

# THE NEWS FROM the

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**Breakfast for LUNCH:** Scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage, bacon, french toast, pastries, fruit salad, OJ.

KISHWAUKEE KIWANIS CLUB of DeKalb, Illinois

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

. **SONG:** *The Band Played On,* led by Roger Seymore.  **Invocation:** Jack G.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS

**Officers for 2017-2018**

President Bob Higgerson

President Elect Roger Seymore

Vice President Sue Doubler

Treasurer Ken Doubler

Asst. Treasurer Al Mueller

Secretary Ken Doubler

Asst. Secretary Jerry Wahlstrom

Immediate Past President

Joe Gastiger

Lt. Governor Misty Haji-Sheikh

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 Dusable 302. 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:** is TBA. Check with the incoming Lt. Gov. It’s coming soon!

Kirkland Lions **coat drive** is ongoing. Talk to Amy for details.

Lt. Gov Misty is forming a **new club in Huntley**. Big meeting recently (lots of VIPS). Huntley wants a Key Club, and thus needs an adult club. Three days of recruiting yielded 8 applications. Work continues, and with that in mind, we need at least two people to join as sponsoring members. The meeting time is tba, and will take our members’ schedule into consideration.

**Gene** is selling pictures he’s taken as placemats, with proceeds to the club to support the local forest preserves.

**Salvation Army Turkey Distribution** could use some help. If you’re available Tuesday Nov 21, from 1 to 4 pm, why not lend a hand?

Keep an eye out for greeters at upcoming meetings.

Mike’s got **Save My Starving Children Raffle tickets**. Our slots are Nov 10, 11 from 3-5 on each day at Suter foods. We have 20 spots to fill each day. This event is open to members, spouses guests, etc! The more the merrier.

**IHSA football weekend** – Thanksgiving weekend – will need us to man elevators. Sign-ups are going around. Still one slot (5-8 Sat pm) open. Hospitality tent has other openings. http://www.ihsa.org/SportsActivities/BoysFootball.aspx

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

**Al – Please pay the new Dues!** (Note the change in dues collector!).

Colleen B (aka “Arms”) is collecting **box tops** and **Coke lids. General Mills products,** helps local schools.

**AKtion Club** is collecting **aluminum cans and other recyclable materials**.

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No news is good news.

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Membership, membership, membership. Sue and Ken shared some of the conclusions they’ve come to after pondering membership questions for a while (at Joe G’s request). Retention is important. We need to contact members who don’t come to meetings often, and to check on regular members who miss a couple of meetings. We also need to keep the meetings fun, and keep everyone involved. And perhaps a quarterly social event would help build cohesion. New membership is also important. One group to consider are former members still in time. Also civic groups, commercial institutions, the Beloved Community group. Look for a membership drive in the new year. Corporate memberships and satellite clubs (meet at a different time/place) are other options. Look for some small changes to freshen things up a bit – something different for the 5th Wednesday of the month, new name badges, and perhaps even some new service projects. From a recent high of 62 members in 2011/12, we’re down to 47 now. But the bottom line is that to get new members, ***we*** need to ask people to join.

**Heard ‘round the tables:**

Sweater (and jacket) weather has definitely arrived.

**Quote for the Day**

“For practitioners of community development, as in any field, joining a network of like-minded professionals is important for building skills and becoming aware of opportunities and resources.”

― Ben Bernanke

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

Nov 15 United Way Dawn Littlefield

Nov 22 Kiwanis Education/Budget Ken Doubler

Nov 29 Food Desert Dan Kenny

**Dec 6 BOARD MEETING @ the Lincoln Inn**

**Dec 13 Yuletide Songs Madrigals**

Dec 20 TBA (but maybe Safari through DeKalb with Gene Perry)

Dec 27 Round tables?

**Today’s Attendance:**

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| 33 | Kish Kiwanians |
| 0 | Guests: |
| 0 | K Family Big Wig: |
| 0 | Speaker: Bob |
| **33** | **TOTAL** |

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