



# North Scottarian

North Scott Rotary - Eldridge and Davenport, IA  
 March 12th, 2025

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**PROGRAM RECAP**

**HAV-Life with Mike Vondran**

Scott Case introduced guest Rep. Mike Vondran. Mike joined us not to talk about politics, but his non profit organization HAV-Life which stands for Hunter Aaron Vondran Memorial Foundation.



HAV-Life is named after his son who passed in 2007. With his son’s medical issues there were large hospital bills and people sent him money to help with those bills. However he didn’t need the \$20k that was donated, but it needed to be used in some way. He spent time trying to figure out what would be the best way to honor his son. He realized that some young people didn’t have the opportunity to take music lessons, sports lessons, didn’t have shoes. From that HAV-Life was created with the mission to prevent lost potential of youth ages 10 -15 through support of participation in athletics, music and the arts.

Through donations and fundraising HAV-Life was able to provide opportunity of \$1.3 million as of 2024. This has allowed thousands of students here in the Quad Cities to participate in athletics, music and art programs. Last year the breakdown was 55% athletics, 35% music and 10% art. Students who would benefit from the assistance are typically identified through partnerships with schools or other organizations like Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Their signature event is the Martini Shake off. 100% of proceeds go back to their mission. The North School School District is a partner and over last few years 25k has being given to the district.

The program is targeted at ages 10 - 15 because middle school is a crossroads, when kids are introduced to both good and bad things. Mike and the organization wanted to keep people engaged in positive activities. By helping kids who don’t have the funds take part in a camp, lesson or sports it’s a way to help a kid find a spark. Once that spark is ignited it can turn into a passion or hobby that the child can have motivation, drive and passion for.

HAV-Life erases the fee for an activity for a kid, making it easier to have a shot, have an opportunity. They focus on youth, moving them from at risk kids to kids who see the potential they have.

*Meeting notes submitted by Danielle Hines*

No cash? No problem! Scan below to send \$ to @NSRotary via Venmo.



**UPCOMING PROGRAM**

Update on Iowa Legislature from State Rep. Gary Mohr  
 arranged by Richard Pokora

**Order North Scott Rotary items clothing at :**

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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Fri, March 14th:** 10:30 Board Meeting at Steeplegate

**Fri. March 14th:** Update on Iowa Legislature from State Rep. Gary Mohr arranged by Richard Pokora

**Fri, March 21st:** Jennifer Claeys Quad City Outdoor Womens Club arranged by Marcia Brandt

**Tue, March 25th:** Rotary Reads at John Glenn 11:00 (Tracy Lindaman, Theresa White and Jan Touney)

**Wed, March 26th:** Dictionary distribution to 4th grades at Harrison Elementary at 8:30, Truman at 9:30, Filmore at 10:30.

**Fri, March 28th :** 7:20 am Friendly Friday at NSJH

**Fri, March 28th:** Tammy Becker, CEO of Green Current Solutions arranged by Drew Wilson

**Tues, April 1st:** Rotary Reads at John Glenn 11:00 (Crista Ashcraft, Deanna Jensen-Valliere, Tricia Kane, Tracy Lindaman)

**Fri,, April 4th:** TBA

**Fri, April 11th:** 10:30 Board Meeting at Steeplegate

**Fri, April 11th:** TBA

**Sat, April 12th:** District 6000 Conference at FFA Enrichment Center DMACC Ankeny, Iowa

## MEETING RECAP

**Theresa White** shared a phenomenal inspiration. I'm a giver, not a taker, I'm a Rotarian shaker and volunteering is my gig. **Tony Knobbe, Drew Wilson, Jeff Ashcraft, Deanna Jensen Valliere** sang it beautifully!

**John Maxwell** reminder us we have reading at John Glenn Tuesdays, schedule full but happy to add people.

**Stephanie Eckhardt** shared March 26th expanding dictionaries to some Davenport elementaries.

**Paul Kalanioff**, still looking for youth exchange family.

**Pat Olsen** still looking for volunteers for March 11th Police Luncheon sponsored by **Brad Burt/Aqua Tech**.

**Tyler Bindrum** reminded us March 12th is Big for a day with Big Brothers Big Sister. We have a spot at Ed White and 5 spots at Neil Armstrong.

**Deanna Jensen Valerie** shared Rotary Leader Institute already full, great thing to look into in the future.

**Greg Schaapveld** reminded us of the upcoming District Conference encouraging those who would like to sign up for the dinner celebrating Guardian of Integrity award winners, ours is **John Maxwell**.

**Becky Bray** shared card to send to **Shelia Volrath** for celebrating halfway through chemo treatment.

**Kelly Meyer** April 12th softball toss special Olympics, will have sign up soon.

**Scott Case**, this Monday is Davenport Central Singers Incorporated Day, they've had a great season.

**Tony Knobbe**. Behind every successful man is a woman who thinks he's an idiot. Also shared about an incident in the Treasury office.

**Sean Eckhardt** shared that Addison is asking for people to sign up to sponsor North Scott Golf team with the poster.

**Dick Cole** shared "as long as the mic is back here". ... I was a greeter last week and some people bypassed me.

*notes submitted by Danielle Hines .*

## CLUB SERVICE

### GREETERS:

Mar 14: Amy T. and Rich Horst  
Mar 21: Sam Culver and Rily G  
Mar 28: M. Bristley and Jan Touney

### SONG LEADERS:

Mar 14: Kelly Meyer  
Mar 21: Drew Wilson  
Mar 28: John Maxwell

### PIANO:

Mar 14: Tewanta Lopez  
Mar 21: Marguerite Holzworth  
Mar 28: Ron May

### INSPIRATION:

Mar 14: Deanna JV  
Mar 21: Dick Cole  
Mar 28: Drew Wilson

### NEWSLETTER:

Mar 14: Marcia Brandt  
Mar 21: Sam Culver  
Mar 28: Drew Wilson

### SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Mar 14: Pat Olsen  
Mar 21: Kelly Meyer  
Mar 28: John Maxwell

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance on March 7 was 48 members, 6 guests and 5 on Zoom. Guests were the speaker Mike Vondran, Mike Zimmer, Randy White, guest of Katie White, Josh Koerperich, guest of Deanna Jensen-Valliere, and Bob Seiren and Colleen McDevitt-Brown, guests of Tony Knobbe. Joining on Zoom were Merle Anderson, Steve Suiter, Don Sierk, Fred Mulch and Jody Johnston-Mohr. Fines collected by Brad Burt were \$59.

## SARGE SHENANIGANS

Brad Burt was the sarge. He fined:

**Jen Kress** for her UNI basketball shirt

He tested **Becky Bray** with Iowa Hawkeye knowledge and fined **Eric Langan** when he failed.

**Sara Somsy**, honestly not sure why.

**Tyler Bindrum** for Big for a Day announcement because **Kelly Meyer** thought it meant she could be big for a day.

**Dick Cole** for being sensitive.

Guest Josh for his daughters birthday (this was controversial, do we fine guests?)

Fined **Rich Pokora**

**John Maxwell** because he had a fight with a razor

**Mike Zimmer**, because he's new pay

**Hank Runge** for being here

**Paul Holzworth**

**Danielle Hines** for working on the newsletter during the meeting, demanded "email me 5 things you did this week or you're fired."

**Theresa White** for playing a song that has the words midnight toker in it. Theresa shared she just learned what that meant.

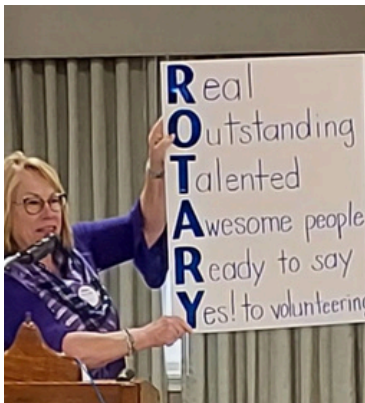
Anybody who sang today.

**Katie White**, Randy didn't wear the Aqua Tech hat

**Deanna Jensen Valliere** for the expensive commercial last week

And lastly, haven't been to Friendly Friday, pay \$.

## AWESOME INSPIRATION



**Theresa White** came prepared for inspiration. Not only did she know what she was going to say but she had visuals and treats to pass out to those who participated!

**Drew Wilson** was one who sang along!



Rotary stands for:  
**Real  
Outstanding  
Talented  
Awesome people  
Ready to say  
Yes to volunteering!**

## AWARD RECOGNITION

Shout out to John Maxwell and Cinnamon Ridge Farms for their recent recognition of Wallaces Farmer Iowa Master Farmer.



## PRESIDENT ELECT TRAINING

North Scott Rotary was well represented at District 6000 President Elect Training Sessions last weekend. The sessions were hosted at DMACC in Newton, attended by Tony Knobbe, Deanna Jensen Valliere and Assistant District Governor Jeff Ashcraft. The day was full of networking, learning and sharing about best practices. Congrats to Tony



Knobbed and Deanna Jensen Valliere for completing the training!



If you have something you'd like included in the newsletter please email [DanielleRaeHines@gmail.com](mailto:DanielleRaeHines@gmail.com)

## NORTH SCOTT ROTARY MEMBERSHIP INDUCTION DATES (2025 Anniversaries)

### 1973-79 (2)

Rob White, 48 years (November 1977)  
Bob Bainter, 46 years (February 1979)

### 1980-89 (3)

Scott Case, 45 years (May 1980)  
Dick Cole, 34 years (1986-89, March 1994)  
\*Pat DeLuca, 23 years (1987-2001, July 2014)

### 1990-99 (15)

Jim Smith, 35 years (March 1990)  
Charlie Jones, 34 years (June 1991)  
\*Merle Anderson, 33 years (December 1992)  
Steve Powell, 32 years (January 1993)  
Roger Amhof, 30 years (February 1995)  
Eddie Newman, 30 years (September 1995)  
Jim Koehler, 30 years (December 1995)  
Jeff Ashcraft, 23 years (1996-2008, July 2014)  
Anita Wubbena, 29 years (December 1996)  
Steve Fahrenkrog, 27 years (June 1998)  
Becky Bray, 27 years (December 1998)  
Kelly Meyer, 26 years (April 1999)  
Jack Schinckel, 26 years (April 1999)  
Sheila Volrath, 26 years (October 1999)  
Hank Runge, 26 years (December 1999)

### 2000-09 (17)

John Maxwell, 25 years (December 2000)  
Jeff Helms, 25 years (December 2000)  
Bradley Burt, 22 years (January 2003)  
Fred Mulch, 22 years (June 2003)  
Glen Keppy, 22 years (September 2003)  
Leroy Paustian, 21 years (June 2004)  
Kim Wilkins, 20 years (January 2005)  
Eric Langan, 20 years (February 2005)  
Jody Johnston-Mohr, 20 years (July 2005)  
Richard Golinghorst, 20 years (July 2005)  
Glenn Eakes, 19 years (January 2006)  
Cody Allen, 19 years (January 2006)  
Richard Horst, 19 years (March 2006)  
Paul Kalainoff, 19 years (July 2006)  
\*Chris Connolly, 19 years (October 2006)  
Tom Messer, 17 years (March 2008)  
Jeremy Kaiser, 17 years (May 2008)

### 2010-19 (35)

Ryan Varner, 15 years (October 2010)  
Marty O'Boyle, 15 years (October 2010)  
Lori Rochau, 15 years (November 2010)  
Jerry Coussens, 14 years (January 2011)  
Marcia Brandt, 14 years (August 2011)  
Seth Porter, 14 years (August 2011)  
Nathan Kessler, 13 years (January 2012)  
Pat Olsen, 13 years (February 2012)  
Greg Schaapveld, 13 years (April 2012)  
Paul Holzworth, 13 years (April 2012)  
Terry Kishiue, 13 years (June 2012)  
Donn Wilmott, 13 years (December 2012)  
Josh Cobie, 12 years (March 2013)  
\*Richard Pokora, 12 years (March 2013)  
\*Joe Stutting, 11 years (August 2014)

Tricia Kane, 11 years (September 2014)  
Deb Peterson, 11 years (September 2014)  
Jan Touney, 9 years (January 2016)  
Mike Thavenet, 9 years (February 2016)  
Donald Sierk, 14 years (1980-85, June 2016)  
Tyler Bindrum, 9 years (June 2016)  
Chris Cournoyer, 8 years (May 2017)  
Tracy Lindaman, 8 years (September 2017)  
Matt Maiers, 7 years (February 2018)  
Tony Knobbe, 7 years (May 2018)  
Ryan Johnson, 7 years (June 2018)  
\*Deanna Jensen-Valliere, 7 years (July 2018)  
Heather Wagner, 7 years (November 2018)  
Brian Ritter, 6 years (January 2019)  
Diane Papke-Cole, 6 years (March 2019)  
Jason Happel, 6 years (March 2019)  
Sara Somsky, 6 years (April 2019)  
Theresa White, 6 years (August 2019)  
Dwayne Anderson, 6 years (November 2019)  
Jimmy Holt, 6 years (November 2019)

### 2020-present (38)

\*Mahesh Sharma, 5 years (February 2020)  
Brad Nielsen, 5 years (February 2020)  
Mindy Leahy, 5 years (April 2020)  
Danielle Hines, 4 years (April 2021)  
Marcie Ordaz, 4 years (August 2021)  
Ken Rohwedder, 4 years (October 2021)  
Chance Berger, 3 years (January 2022)  
Catherine Meinsma, 3 years (January 2022)  
Michele Darland, 3 years (April 2022)  
Drew Wilson, 3 years (April 2022)  
Smokin Butts BBQ, Rick Willows, 3 years (April 2022)  
Smokin Butts BBQ, Brian Sheedy, 3 years (April 2022)  
Katie White, 3 years (April 2022)  
Scott Webster, 3 years (June 2022)  
Ross Paustian, 3 years (July 2022)  
Mitch Amhof, 3 years (August 2022)  
Matthew Rus, 3 years (September 2022)  
Dale Grunwald, 3 years (November 2022)  
Jill Grunwald, 3 years (November 2022)  
\*Sean Eckhardt, 3 years (December 2022)  
\*Stephanie Eckhardt, 3 years (December 2022)  
Jordon Williams, 2 (January 2023)  
Mark Harvey, 2 years (March 2023)  
Paul Thronson, 2 years (March 2023)  
Rily Grunwald, 2 years (March 2023)  
Ardita Grunwald, 2 years (March 2023)  
Kerri Hurning, 2 years (May 2023)  
Erica Schroeder-Cerda, 2 years (May 2023)  
Monica Hursey, 2 years (September 2023)  
Dr. William Hoover, 2 years (September 2023)  
Laura Williams, 2 years (October 2023)  
Carrie Keppy, 2 years (November 2023)  
Jennifer Kress (March 2024)  
Bryan Bolen (June 2024)  
\*Sandy Pistole (June 2024)  
Samantha Culver, (July 2024)  
Amy Thompson (October 2024)  
Michael Bristley (November 2024)

(\* Years in Rotary Club(s) other than North Scott not included