KISHWAUKEE KIWANIS CLUB of DeKalb, Illinois

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LUNCH: Breakfast for lunch!

Hybrid Meeting led by Prez Colleen

Invocation: Joe G.

Officers for 2021-2022

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Treasurer Sue Doubler
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Kishwaukee Kiwanis Meetings

2nd, 3rd, 4th, (and 5th) Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. Faranda's Banquet Center 302 Grove St. DeKalb, IL

****************** K-Family Events/Meetings

Circle K Every other Fridayevening at 6:00 p.m. in DuSable 461 or via Teams Online.

AKtion Club – Looking to start up again in January at Opportunity House (357 N. California St.) in Sycamore.

Defining Statement

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

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS and OPPORTUNITIES

Upcoming Interclubs: June 13 (Mon): DeKalb Club 6pm, Westminster Church 830 N. Annie Glidden. July 21 (Thur): Tri-county 7pm. Aug 10 – us! Sept 20 6pm – NIU Circle K or Sycamore. Oct 10, 6pm Aktion Club.

Sue reports that the rummage sale was wet, but we still made over \$300. Good job everyone!

3rd Quarter dues are due! You can mail a check to Al at PO Box 1007, DeKalb, Illinois 60115 or bring a check to a meeting. (\$110/quarter meals; \$75/quarter no meals).

★★★★ PROGRAM ★★★★

Mike Embrey joined us in honor of Memorial Day. Mike came to the area several decades ago when he became director of bands at NIU. Since then he has been involved as founder of Fun Fest, which has put on many events here in town. Mike, an Air Force vet, has decided to make DeKalb the most vet-friendly town around, and is responsible for the street lamp banners honoring our local vets. In year one, they put up 47 banners, 60 the next year, and 70 in year 3. Locust St has been named Veterans' Way. Mike also talked City Manager Bill Niklaus into creating 2 Vets parking spaces downtown. We've been given a \$15,000 grant to paint a veterans' mural on the back of the new Pappas building overlooking the Van Buer Plaza parking lot. Mike reminded us the Veteran's Day honors living vets, and Memorial Day is for those no longer with us. This Memorial Day weekend, as is the custom, flags will be placed by the graves of all vets in DeKalb. On Monday, there will be a Mayor's Breakfast followed at 8:15 am when there will be a gathering at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Clock on the corner of 1st and Lincoln. The clock was originally dedicated in 1919, on 3rd street. It was later placed in the middle of the street, where it got hit by a truck (duh). It was then relocated to its current position. A time capsule will be placed in the clock, to be re-opened in 50 years. One of the objects to be placed in the capsule is a 1919 book honoring 60 DeKalb citizens who lost their lives in World War I (out of 2,200 who served). After the encapsulation, for the first time in 3 years, there will be a parade! At 9:30 am there will be a ceremony at the Ellwood House Mansion, featuring a keynote speech by Mayor Cohen Barnes.

Mike related some of his feelings upon visiting the American Memorial Park in Normandy. Seeing 10,000 graves gives you a new perspective on war.

Honorarium: DeKalb Elks Club for their Memorial Park project.

Heard around the internets

We must be careful that our differences don't destroy us.

Quote for the Day

"Patriotism is not short, frenzied outbursts of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime."

- Adlai Stevenson

<u>UPCOMING PROGRAMS:</u> (*Why not invite a guest?* – that could mean a prospective member!)

June 1 BOARD MEETING

June 8 Various 4H presentations

June 15 Tiffany Tucker, B. L. A. C. Empowering Youth in DeKalb

June 22 Ruth Hart Little Lending Library

June 29 BEANZIE meeting

Today's Attendance:

2	:8	Kish Kiwanians (29 in person, 0 via zoom)
	0	K-family:
	0	Other Guests:
	1	Outside Speaker: Mike
2	9	Total

Have a **closing thought** for the day? Submit it to Bob Hoffman.

There is no elevator to success. You have to take the stairs.

Approved officers for next year:



President: Mary McGinn
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