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LUNCH: Lunch: Sandwiches, Soup, and cookies

Today's Meeting: Led by President Mike Mooney **Invocation:** Shadow Gentry

Officers for 2024-2025

President President Elect Vice President

Mike Mooney Caroline Collins

Treasurer Asst. Treasurer Secretary Asst. Secretary Imm Past President Bob Hoffman Lt. Governor District Governor

Jack Goodrich Al Mueller Ken Doubler Jerry Wahlstrom Jean Erlenborn Kim Groom

*************** Kishwaukee Kiwanis Meetings

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

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

Circle K Every other Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in HSC 506 or via Teams Online.

AKtion Club - 2nd Wednesday, 3:45 at Opportunity House

357 N. California St Sycamore, IL

************ **Defining Statement**

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

************* 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.

Announcements:

John Rey again announced that he'll be collecting children's books at our meetings in preparation for donating new stocked bookshelves to 50 or more children in our community. Distribution will be April 12th.

Mardi Gras brainstorming session tomorrow (Thursday) at Faranda's at 1 p.m.

From Sue Doubler, we have a booth at the DeKalb Chamber Expo April 24th and will be looking for volunteers to staff it. In May we will deliver Meals on Wheels Mondays and Fridays. Sign up begins next month.

Happy news from Jerry Wahlstrom. "My daughter Barb had twins Friday evening...Jonah and Joseph; both over 6 lbs and all are doing well."

Mike Mooney gave us some of his history as he drives towards retirement this Friday. Born in Spencer, Indiana in 1947, his family members were already



involved in automobile dealerships. Mike Graduated from Notre Dame in 1969 with a degree in accounting and followed that up with an MBA from Northwestern along with a stint in the Army. Assigned to an audit of NIU. the most successful outcome was he met the woman who would become his wife! Mike's deep roots in DeKalb began when he purchased the Chevrolet. Oldsmobile and Cadillac dealership at Fourth and Lincoln Hwy in DeKalb.

Join Mike to help celebrate his retirement this Friday afternoon from 1-3 p.m. at DeKalb Motors, 1925 Mercantile Drive (Next to Menards).

Program

The DeKalb Chamber of Commerce provides a wealth of benefits and services to its members according to Anna Wilson, the Membership Director at the Chamber. Presenting itself as a business resource hub, the Chamber hosts community Expos (April 24th this year at the Convo), skills training, directories, guides and a weekly E-newsletter. With 580+ members across 6 states and 36+ communities, the DeKalb Chamber's mission is to help area businesses

and nonprofits grow and be successful. The attached file contains the slides from Ms. Wilsons' presentation and is considerably more detailed than I could possibly be here.

Thought for the day (offered by Bob Hoffman, read by Shadow Gentry)

"A house divided against itself cannot stand."

- Abraham Lincoln / Matthew 12:25

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

April 2: Board Meeting

April 9: DeKalb County Farm Bureau- Berk Boehne

April 16: Steve Bigolin-Barb City Manor

April 23: Club Business

April 30: No Meeting (5th Wednesday)

	Kish Kiwanians (in person) 25
	Zoom: No Zoom today
	Guests:
	Outside Speaker: Anna Wilson, DeKalb Chamber
	Total 26