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## Kiwanis Club of Aurora Recognizes "Women's History Month" During Month of March

Aurora, III., March 19, 2024 — Throughout March, the Kiwanis Club of Aurora is celebrating "Women's History Month" with programs presented by women in leadership roles. Earlier this month, a program was presented by Kiwanian Michelle Meyer, Assistant Director of Community Health for the Kane County Health Department. In addition, on March 19, Aurora University President Dr. Susana Rivera-Mills will be speaking at the club's noon meeting about her new role as A.U. President and providing an update on the A.U. campus.

Christina Campos, President of the Kiwanis Club of Aurora, states, "It's important that we recognize the contributions that the many women have made not only to our club but within companies, organizations, and for their families as well. I'm extremely proud to be President of our Kiwanis Club and I encourage other women who haven't already done so, to step forward and become leaders of the organizations with which they are affiliated as well."

The Kiwanis Club of Aurora is proud of the number of leadership roles that have been and are currently being held by women. The current club leadership consists of eight women: Christina Campos, President; Kim Woodin, Treasurer; Heather Binder, Secretary; Joanie Boldan, Mavis Bates, and Angie Greviskes are all Board Directors; Michelle Meyer, Lt. Governor for our Kiwanis Division; and Kim Groom was recently elected as Governor-Elect for the Illinois-Eastern Iowa Kiwanis District.

The Kiwanis Club of Aurora has a long history of continually striving for diversity within its membership. Prior to 1987, Kiwanis, an international service club organization, allowed only men to be club members. Upon its change of bylaws, the Kiwanis Club of Aurora quickly moved forward and installed numerous women as members. In 1988, the club elected its first female president, Kathi Limoges. Since 1987, the percentage of females comprising its membership has increased to almost 30%.