

# THE NEWS FROM the

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KISHWAUKEE KIWANIS CLUB of DeKalb, Illinois

## July 22, 2015 Editor: Mark Sawyer <http://www.kishkiwanis.org>

**LUNCH** Chicken and Rice (very nice…), mixed veggies, and cookies.

**SONG:** *God Bless America* led by Chanette  **Invocation**: Jerry Smith

**Officers for 2014-2015**

President Abby Chemers

President Elect Dick Dowen

Vice President Joe Gastiger

Treasurer Lisa Small

Asst. Treasurer Sue Doubler

Secretary Ken Doubler

Asst. Secretary Jerry Wahlstrom

Immediate Past President

Greg Spears

Lt. Governor George Van Dee

District Governor Jim Dooley

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**Kishwaukee Kiwanis Meetings**

2nd, 3rd, 4th, (and 5th) Wednesday at 11:45 a.m.

Hopkins Park Community Room

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**K-Family Events/Meetings**

**Circle K Every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center. Hint: To stay young, attend one of their meetings!**

**AKtion Club –** Second Tuesday of the month at 2:45 p.m. at Opportunity House (202 Lucas St.) in Sycamore.

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**Defining Statement**

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

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**Flag Salute**

As our flag signifies purity, valor, and justice, may we as true Kiwanians exemplify these virtues as we serve the children of the world.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS

# and OPPORTUNITITES

**The next Interclub** will be at with Aktion club, and I’m fairly certain the date is Aug. 11th. This will be at their picnic and will include an update on Fairdale.

**Dick reminded us that Committee sign-ups** are happening !!!!

**Toiletries**- We’re collecting these for Safe Passage. (See below.)

We are participating in the **DeKalb County Shoe Share Project**. Please start collecting gently used and new kids’ shoes, especially for little (gently-used) kids. Volunteer opportunities abound. See below. Sign-ups are now ongoing.

Save the date.  The**Glidden Homestead's, DeKalb County Barn Tour**will be Saturday, August 8 from 9-4:00.   See Jennie, Svetlana.

**TR Event –** Abby has some very nice posters if you have a place to display one call her! Steph Forsberg is looking for $100 sponsors.Our club has 4 already and need 1 more. The event will be September 24 at Sycamore High School.

**Sue – DUES ARE DUE !**

Joan is collecting **box tops** and **Coke lids.**Jennie will take your **soup labels.** AKtion Club is collecting **aluminum cans** **and other recyclable materials**.

**Sycamore Civil War Memorial** rededication ceremony: August 15, at 10 am. Sycamore courthouse lawn.

**Archives:** If you find any old stuff related to Kiwanis, please give a copy to Norm!

# PROGRAM

For a second week in a row, (might be a record), our program had to cancel! This week our own Gene Perry was our program, speaking on his recent trip to Cuba. He and his wife Joan were there for a week and traveled with a guided tour group. Gene told us about the Helms-Burton act which enacted a ban on traveling to Cuba except for the reason of “learning” something. So Gene told us that they were there on an “educational” tour, and certainly they did learn something. Gene has a great film and slide show on the trip with many wonderful pictures he took. One interesting shot was from their hotel, behind the old international hotel on the ocean that showed that there were no boats in the harbor! Needless to say, there are very few boats left in Cuba! There are also very few hotels in Cuba, or places to eat. To remedy this situation many families have opened their doors and this is where Gene said they had many a good meal. Another interesting bit from his film was a young man explaining how they get internet. About once every two weeks someone with access for an hour or so downloads as much as he can and then sells it by the gigabyte to people. They get their news or TV shows that way, just a few weeks old. It was a very enjoyable program and we all thank Gene for sharing with us.

**Fun fact question:**

Anyone know where the first military drones were made?

**Quote for the day**

*I have spent my life seeking all that's still unsung  
Bent my ear to hear the tune and closed my eyes to see  
When there were no strings to play, you played to me  
When there was no dream of mine, you dreamed of me* *Robert Hunter*

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS: (Why not invite a guest? – that could also mean a prospective member!)**

July 29 John Desjarlais Local Mystery Author/Kish College Professor

**August 5 Board Meeting @ the Lincoln Inn**

**August 12 @ Kishwaukee Community Hospital Kitchen**

August 19 Sean Frazier NIU Athletic Director

**Today’s Attendance:**

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| 33 | Kish Kiwanians |
| 3 | Guests: Joan Perry, Connie Snider(?sp), Norm’s wife Marylou |
| 0 | VIPs, etc. |
| 0 | Speaker: Travis |
| **36** | **TOTAL** |

**YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU WISH LIST:**

**TAG (Therapeutic Art-Making Group):**

**Permanent markers, canvases, paint brushes, glue, watercolors, drawing paper, tracing paper, oil pastels, colored pencils, markers….any and all art supplies could help.**

**VolunTEEN:**

**Gardening gloves, small handheld shovels, cleaning supplies.**

 Thank you so much again for the opportunity to share about the Youth Service Bureau, and thank you for your dedication to the community.

Diana L. Hulst, Executive Director of DeKalb County Youth Service Bureau

**(See next page for more!)The following are items we (Safe Passage) regularly need. If you are looking to donate please consider these items!**

1. Gas station & Wal-Mart gift cards

2. Non-perishable food

3. Linens for twin beds

4. Towels & washcloths

5. Diapers & Pull-ups (especially larger sizes)

6. Baby wipes

7. Paper towels, toilet paper, & tissues

8. Sweatpants & sweatshirts

9. Women’s underwear (bras and panties)

10. Cleaning supplies (dish soap, spray cleaners, laundry detergent, etc.)

11. Harder hair brushes

12. Hair conditioner

13. Olive Oils for hair (not cooking oil)

14. Pantine shampoo/conditioner (Brown Bottle)

15. Motions haircare products

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| **DeKalb Health Dept, Shoe Share Time line**  Here is our projected timeline for shoe share:    May 1-June 30 Collect shoes (participating partners- schools, park districts, county/municipal offices, YMCA, etc.)  June 1-July 30 Launder shoes (Laundry Lounge)  July 31 - Aug 1 Sort/label (Kiwanis)  Aug 10 – Aug 17 Distribute (Kiwanis)  During the distribution phase we would like to have **2 Kiwanis volunteers stationed at each pantry**during their hours of operation.  I am working with the pantries now to confirm their schedules so that we can coordinate with you guys.  We are also talking to **other local Kiwanis groups**.  Thank you for your help I have attached the flyer if you would like to share at your next meeting.  If you would like me to come out and talk to your group about the event some time let me know. Also if you have any question please let me know.  Thank you have a good weekend.  Gibson, Michelle <[MGibson@dekalbcounty.org](mailto:MGibson@dekalbcounty.org)>‬ To sign up, go to: ‬‬‬‬ |

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/508054CA4A62AA64-shoe](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054CA4A62AA64-shoe)

Shoe donations will still be taken at the DeKalb County Health Dept.   Only two works days and will be held at the same address now.

**Shoe Share Sign-**  \*\*2550 N. Annie Glidden Rd in DeKalb.

**Friday, July 31**

1-3:00  \_Jack\_\_\_\_\_\_;  \_\_\_Amy\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2-4:00  \_Jack\_\_\_\_\_;  \_\_\_\_Amy\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, August 6**

2-4:00  \_Diana\_\_\_\_\_\_;  \_​Jan Byrnes \_\_\_\_;   \_\_\_\_Abby Chemers\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;

4-6:00  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;

6-7:00  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;

Serving the Children of the World