



Serving the Children of the World

The Nugget

Golden K Kiwanis Club
Decatur, Illinois

Club Officers 2025-2026

President: Tom McQuiston **President Elect:** Dick Virgin **Vice President:** None

Secretary: Lynda Durnil *Asst. Secretary: Roberta Williams*

Treasurer: John Baird *Asst. Treasurer: Karen Sivils*

Directors:

Cheryl Boss, Joel Hawkinson, Pat Riley, Cathy Sebok, Kathy Thompson, Sally Williams

Past President: Harold Wilkinson

Regular Meeting each Wednesday at 9:30 A.M. at Salvation Army Reception Hall

Dec. 17, 2025

God Bless America /Pledge of Allegiance / Kiwanis Pledge: Ron Black

Invocation: Mary Jean Bauer

Piano: Larry Wade

Mike Runners: Harold Dausman, Dan Sebok

Photographer: Joel Hawkinson

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

Program: Christmas Carols with Larry Wade



Larry and wife, Karen

Cathy Sebok awarded Kiwanian of the Month of November to Pat Durnil and a Certificate of Appreciation for Hostess with the Mostest to Mary Jean Bauer. Congratulations!!



Health Report: Cathy Sebok – read a note from Joy Greive, John Dunn moved to Primrose.

Attendance: Lynda Durnil

40 members 1 Kiwanis guest 2 guests 43 Total

Dick Virgin – word of the week – prevoid – a cross between prevent & avoid. You do this to stop bad stuff happening. Bob Lewis & Doris Mabry received prizes for their guesses.

Announcements:

Dan Sebok - Has Charity Mania tickets,
- St. T. Key Club will meet Jan. 4, 6pm

Cheryl Boss - would like to thank all the club members who volunteered to do the “Bell Ringing” and count “Red Kettle Money” in the “freezing cold and snow”. Mark Avery & Lynda Durnil would also like to thank Toni Holland for accepting their calls & rearranging the schedules when volunteers couldn’t do their shift. Volunteers were Kyle Anderson, Mary Jean Bauer, Ron Black, Mike Carr, Kevin Cleary, Harold Dausman, Lynda Durnil, Pat Durnil, Al Henrichs, Don Kamm, Jim Kramer, Joyce Robinson, Cathy Sebok, Karen Sivils, Linda Thomas, Maria Uchtorff, Dick Virgin, Danny White, & Marty Williams.

Dick Virgin – we’re going to ask all members to take part in an anonymous survey in January. This is to get information how you feel about the club. You will be able to click on a link to complete it. Help sessions will be held after a meeting with laptops for those who need assistance. This is a local survey, not from International. It only has 22 questions & you can go back while taking it to correct any answer (before you hit “submit”).

Key Club Updates:

St. Teresa Key Club: Planning a Winter Formal on Feb. 7th, going to do some red kettle bell ringing.

Dates to Remember:

12/15-19/25 Toy Distribution

12/24,31/25 No meeting

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Kevin Cleary

Birthdays: John Dunn, Betsy Herald, Jim Higdon, Jim Watson, Connie Doty

Anniversaries: Steve & Susan Rayhill, Ralph Czerwinski

** Due to a directive from International we are not to publish personal information.

Bob Hope Quotes: It’s so cold in Washington, D.C., the politicians have their hands in their own pockets!

50-50 Drawing: Dan Sebok did not draw the Queen of Hearts. The \$28 rolls over. Get your tickets!

Up Coming Programs:

12/24/25 No meeting

12/31/25 No meeting

1/7/26 Tanya Melendez, Executive Director, Good Samaritan, topic: Mercy Gardens

1/14/26 Josh Chamblin, Financial Advisor, Chamblin Wealth Management, topic: "Smart Charitable Giving...and Other Retirement Topics"

1/21/26 Chris Ellis, Devon Joyner, Executive Director, Old King's Orchard Community Center

1/28/26 Leslie Risby & Ashley Grayned, Innovative Programs, Decatur School District

Ongoing Projects

- Collecting Food Coupons for the military - Cheryl Boss
- Collecting clean plastic caps & lids for school benches & tables - Paula Luckenbill
- Collecting pop tops for Ronald McDonald House, Springfield - Paula Luckenbill
- Turn in hours to Karen Sivils - itcpa96@gmail.com, estimate #children helped
- Kiwanis clothing - Roberta Williams
- Golden K board meetings - 2nd Monday each month, 1:00 pm, Central Christian Church
- Decatur Lakeside 9/11 Memorial Flagpole and Flowers

Wednesday Donations

1st – Food Bank

2nd – K.N.R.F.

3rd – School Support

4th - Trauma Dolls

5th – Scholarship Fund

Speaker ideas...if you have an idea for a Golden K speaker, please let John Baird or Mark Avery know.

Story for today: John Dunn

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Dedication of a new Little Library



Lid Workshop



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