

# THE NEWS FROM the

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**LUNCH:** Sausages, pasta salad, mashed spuds, chili, and cookies. **Joker-in-Chief:** Joe G.

KISHWAUKEE KIWANIS CLUB of DeKalb, Illinois

## March 8, 2017 Editor: Paul Stoddard <http://www.kishkiwanis.org>

. **SONG:** *America the Beautiful,* led Chanette.  **Invocator-in-Chief:**: Joe G.

# 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.

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# and OPPORTUNITITES

**Our Next Interclub:** Bob is looking for March 8th signups for interclub in Sycamore. Aktion Club is hosting the interclub on March 8th.  The meeting will be from 4:30 to 5:30 with dinner to follow.  The cost of the meal will be $5; chili, cornbread, beverages and dessert.  The meeting will be held in the conference room at the Opportunity House Developmental Training Center at 357 North California Street in Sycamore

**Yearbooks:** Paper copies are in. See the folks at the front table.

April will be **Meals on Wheels** month for us**.** Sign-ups are happening.

**Beanzie** is only 4 months away!

**April 22: Pathway cleanup on Earth Day!** Sign-ups for meeting behind the theater.

**Bill Cummings** is looking for about 6 people to sign up for the Kazoo band! He has some already but needs more!

**Kiwanis Show:** Ralph said that we have enough talent signed up to fill the show! 100 tix sold! Let’s sell another 400 or 500.

**Survey Results:** Ken handed them out. Pretty good, but a couple areas could use some work.

**Toiletries**- We’re collecting these for Safe Passage.

**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. / H e a l t h B o x**

Toney’s going out to visit Marv Fogel and wish him a Happy Birthday!

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Patty Hoppenstedt filled us in on DeKalb’s strategic plan. She did not sing her presentation. The process took place in 2015, with a 3-month community engagement period from May through July. There were 48 small group discussions with over 300 participants. Mission Statement: Deliver high quality municipal services to those who live, work, learn in, or visit our community. They also have statements regarding vision and core values. The various visions (sense of place, vitality and vibrancy, inclusiveness, accessibility, and efficiency, quality and responsiveness) guide the strategies and actions of the plan. They’ve outlined timelines for actions, and now monitor the progress along those timelines. Patty gave examples of actions completed or underway. Things like new crosswalks downtown, home inspections and improvements as part of the crime-free housing initiative, etc.

See it all at <http://www.cityofdekalb.com/808/DeKalb-2025-Strategic-Plan>

**Quote for the Day**

“Strategy without tactics is the slowest route to victory. Tactics without strategy is the noise before defeat.”

* Sun Tzu, *The Art of War*

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

March 15 Terry Hannan DeKalb County Forest Preserve

March 22 Roberta and Dave Barn on Baseline Animal Shelter

March 29 Drew VandeCreek NIU Library Digitization

**April 5 BOARD MEETING @ the Lincoln Inn**

April 12 Stewart Henn 2017 Exhibits at the NIU Art Museum

April 19 Michelle Donahoe Sycamore History Museum

April 26 Deanna Cada Mental Health

**Today’s Attendance:**

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| 31 | Kish Kiwanians |
| 1 | K family: John Rey |
| 6 | Other Guests: Emily (MPA intern), and the HarmonEssence Chorus (formerly Prairie Echoes) |
| 1 | Speaker: Patty |
| **39** | **TOTAL** |

***Birthdays for March***



March 8 Steve Cichy (1952).

March 12 Norm Schaeffer

March 23 Eugene Perry

Serving the Children of the World