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August 6, 2025

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PROGRAM RECAP

Hudson Strong Foundation: Jessica and Kyle McKearney

Ardita Grunwald introduced our speakers, Jessica and Kyle McKearney, who founded The Hudson Strong Foundation in 2022. Their story began in 2019 when their son, Hudson, was diagnosed with B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL). After completing three years of chemotherapy, Hudson remains in remission and is thriving. They received lots of financial and community support during Hudson’s treatments and wanted to find a way to give back to other families trying to survive the trenches of childhood cancer.

Their goal is to advocate and raise awareness and funding for childhood cancer. The foundation was created to send emotional support, as well as practical and individual care packages to those impacted by pediatric cancer. They coordinate with the University of Iowa Stead Family Children’s Hospital, with a social worker facilitating so that they can reach more families. They provide packages to cancer patients ages 0-17 who are in active treatment and reside in the state of Iowa. The packages are individualized and include items for all members of the immediate family. To date, over 50 care packages have been provided.

Ways you can help support the Hudson Strong Foundation include monetary donations, blood donations (The Hudson Strong Foundation blood drive and lemonade stand fundraiser is on Saturday, September 13 th at Park View Lutheran Church), item donations via the Hudson Strong Foundation Wish List on Amazon, toy drives held yearly, pediatric cancer awareness, and by supporting the annual formal gala, which will be held this next weekend.

Childhood cancer is significantly underfunded, any awareness, voice, and support you can give helps!

Those who purchased tickets that Jeff Aschcraft auctioned off include include: Dale Grunwald, Tracy Lindaman, Sean Eckhardt, Deanna J-V, Bill Hoover, Maria Bribribesco , Danielle Hines, Deb Peterson



Meeting notes submitted by Mindy Leahy



UPCOMING PROGRAM

Riley Inch and Hailey Schaack Recap RYLA experience

Friday meeting @ Cunnick- Collins Life Celebration Center
1200 E 39th Street in Davenport.

Order North Scott Rotary items clothing at :

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

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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thurs Aug 7th: 10:00 am NS Community feed our children at Faith Lutheran Church to prepare sack lunches
Fri, Aug 8th: Board Meeting 10:30 am @ Cunnick Collins
Fri, August 8th : 11:15 Golf Committee meeting
Fri, Aug 8th: RYLA students Recap of their experience, Cunnick-Collins
Sat, Aug 9th: Rotary Night at the River Bandits 6:30 pm
Fri, Aug 15th : Sara K. with Family Resources/Braking Traffik , Cunnick- Collins location
Fri, August 22nd: Jennifer Sulgrove with Americans for Prosperity, Cunnick- Collins location
Fri, August 29th: No Meeting (Observance of Labor Day)
Fri, September 5th : Linda Wastyn One Table efforts on behalf of Quad City non-profits
Fri, September 12th : Golf Outing @ Glynn's Creek Golf Course, Scott County Park
Fri, September 19th : Board meeting with District Governor
Fri, September 19th : program is District Governor Norlan Hinke visit
Fri, September 26th : Offsite at Regional Innovation Center, Eldridge

CLUB SERVICE

GREETERS:

Aug 8th: Mindy Leahy & Jan Touney

Aug 15th: Marty O'Boyle & Rily Grunwald

Aug 22nd: Marcia Brandt & Fred Mulch

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Aug 8th: Patrick Olsen

Aug 15th: Nathan Kessler

Aug 22nd: John Maxwell

INSPIRATION:

Aug 8th: Theresa White

Aug 15th: Drew Wilson

Aug 22nd: Jill Grunwald

NEWSLETTER:

Aug 8th : Becky Bray

Aug 15th : Sam Culver

Aug 22nd : Theresa White

PIANO:

Aug 8th : Tewanta Lopez

Aug 15th: Marguerite Holzworth

Aug 22nd: Ron May

SONG LEADERS:

Aug 8th : Jody Johnston-Mohr

Aug 15th : Paul Holzworth

Aug 22nd : Drew Wilson

MENU

Meatloaf, garlic mashed potatoes, green beans, salad

MEETING RECAP

Attendance on August 1 was 53 members, 5 adult guests and 4 kids. Guests were: Jessica and Kyle McKearney, speakers, Todd Ashby, guest of **Marcia Brandt**, Mark Mommsen, guest of (absent) **John Maxwell** and Jean Schinckel, guest of **Jack Schinckel**. Fines collected by **Kelly Meyer** were \$27. **Tracy Lindaman** donated \$35 to the education fund to celebrate her and Matt's anniversary.

Stephanie Eckhardt gave the reflection, sharing the poem "Little Eyes Upon You" and reminded us all that we set an example everyday in everything we do.

We all celebrated August birthdays with "Happy Birthday"!

Deb Peterson shared a reminder of Thursday, Aug. 7th Feed Our Children lunch support.

Pat Olsen shared that this week's police lunch had to be rescheduled. It will be either August 13th or 20th , watch for date confirmation.

Many business and personal announcements. **Pat Olsen** thanked **Deanna** and team and asked that all club members be patient as they work on searching for a new venue.

Jeff Ashcraft celebrated the birth of his 3rd grandchild, and 1st grandson.

Scott Case encouraged all to go see Countryside Community Theater's production of Hairspray.

Sean Eckhardt invited all to consider participating in the Davenport Rotary Golf Outing at DCC on September 19th and the NS Athletic Boosters Golf Outing on September 28th.

Jack Schinckel said that one of his unfortunate 90th birthday gifts is that he's no longer driving and is seeking members to give him a ride to meetings.

Maria Bribiesco thanked everyone for thoughts & prayers, her sister-in-law recently unexpectedly passed away.

Many celebrating anniversaries: Matt and **Tracy Lindaman** 35 years; Lorene and **Tony Knobbe** 43 years; **Sean** and **Stephanie Eckhardt** 19 years; Bill and **Marcia Brandt** 15 years.

After the program, Deanna lead us in the 4-Way-Test, which going forward will be part of each meeting after singing America the Beautiful. She then thanked **Hank Runge**, Tracy his assistant, and Cunnick-Collins for providing today's location.
meeting notes submitted by Mindy Leahy

AUGUST MEETINGS

At our last meeting details of the recent meeting location issues were presented so that members are aware as to why we were seeking a new location. Information on locations being considered and the facility requirements were also discussed.

For the month of August we will be meeting at:
Cunnick-Collins Life Celebration Center - 1200 E 39th Street in Davenport.

SARGE SCHENANIGANS

Kelly Meyer fined many Rotarians who are pictured on the NS school website as they were an easy target. She fined herself for being the song leader and sergeant on the same day.

Tony Knobbe was fined for providing TMI about his wedding day and anniversary details.

Other fines included anyone who mentioned an anniversary, all August birthdays, and all who raised their hand indicating they would give **Jack** a ride.

The Four-Way Test (of the things we Think, Say or Do)

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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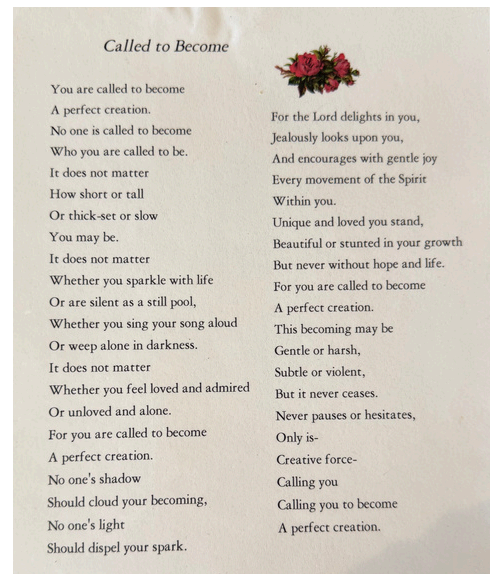
MATCHING TRIO

Kelly Meyer, Tracy Lindaman and Stephanie Eckhardt all showed up to the meeting last week in unintentional matching attire.



INSPIRATION

Stephanie Eckhardt shared the following poem at the last meeting.



ROTARY NIGHT **\$20** INCLUDES BOX SEAT AND \$10 BANDIT CARD
AUGUST 9TH | VS BELOIT SKY CARP | 5:30 PM

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