



North Scottarian

North Scott Rotary - Eldridge and Davenport, IA
November 5, 2025

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PROGRAM RECAP

TMBC Lincoln Center

At our most recent Rotary meeting, Tracy Singleton, director of the TMBC Lincoln Center, gave an inspiring presentation on the center’s work and impact. Invited by Ardita Grunwald, Tracy opened with a quote from Star Wars—“Never tell me the odds”—tying into the meeting’s theme and the center’s resilient spirit.

Located at 318 E. 7th Street in Davenport, the Lincoln Center operates out of the former Lincoln Elementary School. TMBC stands for Together Making a Better Community, and the center houses around 20 businesses and nonprofits. It is a Black-founded, -led, and -focused organization, though its programs are open to all.

The center offers a wide range of services: boxing, art, basketball, a walk-in health clinic, and a business center co-launched with Goodwill. Tracy shared how a local boxer’s need to print a contract inspired the creation of the business center, which now provides services like computer access and notary services.

Literacy is a major focus. With only 11% of Black third graders reading at grade level, the center offers a free library and runs a “Cops and Kids” reading program with the Davenport Police. Tracy also shared the story of a 16-year-old who had never owned a book—he now receives one from her monthly.

With just three staff members and a 200% increase in participation over the past year, the center relies heavily on volunteers. Rotarians can support by spreading the word and volunteering time or skills. Learn more at thelincolncenterqc.org or follow them on Facebook.

meeting notes submitted by Sam Culver

UPCOMING PROGRAM



Paula Kreiter Turelli with Family Resources

Paula Krieter Turelli is the Chief Development Officer at [Family Resources](#)

Meeting will be at our new home location, Hilton Garden Inn.

GOODIE AUCTION

- Blueberry pie baked by Linda Paustian, purchased by Carrie Keppy \$140
- Apple berry pie baked by Linda Paustian’s students, purchased by Patrick Olsen \$105
- Maple Bacon Pecan pie baked by Jordon Williams, purchased by Mark Harvey \$85
- Pecan pie baked by Joan Maxwell, purchased by Marcia Brandt \$65
- Apple Carmel bars baked by Jan Touney, purchased by Greg Schaapveld \$65
- Cinnamon rolls donated by Tracy Lindaman, purchased by Tony Knobbe \$50
- Pumpkin bars donated by Jordon Williams guest, purchased by Mark Mommsen \$45

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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed, November 5th: New Member Orientation at the Scott County Library in Eldridge.

Fri, November 7th : Paula Kreiter Turelli with Family Resources at Hilton Garden Inn arranged by Deanna Jensen Valliere

Fri, November 14th : 10:30 am Board of Directors meeting

Fri, November 14th : Matthew Doty, Iowa National guard arranged by Chris Cournoyer at Hilton Garden Inn

Fri, November 21st : 7:20 am Friendly Friday NSJH

Fri, November 21st : no regular noon meeting due to Gala

Fri, November 21st : Service Above Self Gala Waterfront Convention Center

Fri, November 28th : No meeting, Holiday break

Fri, December 5th : 10:30 am Program Committee meeting

Fri, December 5th : Nicole Cisne Durbin with Family Resources introducing and describing successes of the CAP program arranged by Jeremy Kaiser at Hilton Garden Inn

Fri, December 12th : Board Meeting 10:30 at Hilton Garden Inn

Fri, December 12th : Rick Davis, Moment's performance group arranged by Deanna Jensen Valliere at Hilton Garden Inn

Fri, December 19th : 7:20 am Friendly Friday NSJH

Fri, December 19th : TBA at Hilton Garden Inn

Fri, Dec 26th : No Meeting Holiday Break

Fri, Jan 2nd : No Meeting Holiday Break

MEETING RECAP

Attendance on October 31 was 52 members and 5 guests. Guests were Nicholas Reuter, Rotary Club of Davenport, Veena Wulfekule, Rotary Club of Bettendorf, Deztiney Kirk, guest of **Jordon Williams**, Marguerite Holzworth and Tracy Singleton, the speaker. Attending via Zoom were **Jody Johnston-Mohr, Steve Suiter** and **Deanna Jensen-Valliere**. **John Maxwell** was the sergeant and collected \$87 in fines that were turned over to the auction chairs for enhancement of silent auction items.

Tony Knobbe shared fun facts during his reflection and had us recite Star Wars quotes to get us in the Halloween spirit.

New member orientation is on November 5 at 5:30 pm at the Scott County Library in Eldridge.

Pat Olsen gave an update on the Service Above Self Gala. We have \$26,000 in sponsorships so far. Please contact Pat if you are interested in sponsoring or know someone who might be interested. Also, if you haven't confirmed your attendance, please let Pat know as soon as possible.

Items are still needed for the auction. Please bring items by November 14 and let a committee member know if you have items to contribute or know of someone willing to donate.

Merle Anderson shared that there are 5 new sponsors for the Imbabazi Center for Women and Children in Uganda. 60 kids are now sponsored at the center.

Tracy Lindaman and **Joe Stutting** gave an update on North Scott sports and theater.

Stephanie Eckhardt reminded everyone to vote in the upcoming election.

notes submitted by Sam Culver

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November 3rd: Heather Wagner

November 5th: Lori Rochau

November 6th: Tyler Bindurm

November 8th: Michael Bristley

November 11th: Eddie Newman

November 13th: Tricia Kane

November 14th: Rich Golvinghorst

November 20th: Diane Papke-Cole

November 25th: Deb Peterson

November 26th: Paul Holzworth

November 27th: Ryan Varner

November 27th: Scott Case

November 29th: Roger Amhof

November 30th: Steve Powell

CLUB SERVICE

GREETERS:

Nov. 7th : Mike Zimmer and Diane Papke-Cole

Nov. 14th : Marcia Brandt and Sean Eckhardt

NEWSLETTER:

Nov. 7th : Drew Wilson

Nov. 14th : Mindy Leahy

SONG LEADERS:

Nov. 7th : Jeff Ashcraft

Nov. 14th : Kelly Meyer

PIANO:

Nov. 7th : Teri Witkowski

Nov. 14th : Tewanta Lopez

INSPIRATION:

Nov. 7th : Stephanie Eckhardt

Nov. 14th : Drew Wilson

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Nov. 7th : TBA

Nov. 14th : TBA

INTERACT CLUB

Theresa and Gracie visited the Interact club last week! While there Theresa shared Gracie's dedication to Service Above Self



HOW TO PAY DUES:

Just a reminder on the various ways you can pay your dues if you don't want to write a check or pay in cash at a meeting.

Venmo: Code is on the newsletter every week. Please add 2% if using this method to cover fees.

Credit card: Ask Deb for a form, fill it out and she will charge your card every quarter. 3.5% will be added.

ACH bank draft: Ask Deb for a form, fill it out and she will charge your checking account every quarter. If desired amount due can be spread evenly over 3 months. No extra fee for ACH method.

DG Norlan Hinke invites you to join us for Rotary Foundation Receptions

- Monday, October 27th
Crestmore Country Club, 1101 West Townline St, Creston
- Monday, November 3rd
Della Viti Wine Bar, 323 Main St, Ames
- Thursday, November 13th
Turnwater, 318 Riverview Dr, Ft. Madison
- Monday, November 24th
Rayo Mexican, 127 E. Zellar St, North Liberty

6:00 - 8:00 PM
Program at 6:45
Appetizers & Cash Bar



FRIENDLY FRIDAY

These Rotarians had a blast welcoming Jr High Students to the building last week! Shout out to those who attended:

Jill Grunwald, Tracy Lindaman, Stephanie Eckhardt, Carrie Keppy, Diane Papke-Cole, Deb Peterson, Theresa White, Gracie, Jen Kress, Jan Touney



SERVICE ABOVE SELF GALA

Please reach out to Pat Olsen to let him know if you are attending or not. He needs an accurate head count. Reminder, this year the event will take place at the Waterfront Convention Center.

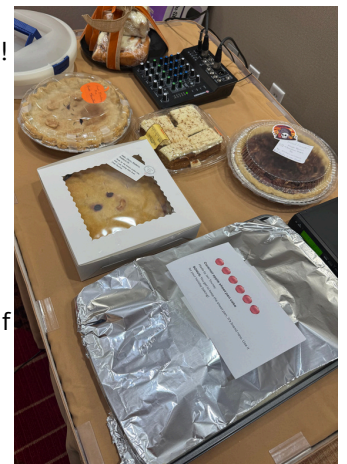
Also please bring items for our auction!

BAKERS NEEDED NOV. 14TH:

Thank you to all the bakers this past month! We have enough goodies for this Friday's meeting but are still in need of goodies to auction off during our Nov. 14th meeting.

Contact Deb Peterson if you plan on bringing something.

Remember, if you're not baking, get your wallet ready!



If you have something you'd like included in the newsletter please email **Danielle Hines:** DanielleRaeHines@gmail.com

Political Activity Policy (Board adopted 5/16/2025)

Bringing a local elected official or candidate as a guest

- Notify the Club President at least 2 hours before the meeting start
- Message limited to:
 - o 30 seconds maximum
 - o During “Minute for Business and Personal”
 - o Spoken from their table
- Hand-outs, petitions, requests, etc. only allowed before or after meeting, outside of meeting room, not in a manner implying required interaction

Bringing a statewide or nationally elected official or candidate as a guest

- Notify the Club President at least 2 hours before the meeting start
- Message limited to:
 - o 3 minutes maximum
 - o During “Announcements” or “Minute for Business and Personal”
 - o Spoken from podium or their table
 - o Should be relevant to club, non-political, and not campaigning, but can be related to pertinent issues of the office
 - o No questions from the membership
- Hand-outs, petitions, requests, etc. only allowed before or after meeting, outside of meeting room, not in a manner implying required interaction

Inviting elected official/candidate as Program Speaker

- Requires Program Committee Chair or Club President approval prior to the invitation • Message should be relevant to club, non-political, and not campaigning, but can be related to pertinent issues of the office
 - o Exception: Political campaign speeches require approval of Club Board
- Hand-outs, petitions, requests, etc. only allowed before or after meeting, outside of meeting room, not in a manner implying required interaction

Club Member or Fellow Rotarian running for office/re-election

- Requires Club President approval to speak about campaign during a meeting
- Hand-outs, petitions, requests, etc. only allowed before or after meeting, outside of meeting room, not in a manner implying required interaction

**The above policy was adopted by the board on 5/16/25.
For any questions please see Greg Schaapveld.**