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PROGRAM RECAP

Service Above Self Gala 2025

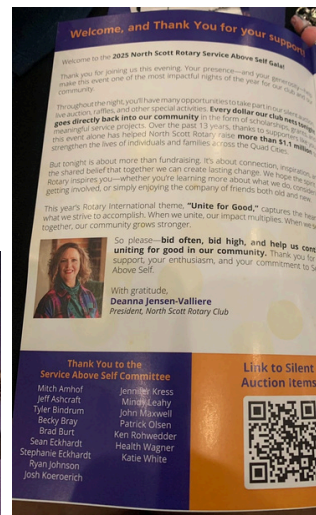
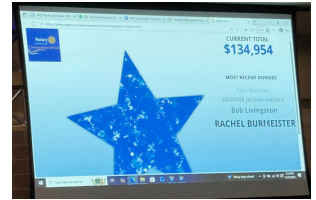
Our annual Service Above Self Gala was a fantastic event!!! We don't have our final numbers just yet, but it looks like we are on pace to NET our second highest total in the club's history!!

GIANT shout out to the entire Auction Committee. This event takes a lot of planning, logistics and time. A sincere thank you to everyone on the committee who helped put this together. Also thank you to all rotarians who showed up, brought guests, bid on items, sponsored the event or spent time helping the event run smoothly. I'd like to list everyone, but honestly there's just so many people I know somebody will be accidentally omitted. So THANK YOU to everyone who put effort in to make this event a success, you know who you are!

This event has morphed into something I'm not sure anyone in the club could've imagined but year over year we continue to come together in Rotary fellowship to raise money for our community, share our Rotary club with other community members and have a great time doing both!

Again, a huge thank you to the club and to the Gala committee on an extremely successful event! Pat Olsen will have final numbers soon and I'm sure he'll be sharing those with us. But cheers to a successful event. Additionally, be on the lookout for additional information on our Holiday Basket date of December 20th.

Gala Recap Provided by Pat Olsen/Danielle Hines



UPCOMING PROGRAM

Nicole Cisne Durbin with Family Resources

Nicole will be introducing and describing successes of the CAP program

Meeting will be held at Hilton Garden Inn.

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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 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 Hilton Garden Inn
- Fri, December 12th:** Rick Davis, Moment's performance group arranged by Deanna JV at Hilton Garden Inn
- Fri, December 19th:** 7:20 am Friendly Friday NSJH
- Fri, December 19th:** Informal Holiday Celebration" organized by Rich Horst and Tracy Lindaman at Hilton Garden Inn
- Fri, Dec 26th:** No Meeting Holiday Break
- Fri, Jan 2nd:** No Meeting Holiday Break
- Fri, Jan 9th:** TBA arranged by Marcia Brandt at Hilton Garden Inn
- Fri, Jan 16th:** Date held for holiday party more info TBA
- Fri, Jan 23rd:** TBA arranged Josh Koerprich at Hilton Garden Inn
- Fri, Jan 30th:** Membership Development Committee Presentation

CLUB SERVICE

GREETERS:

- Dec. 5th: Diane Papke-Cole & Fred Mulch
 Dec. 12th: Ken Rohwedder & Mitch Amhof
 Dec. 19th: Marcia Brandt & Stephanie Eckhardt

NEWSLETTER:

- Dec. 5th: Sam Culver
 Dec. 12th: Bill Hoover
 Dec. 19th: Mindy Leahy

INSPIRATION:

- Dec 5th: Scott Case
 Dec 12th: Becky Bray
 Dec 19th: John Maxwell

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

- Dec 5th: Jim Smith
 Dec 12th: Nathan Kessler
 Dec 19th: Kelly Meyer

PIANO:

- Dec 5th: Teri Wittkowski
 Dec 12th: Tewanta Lopez
 Dec 19th: TBD

SONG LEADERS:

- Dec 5th: Jody Johnston-Mohr
 Dec 12th: Paul Holzworth
 Dec 19th: Drew Wilson



HYVEE FOOD BASKETS

Our final ask of the night at the Gala was to raise funds for food baskets. We have partnered with Hy Vee to be able to provide holiday gift baskets to families in need this year for Christmas. Each basket is \$125. We will be partnering with the NS School District, Davenport School District, Humility Homes and other organizations to help identify families in need. We are targeting December 20th for organizations to pick up the baskets AND for Rotarians to be able to deliver baskets. (More details on that shortly). If you missed the event or couldn't stick around, we can still add baskets to the total!!! Just let us know and the club can bill you.

Our goal was to be able to raise funds for 100 baskets, we greatly surpassed that and will be doing 200 baskets!

Again, we are hoping to deliver these on Saturday December 20th and will need many Rotarians to help! More info to come!

Here is a recap of what is included in the Hyvee Holiday baskets:

| Proteins & Entrées | Sides & Traditional Fixings |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 4 lb. Ham 1 12-13 lb. Turkey 1 Package of Turkey Bag | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 HV Turkey Stuffing Mix (6 oz.) 1 Jar HV Turkey Gravy 2 Can HV Corn (15 oz.) 2 HV French-Style Green Beans (15 oz., no salt) 1 Can Princella Yams (15 oz.) 1 Can HV Mushroom Soup 1 Pkg. Brown & Serve Rolls 1 Cranberry Relish (16 oz.) |
| Fruits & Produce | Extras & Garnishes |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 15 lb. Bag Oranges 1 13 lb. Bag Gala Apples 1 Bunch of Bananas 2 lbs. Red Grapes 2 lbs. Baby Carrots 1 15 lb. Bag HV Russet Potatoes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 HV Crispy Onions (6 oz.) 1 HV Kosher Dill Pickles (24 oz.) 1 HV Stick Margarine (1 lb.) |

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- December 16th: Dick Cole Cole
 December 21st: Ken Rohwedder
 December 24th: Fred Mulch
 December 24th: Jordon Williams
 December 27th: Todd Gullickson
 December 28th: Jerry Coussens
 December 31st: Rich Horst

ADOPT A FAMILY UPDATE

When we passed the bucket at our last meeting we raised \$350+ for a family of three for the Family Resources "Adopt A Family" program. Deanna will be sending out an email to ask for help in shopping for the family.

The Mom is 39 with 2 kids, 8 and 16. Mom is interested in having cleaning supplies as one of the gifts. I say this because no one should have to ask for cleaning supplies as a gift. I'm beyond proud of this club for how we come together to support our community. I cannot wait to shop for this family!

HELP INTERACT CLUB WITH COATS

The North Scott Junior High School Interact Club is asking for help from North Scott Rotarians in helping to keep the community's two free coat racks full to help those in need with a warm winter coat.

As it has for the past five years, the Interact Club is collecting gently worn coats for children through adults that will be placed on coat racks in Eldridge and Park View for people to take at no cost. Last year, some 200-300 coats were given away.

Rotarians who wish to donate coats can **bring coats to the Friday meetings on Dec. 5th, 12th and 19th**, and Interact advisor Jan Touney will get them to the coat racks. Interact student are collecting coats at the junior high.

The coat project is just one of several service projects the Interact club has undertaken this year. During the first quarter, students prepared 50 care bags for homeless residents and presented them at one of the club meeting to Megan Brown-Saldana, chief development officer at Humility Homes & Services.

Ms. Brown-Saldana talked to the students about the difficulties the homeless face, and how Humility Homes & Services works to get people into permanent housing. From July 1 to September 30 of this year, HHS served almost 800 people; 178 of them were children 17 and under.

Each year, the club also raises funds to purchase hygiene items for the children at Imbabazi Centre for Women & Children in Uganda.

Help the Interact Club:

Bring Coats to donate to our December meetings please!

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

The Interact Club has been BUSY! Below are some updates on projects they've completed.



First-quarter Interact students present Megan Brown-Saldana of Humility Homes & Services with care bags to distribute to the agency's homeless clients.



Interact students assemble care bags with hygiene items, candy and a pair of socks.



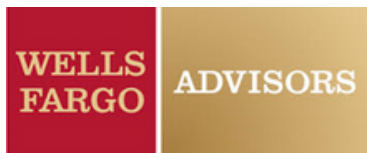
Interact is again teaming with North Scott Rotary to collect gently worn coats to hang on free racks in Eldridge and Park View for anyone who needs a coat.

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