



North Scottarian

North Scott Rotary - Eldridge and Davenport, IA
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PROGRAM RECAP

North Scott Rotarian Mark Harvey, President and CEO of CS Technologies



Mark Harvey, CEO of CS Technologies and North Scott Rotary member, provided an overview of the essential communication services provided by his company to our geographical region. Mark states that according to the Fiber Broadband Association, providing fiber internet to a home at speeds of at least 1 GB provides an average increase in home value of 3.1%.

Active in rural Scott County, as well as Grant and Lafayette County, WI, this group plans to undertake investments in these areas over the next three years totalling over \$25 million. Elements include upgrade and replacement of existing copper transmission to optic fiber, providing increased data speeds and reliability, as well as reduced cost. Additional benefits include increased element: of security, making the system less prone to "hacks" perpetrated by outside sources.

Current industry topics include regulatory and legislative elements, issues of cyber-security, as well as the continuing evolution and influence of AI. As such, this business currently maintains active engagement with multiple partners to ensure proper legislative voice, including The Rural Broadband Association, Iowa Communications Alliance and the Wisconsin Broadband Association.

Mark maintains his North Scott Rotary membership to his father, who led Mark's current organization for over 50 years, as well as being a 40-year North Scott Rotary Club member. Indeed, a picture dated Sept 21, 1973, attests to this Rotary engagement. Mark surmises that the occasion of the picture must have constituted a rather poignant and joyous affair, as fate would allow, Mark entered the world exactly 9 months and 1 week later. Hmm...

Meeting notes submitted by Drew Wilson.

UPCOMING PROGRAM

North Scott Rotarian Michele Darland, Senior Director of Relationship Advancement and Donor Network Chair for Women United at United Way Quad Cities.



LAST WEEK'S MEETING:

Attendance was 59 members,
5 guests and 2 by Zoom.
Sean Eckhardt collected
\$64 in fines.

PIE AUCTION

Lemon Meringue Pie baked by Linda Paustian, purchased by Rob White for \$300
Cherry Pie baked by Carrie Keppy, purchased by Sean Eckhardt for \$250
Cinnamon Rolls donated by Tracy Lindaman, purchased by Sara Tomasson for \$75
Snickerdoodle Cookies baked by Deb Peterson, purchased by Mark Harvey for \$60



Order North Scott Rotary items clothing at :

<https://www.empoweringabilities.org/stores/north-scott-rotary/>

Calendar of Events



Thursday, October 17th: Project Renewal 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. we'll be planting and mulching

Friday, Oct. 18: "Women United: kindergarten readiness and the state of the QC kids entering elementary school," arranged by Michele Darland.

Friday, October 18th: Project Renewal 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. we'll be laying sod

Tuesday, Oct. 22: World Polio Day dinner and program at the Quad City Botanical Center, Rock Island.

Friday, Oct. 25: Friendly Friday at North Scott Junior High, arrive at 7:20 a.m. to welcome the students.

Friday, Oct. 25: How to use Clubrunner presented by Tony Knobbe and Patrick Olsen, arranged by Tony Knobbe

Friday, Nov. 1: Ashley Velez, Executive Director & Megan Brown-Saldana, Chief Development Officer for Humility Homes & Services, arranged by Deanna Jensen-Valliere.

Friday, Nov. 8: Board Meeting at Steeplegate bar area 10:30 am

Friday, Nov. 8: program TBA.

Friday, Nov. 15: program TBA.

Friday, Nov. 15: District 6000 "Magic of Giving Gala" at World Food Prize Hall of Laureates, Des Moines.

Friday, Nov. 22: Friendly Friday at North Scott Junior High, arrive at 7:20 a.m. to welcome the students.

Friday, Nov. 22: Service Above Self Gala, at Rhythm City Casino

Friday, Nov. 29 – No meeting, Holiday weekend

CLUB SERVICE

GREETERS:

Oct. 18: Marcia Brandt & Dale Grunwald

Oct. 25: Rich Horst & Terrye Kishiue

INSPIRATION:

Oct. 18: Theresa White
Oct. 25: Chance Berger

SONG LEADERS:

Oct. 18: Paul Holzworth
Oct. 25: Kelly Meyer

PIANO:

Oct. 18: Marguerite Holzworth
Oct. 25: TBA

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Oct. 18: Pat Olsen
Oct. 25: Dr. Brad Burt

NEWSLETTER:

Oct. 18: Bill Hoover
Oct. 25: Samantha Culver

BLUE BADGE EARNED



Congrats to **Jennifer Cress** on earning her Blue Badge! Thank you for your dedication and service within our club.

Photo taken by Stephanie Eckhardt.

MEETING RECAP

Amy Thompson was welcomed as a new member, and recounts a story involving her daughter who delights in tracking her parents of their phone app, thus earning the nickname "Creepy Stalker". When confronting said creepy stalker regarding the day's events on a recent Friday, the daughter replies, "All I know is that you were at some random hotel in Davenport this afternoon."

Jennifer Kress earned her blue badge.

Greg Schaapveld provided updated and engagement opportunities for the pollinator project.

Jeremy Kaiser recapped the Harvest Party.

Steve Fahrenkrog was accompanied by his bride Tammy. **Diane Papke-Cole** was joined by her son Evan and his fiancée Vera from Stuttgart, Germany.

Mike Bristley, made his second appearance at North Scott Rotary as a guest of Dr. Brad Burt, who was absent.

Pat Olsen provided updates on the bandshell unveiling, as well as the upcoming auction.

Greg Schaapveld outlined upcoming events for World Polio Day.

Recap submitted by Drew Wilson

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Welcome to our newest member, **Amy Thompson**. She is the Executive Director of the North Scott YMCA. Amy resides in Bettendorf with her husband Pete and 2 children. She has 15 years professional experience as a teacher and is a graduate of the University of Iowa and Western Illinois University. Her sponsor **Katie White** says that she has some new ideas for the Y and would like to sponsor a child in Uganda. Please take time to introduce yourself to Amy!



Photo taken by Stephanie Eckhardt.

Rotary Homework:

October 25th meeting will be a tutorial on ClubRunner, your access to member, meeting, and special events information.

BEFORE that meeting please:

Download the ClubRunner app on your smartphone.

Attempt to login. Your signon is **Firstname.lastname.1663**

Play around a bit and come prepared with questions.

Bring your smartphone to the meeting.



Youth Harvest Day:

North Scott: (23 + NSHS students):

Jim and Jean Smith, Dick Cole, Dale Grunwald, Sean Eckhardt, Jill Grunwald, Carrie Keppy, Jen Kress, Merle and Mary Lou Anderson, Matt Maiers, Deanna Jensen-Valliere, Jeremy Kaiser, Tracy Lindaman, NSHS students, Anita Wubbena, Marcia Brandt, Deb Peterson, Greg Schapveld, Ryan Johnson, Mark Harvey, Stephanie Eckhardt, Paul Kalainoff, Susan Kalainoff, Tyler Bindrum, Sandy Pistole. *Davenport: (13 + Jr Rotarians):*

Dan Sochenberger, Doug and Ami Wells, Mike Hamman, Mike Weipert, Davenport- Junior Rotarians, Josh Lederman, Bill Burress, Brock and Carol Earnhart, Maggie Tinsman. Anita Z-S, Holly Cochran, Dana and Justin Holsetin, Tracy Thuman.



Thank you to Deb Peterson, Tracy Lindamen and Stephanie Eckhardt for taking photos!

Lunch on the Farm:

John Maxwell hosted lunch at Cinnamon Ridge Farms with the North Scott FFA as a fundraiser for the Donahue Fire Department.

This is such a fun event, while attending I ran in to multiple other Rotarians:

John Maxwell, Stephanie Eckhardt, Rotary Exchange Student Sofia, Carrie Keppy and Jordon Williams.

(sorry if I missed any others that were there!)



Project Renewal Volunteers Needed:

We are looking for 5 to 10 volunteers on to help on each of the following dates at Project Renewal:

Thursday, October 17th, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

we'll be planting and mulching

Friday, October 18th, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

we'll be laying sod

Bring hand tools and gloves if you have them.

Project Renewal: 513 Warren St Davenport, IA 52802

Below is a rendering of what it'll look like once it's growing:



SERVICE ABOVE SELF TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

North Scott Rotarians can purchase tickets for our Service Above Self Gala. (Tickets to the general public will go on sale soon). You are assessed \$100 as part of your dues structure and that includes 2 tickets to this event!

Ticket includes dinner (salad, main course, dessert) and 2 drink tickets. You can purchase additional tickets at \$50 per ticket and the club can assess you for them. Tables are seated for 10 people. We need to know how many are attending so you must reserve your tickets by reaching out to Pat Olsen. Additionally please let him know if you cannot make it as well.

If you are a sponsor, sponsor tickets are in addition to your member tickets. Sponsors will be reached out to for the names of their guests using the sponsor tickets.

For ticket information, please contact Pat Olsen at 563-212-2533 or olsenpatrickd@gmail.com



Reminder:
The pie auction helps raise money for the Service Above Self Auction, so get bidding! Pictured is **Sean Eckhardt** clearly happy he won Carrie Keppy's award winning Apple pie.

THANK YOU

to the following businesses and individuals for sponsoring our upcoming Service Above Self Gala:

PLATINUM

Bill and Linda Tubbs

GOLD

Ross and Carol Paustian

Chris Connolly, Wells Fargo Advisors

Per Mar Security Services

White Roofing

IHMVCU

ORA

SILVER

Tower Trust & Investment Company (Northwest Bank & Trust Company, Investment Management Group)

Olsen Financial

First Central State Bank

Amhof Trucking

Jeff and Mindy Helms

Whitehaven Veterinary Center

Central Broadband

Porter Insurance

Grunwald Land Development/ SimplyZoom

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Joe and Jamie Stutting

Eldridge Spine and Wellness

BRONZE

Carpetland USA

Merle & Mary Lou Anderson

Dwayne Anderson Co. Commercial Real Estate

The Eckhardt Team at Ruhl & Ruhl

Burt Chiropractic

Aqua Tech Car Wash

Terracon

Sierk Orthodontics

Jack & Jeanne Schinckel

Rich & Mary Gollinghorst

Charlie and Rita Jones

Please reach out to Pat Olsen or Katie White with any questions regarding the Service Above Self Gala or if you would like to be a sponsor at this year's event!!

If you would like to donate an item, please bring it with you to our Friday meetings. Any questions regarding donations, please reach out to Pat Olsen or Mindy Leahy.