



LUNCH: Breakfast! Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage links, hash brown potatoes, French toast, pastries
Today's Meeting: Led by Caroline Collins **Invocation:** Al Mueller

Officers for 2025-2026

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

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 Wednesday at
 4:30 p.m. in HSC 506
 (usually 1st and 3rd
 Wednesday)

AKtion Club – 2nd Wednesday, 3:45 at
 Opportunity House
 357 N. California St
 Sycamore, IL

Defining Statement

Kiwaniis 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 Vander Meer expressed his appreciation to all of the Meals on Wheels volunteers for their continued service. We've completed our routes for this month.

Sue Doubler proposed our next slate of officers for the coming year:

- Sue Doubler, President
- Jim Barker and Shadow Gentry, Incoming Co-Presidents
- Gary Vander Meer, Administrator (2-year term)
- Ken Doubler, Club Secretary
- Jerry Wahlstrom Assistant Secretary
- Bob Hoffman, Treasurer
- Al Mueller, Assistant Treasurer

She announced the names of those who've agreed to become new board members. All were approved today by a unanimous voice vote. Our new officers will begin their term in October.

Ken Doubler asked that we approve his proposed changes to our bylaws, so they can be forwarded to Kiwanis International. A motion to approve was made by Kathy Davis, seconded by John Rey, and passed.

Jerry Wahlstrom thanked everyone for their contributions to a project sponsored by Rooted for Good and Century 21: a drive to collect personal items, such as shampoo, soap, and so on to distribute to struggling families in our community. Such items are not usually available at our local food banks.

He also reminded us that Fun Jam in the Park begins next month, and he'll have sign-up sheets to pass around next Wednesday.

Toney Xidis announced that yes, our Beanzie Ride is coming up, on Sunday, July 12th. That's an "All hands on deck" fundraiser for our club.

PROGRAM

Jack Goodrich brought up our county 4H leader, Nicole Groezinger, who introduced the winners of the George Bigger Public Speaking Competition, which was held at the Farm Bureau theater in late March. Bigger, a former Kiwanian, came to DeKalb from WLS radio to take charge of WLBK, and for years promoted public speaking programs for young people.

This year twelve 4Hers competed, and three will go on to the finals this summer at the State Fair.

Frederick Nicholls presented his speech on Handel’s Messiah, the famed oratorio that is performed at hundreds of venues across the country during the holiday season. Initially, the Messiah got a mixed reception; some thought setting a text from the New Testament might be somewhat sacrilegious.

Madeleine Castillo gave her presentation about exhibiting her Garden Peeps Showmanship Rabbit. She explained how she displays the features of her choice rabbit — ears, eyes, nose, teeth, feet, and so on — to a panel of judges, and responds to any questions they might pose about Polish rabbitry.

Finally, Roland Nicholls talked about the Joys of Whittling today: it’s safe, he says, if you use the right equipment; it’s fun, it’s cheap, doesn’t need a lot of space, and promotes a sense of accomplishment and well-being.

Jerry Smith followed up by asking our presenters to tell us a bit more about themselves.

Need a ride to Kiwanis?

Several Kiwanis members have volunteered to give a ride to our meetings if needed. (Please give them a couple of day’s notice if possible.)

Bob Gilmore 815-764-9010 Kathie Davis 815-751-9085 Bob Hadley 815-739-8869
 Bob Hoffman 815-742-3765 Jerry Smith 815-751-6265

Thought for the day

Courtesy of Bob Hoffman

“One person with passion is greater than 99 who have only an interest.”

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

- June 3: Board meeting
- June 10: NIU WBB coach Jacey Brooks
- June 17: NIU MBB coach Matt Majkrzak
- June 24: Poetry - John Bradley, Joe Gastiger
- June 31: Committee meetings
- July 1: Board Meeting

	Kish Kiwanians (in person) 29
	Zoom: N/A
	Guests: Nicole Groezinger (4H Program Coordinator), younger sister Anna Nicholls, and the moms of our presenters
	Outside Speakers: Frederick and Roland Nicholls, and Madeleine Castillo
	Total 34+