# THE NEWS FROM the

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 **LUNCH:** Salad, turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, green beans, and cake.

KISHWAUKEE KIWANIS CLUB of DeKalb, Illinois

## December 14, 2016 Editor: Amy Polzin <http://www.kishkiwanis.org>

. **SONG:**  *God Bless America* led by Chanette Oeser.  **Invocation**: Al Mueller

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS

**Officers for 2016-2017**

President Joe Gastiger

President Elect Bob Higgerson

Vice President Roger Seymore

Treasurer Lisa Small

Asst. Treasurer Sue Doubler

Secretary Ken Doubler

Asst. Secretary Jerry Wahlstrom

Immediate Past President

 Dick Dowen

Lt. Governor Juanita Mundy

District Governor Rick Poulton

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**Kishwaukee Kiwanis Meetings**

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

Faranda’s Banquet Center

302 Grove St.

DeKalb, IL

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**K-Family Events/Meetings**

**Circle K Every Monday night at 8:00 p.m. in Neptune Central 110. Hint: To stay young, attend one of their meetings!**

**AKtion Club –** Second Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at Opportunity House (357 N. California 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.

#  and OPPORTUNITITES

**COMMITTEE SIGN-UPS.** We still need folks to chair: Risk, Reduction and Avoidance; Social Sports (could also use some members); and Human and Spiritual Values. Please let Amy know if you are willing to step up on any of these.

**Our Next Interclub:** will be on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at South Moon BBQ in Sandwich. We are passing the gavel to Tri County. Let’s get a lot of us to go!

Speaking of gavels, we received the gavel today from the DeKalb Club. The gavel was cleverly concealed in a snowman. Poor Frosty didn’t survive Prez Joe’s determination.

**Mike Mooney** received a thank you note from Make a Difference for our participation in Feed My Starving Children. This year, 1,251,000 meals were produced (of which our club provided 1,636 to that number). This will feed 4.5 children for the entire year. What a great project!

**Ralph Sherman** spoke to the group about the upcoming Kishwaukee Kiwanis Show coming up on April 1, 2017. Auditions for talent for the show will be on Saturday, January 21 at the Egyptian. Let all your friends, neighbors, family, whoever you know who might have a little talent about this wonderful opportunity to share it with the public.

The brand new Open Door Aktion Club had their chartering this past Saturday. They currently have 16-18 members. Welcome to Division 14!

**Volunteer Opportunities and Other Goodies**:

 - **Christmas Purses** – new or gently used purses filled with small gift items if

 you choose (toiletries, gloves, jewelry, hair products, gift cards, etc.) for

Safe Passage clients. Put in a gift bag and drop off at VAC by 12/16/16

 - **Winter Coats** are being collected – see Joe.

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

**Sue – DUES ARE DUE!** (Same as the old dues).

Joan is collecting **box tops** and **Coke lids. General Mills products,** helps local schools. AKtion Club is collecting **aluminum cans and other recyclable materials**.

**P.o.P./Health Box**

We must all be good! No P.o.P. box today. We did have a little time to kill so Jerry Smith and Betty Hampa provided us with an update of upcoming programs. Can you believe we have programs through March all lined up already? Great job, Program Committee!

# 🟊🟊🟊🟊 PROGRAM 🟊🟊🟊🟊

The Madrigals from the DeKalb High School performed for us today – and it was an interclub so they had quite a large audience. This amazing group of young people, let by Mr. Travis Erickson of the High School, never ceases to amaze with their beautiful blending of voices. Did you know that there was a competition in Texas recently and approximately 500 young people competed. 11 of these 500ish were from Illinois and **FIVE** of the 11 were from DeKalb High School! Quite a remarkable representation!

**Quote for the Day**

**“The purpose of our lives is to be happy.”**

 -- *The Dalai Lama*

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

Dec 21 Deanna Cada Mental Health

Dec 28 Ken Doubler Kiwanis Education (members invited to submit questions)

**Today’s Attendance:**

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| 30 | Kish Kiwanians  |
|  9 | Interclub Kiwanians: (5 from DeKalb and 4 from Sycamore |
| 22 | Other Guests: Al’s granddaughter, Annabella; Abby (who’s enjoying being a grandmother) |
|  Many | Singers: Madrigals |
| **61** | **TOTAL** |

**BIRTHDAYS**

 December January

 1 Toney Xidix 5 Dick Anderson

11 Ralph Sherman 13 Amy Polzin

19 Bob Gilmore 16 Joan London

19 Mark Sawyer 21 Bob Snow

20 Diana King 25 Roger Seymore

30 Chanette Oeser

31 Max Heide

Serving the Children of the World