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LUNCH: Lunch: Lasagna, sausage, peppers, salad, cookies

Today's Meeting: Led by President Mike Mooney

Invocation: Al Mueller

Officers for 2024-2025

President	Mike Mooney
President Elect	Caroline Collins
Vice President	
Treasurer	Jack Goodrich
Asst. Treasurer	Al Mueller
Secretary	Ken Doubler
Asst. Secretary	Jerry Wahlstrom
Imm Past President	Bob Hoffman
Lt. Governor	Jean Erlenborn
District Governor	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:

Gary Vandermeer reminded us that Breakfast with a Bunny is coming up on Saturday, April 12th, beginning at 9:30 AM. Volunteers will gather in the Terrace Room at Hopkins Park.

He will also be passing out sign up sheets for Meals on Wheels drivers. We're all encouraged to register, if we can.

Sue Doubler also has sign up sheets for those willing to greet visitors at the Kiwanis Table we'll set up at the DeKalb County Expo on Thursday, April 24, from 4:00 until 7:00 PM. That will be held at the NIU Convocation Center.

Sue is all also recruiting delegates for our International Convention hosted in Pittsburgh this year, June 25-28. Those who attend will receive tickets to a Pirates/Mets game at PNC Park on Friday night.

Kathi Davis wanted us all to know that the DeKalb High School Robotics team did very well — they took third place — at a competition of forty teams. Her grandson, Garrison Eckhardt, is an advisor for our local team.

Tim Dunlop announced that our Social Sports Committee will meet today briefly after our program.

Jerry Wahlstrom stopped by to see Beryl Smith, who's on the mend, in good spirits, and hopes to rejoin us soon.

Ken Doubler asked for a motion to approve our incoming new vice president: Sue Doubler has agreed to serve. The motion was made by John Rey, seconded by Bob Higginson, and passed by acclamation.

Sue Doubler noted and asked to sing "Happy Birthday" today. Jack is celebrating his 90th year.

Program

John Smith introduced our speaker today, DeKalb Farm Bureau president Berkeley Boehne. Born in Shabbona, IL, Berkeley's successful goal was to be a farmer, and he is also owner of a trucking business. He has a large family of 5, 2 daughters and 3 step-children.

Farm Bureau had its beginnings in 1912 and the DeKalb Bureau has over 6,000 members. Known as the voice of agriculture, they value the voice that the organization provides in local and state issues pertaining to production agriculture. For member families, they benefit from activities and scholarships. For individuals, they find value in the discount programs, health and safety programs and information.

For complete information, visit the Farm Bureau website at: <https://dekalbfarmbureau.org/>

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

"Laughter is the best medicine, but if you're laughing for no reason, you may need medicine."
- *Unknown*

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

April 16: Steve Bigolin-Barb City Manor

April 23: Club Business

April 30: No Meeting (5th Wednesday)

May 7: Board Meeting

May 14: Sean Frazier, NIU Athletic Director

	Kish Kiwanians (in person) 23
	Zoom: Paul Stoddard, James Spencer, Virginia Naples
	Guests: Greg Millburg, Jim Feyerherm
	Outside Speaker: Berkeley Boehne
	Total 29