDEW
SECRETARY EMERITUS
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R.P. " Reg " Merridew, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Chicago, Illinois has served Kiwanis since he became a member in 1948. By title, Reg was Secretary of Kiwanis International from 1965 to 1981. He was an officer of Kiwanis International, editor of The Kiwanis Magazine, and advisor and consultant to the president and Board.

In addition to his Board responsibilities, he directed the activities of the Kiwanis General Office, which includes some 120 people in Chicago, as well as Field Service men in the United States, Canada, Europe, and the Pacific.

The General Office extends its service to approximately 7500 clubs, with 305,000 men, in 75 nations of the free world. Under the International umbrella, service is also extended to Key Club International, Circle K International, and to the Builders Clubs as part of the K-Family.

Reg first joined the Kiwanis Club of Cleveland in 1948 and served as the President before moving to Detroit. He joined the Detroit #1 Club and served as President during the 1965 year as Kiwanis celebrated the Golden Anniversary.

His previous career, before becoming Int'l. Secretary, was as a broadcast executive with Radio Station W J R, serving as Program Director. In Cleveland, he had been Managing Director of Station WJW.

He has had a variety of professional, service, and civic activities: as a former member of Adcraft Club of Detroit, a past president of the Cuyahoga County (Ohio) Library Board of Trustees, a past vice president of Goodwill Industries of Detroit, a past president of the Bucknell University Club of Cleveland, a past director of the Cleveland Church Federation and of the Cleveland Safety Council. He is a national director of the National 4-H Service Committee, and a member at large, National Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Reg and his lovely wife Doris reside in Northbrook, Ill. a Chicago suburb and enjoy a family numbering two married daughters and three grandchildren.

Reg and Doris look back with fond memories to their days in Michigan and think of Detroit as home.

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