



*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

## **March 11, 2026**

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

**Invocation:** Mary Clare Cummins

**Piano:** John Baird

**Mike Runners:** Harold Dausman, Dan Sebok

**Photographer:** Joel Hawkinson

**Program:** Tom McQuiston introduced Denise Myers, retired professor Millikin University, Department of Theater & Dance. Denise introduced her co-director, Natalie Mase, a senior at Millikin.

### **Children's Show Presentation**

Denise Myers started at Millikin University in **1991**, retired full-time in **2023** as Professor Emeritus,

- and continues teaching part-time as an adjunct.
- Children's show is devised and student-created by **13 cast members** with student-written music, choreography, and a fabric space manager.

- Show concept “Boxed Out” centers on a box that yields scenes from objects (stick, pop pearls, umbrella, clock) and includes a staged 'box master.'
- First full run-through will occur tonight; public performances scheduled **March 28–29** at the **Virginia Rogers Theatre**.
- Natalie Mase is a senior honors musical theatre major, co-director and choreographer, previously performed in Millikin productions, and plans to move to **Chicago** to audition and pursue children's theatre after a brief return to Michigan.
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**Kyle Anderson** presented the slate of officers to be voted on in 4 weeks. There is now an opportunity to nominate anyone else by next Wednesday, Mar. 18. The slate is: President – Richard Virgin, President elect – Mark Avery, Treasurer – John Baird, Secretary – Lynda Durnil, Assistant Treasurer – Karen Sivils, Assistant Secretary – Roberta Williams, Directors – Mike Carr & Jim Kramer, Kyle Anderson – club advisor with Bob Bischoff as assistant.

**Health Report:** Cathy Sebok – Keep Jack McCoy (undergoing treatment) & Marcia Uchtorff (surgery March 20) in your prayers.

**Attendance:** Lynda Durnil

45 members    2 speakers    1 guest    48 Total

**Dick Virgin** – word of the week – wankpuffin – a British dialect for a self-absorbed jerk, a painfully self-important person who talks a lot, listens never, somehow leaves every room more annoying than they found it.

“**Guess the Kiwanian**” – Kyle Anderson received a prize for correctly guessing Jim Kramer.

**Announcements:**

**Cheryl Boss** – today is the opening of Jersey Mike’s Subs on Mound Road. Today, tomorrow or Friday, don’t forget to use the tickets she gave out.

**Dan Sebok** – There will be an interclub in Tuscola on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Sign up

**Cathy Sebok** – This past Sunday, Cathy, Cheryl Boss, Jan Allen, Mary Clare Cummins, & Dorma Finrock provided the meal at Careage House.

**Susan Rayhill**

- **Tomorrow is a lid sort at the Police Benevolent Hall, 9-noon.**
- Next Good Samaritan Inn is March 24, 11-1
- She has trauma doll material & stuffing to take home

- This month we're collecting items for Dove's Domestic Violence & God's Shelter of Love. Think of the items you use when you get up in the morning (comb, toothpaste, etc.). Monetary donations appreciated.
- Next Careage House meal is April 12, sign up.

**Mary Jean Bauer** – There will be a Spring Luncheon, Wednesday, April 22, 1pm, KC Hall. Sign up soon.

**Charles Smith** – April 25 is Rock Springs Annual Festival of Spring & we'll be parking cars.

- This Friday, Annual Fish Fry in Tuscola, 4-6pm

**Kyle Anderson** – June 12 is the golf outing. Start thinking about hole sponsors & silent auction items

**Bob Lewis** – taking donations & selling tickets to the Children's Play on Mar. 28 & 29

**Tom McQuiston** – you can pick up Children's Play tickets to sell

- April 25 is an interclub

#### **Key Club Updates:**

**St. Teresa Key Club:** meets 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, 6pm, All Purpose Room

**Mt. Zion Key Club:** meets 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, 6pm, cafeteria

#### **Dates to Remember:**

3/12/26 Lids Workshop, 9-noon, Police Benevolent Hall

3/24/26 Good Samaritan Inn, 11-1

3/28,29/26 Millikin "Children's Play"

4/12/26 Careage House meal

4/22/26 Spring Luncheon, KC Hall, 1pm

4/25/26 Interclub to Tuscola

4/25/26 Rock Springs Festival, park cars

#### **Birthdays & Anniversaries:** Kevin Cleary

Birthdays: None

Anniversaries: Jim Kramer

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

**Quote from Bob Hope:** I have the perfect simplified tax form for the government, why don't they just print our money with a return address on it!

**50-50 Drawing:** John Dunn did not draw the Queen of Hearts. The \$113 rolls over. Get your tickets!

#### **Up Coming Programs:**

3/18/26 Kent Newton, Sanitary District of Decatur

3/25/26 Elizabeth Riddle, Meals on Wheels

4/1/26 Bruce Nims, Group hiking trips to Switzerland & Italy

4/8/26 Debbie Bogle, United Way of Decatur & Mid-Illinois

### **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**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Food Bank**

**2<sup>nd</sup> – K.N.R.F.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> – School Support**

**4<sup>th</sup> - Trauma Dolls**

**5<sup>th</sup> – 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:** Bob Lewis

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