



# North Scottarian

North Scott Rotary - Eldridge and Davenport, IA  
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## UPCOMING PROGRAM

### Kelly Winqvist, Founder of KW Fiduciaries



Kelly Winqvist, founder of KW Fiduciaries, has over 25 years of experience as a business leader, with a background spanning Fortune 100 companies, private investment firms, small businesses, and nonprofits. She combines strong expertise in finance, operations, and strategy with a compassionate, trust-centered approach to clients. Kelly is known for bringing clarity, organization, and integrity to complex situations.

She has degrees from the Milwaukee School of Engineering, Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business, and Harvard's Kennedy School. Outside of her professional work, Kelly enjoys volunteering as a financial coach to families working to get out of debt and grow in generosity, as well as spending time with her family, listening to audiobooks, and hiking.

We're excited to welcome Kelly Winqvist, founder of KW Fiduciaries, for an insightful presentation on the role of a Private Professional Fiduciary. Kelly will break down how fiduciaries serve as trusted, neutral surrogate decision-makers helping individuals and families manage finances, carry out estate plans, and navigate critical life moments with clarity and care.

Attendees will gain a better understanding of when and why someone might need a fiduciary, and how this support can reduce stress, prevent conflict, and protect loved ones.

Kelly will also briefly share how her fractional CFO (chief financial officer) services provide strategic financial guidance for small business owners and nonprofit leaders. This is a valuable opportunity to learn about a service many people don't realize they need – until they do.

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



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## LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM



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Aaron Dunlop was our speaker. Aaron is the Operations Manager, Mississippi River Project, Rock Island District with the Corp of Engineers. The Mississippi Valley Division expands from the Canada border to the Gulf of Mexico along the Mississippi River. The Rock Island District covers five states and the area where all water flows from and into the Mississippi.

The Mississippi is a great value to the Nation. There is \$1.5 Billion in annual transportation and more than 10 million annual recreational visits. The Mississippi often competes with the National Park Service for the number of recreational areas provided.

The Mississippi has a series of locks and dams to provide a channel depth of 9 feet at low water with widths suitable for long-haul common-carrier service. The dams serve to allow river traffic; they were not built to provide flood protection. Currently there are 29 locks and dams on the upper section from Minneapolis to St. Louis. The river is free flowing from St. Louis to New Orleans. The reason for more locks in the Upper Mississippi region is due to the amount of silt in that area.

Regular operation and maintenance of the Mississippi lock system for FY26 is \$72.2 million. This does not include the funds needed for major upgrades and replacements. Lock and Dam 15, located between Rock Island and Davenport, is the largest roller dam in the world. It is also unique because it only has roller gates. It was built this way so that it can move as much water as possible. The locks along the Mississippi have 600 feet chambers, however, most barges are double that in length. Barges therefore must separate and go through the locks in two passes, with an average of two and a half hours for one barge to lock through. The Corp of Engineers is looking to expand several locks to 1200 feet in length, which will then allow a barge to lock through with no separation and in less than thirty minutes.

The lock and dam system was designed for each to last 50 years, all are now at least 100 years old. In the 1980's all were updated at a cost of 3-4 billion. The barge companies that utilize the river pay a fuel tax that is cost-shared with the federal government to help maintain the system.

It was an informative and interesting presentation. Aaron will work with Riley Grunwald to coordinate a time that the club can visit the Lock and Dam 15 Mississippi River Visitor Center on the Rock Island Arsenal.

*Recap by Mindy Leahy*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Wed, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>:** 1:00pm Humility Homes and Services - packages for veterans

**Fri, May 1<sup>st</sup>:** Kelly Winquist with KW Fiduciaries arranged by Marcia Brandt

**Fri, May 1<sup>st</sup> and Sat May 2<sup>nd</sup>:** District 6000 Conference

**Wed, May 6<sup>th</sup>:** 1:00pm Community Grant Committee Meeting at Empowering Abilities Hickory Grove Office

**Fri, May 8<sup>th</sup>:** 10:30am Board Meeting

**Fri, May 8<sup>th</sup>:** Rotary Foundation Day, program will be future District 6000 Governor Gretchen Nollman

**Fri, May 15<sup>th</sup>:** Youth Day

**Fri, May 22<sup>nd</sup>:** No meeting - Memorial Day

**Fri, May 29<sup>th</sup>:** 7:20am Friendly Friday at NS Junior High School

**Fri, May 29<sup>th</sup>:** 10:30am Program Committee Meeting

**Fri, May 29<sup>th</sup>:** Bill Collins - Years in Downtown Davenport arranged by Scott Case

**Fri, Jun 5<sup>th</sup>:** Sara Cross with First Tee arranged by Stephanie Eckhardt

**Fri, Jun 12<sup>th</sup>:** 10:30am Board Meeting

**Fri, Jun 12<sup>th</sup>:** Lara Ingram with Bethany Homes arranged by Deanna Jensen-Valliere

**Fri, Jun 19<sup>th</sup>:** University of Northern Iowa - 150 Anniversary arranged by Chris Cournoyer

**Thurs, Jun 25<sup>th</sup>:** President Installation Party

**Fri, Jun 26<sup>th</sup>:** No meeting

**Sat, Jul 11<sup>th</sup>:** Moonlight Chase waterstop at Linda Tubb's house

**Thurs, Jul 30<sup>th</sup>:** Corn Boil

**Fri, Jul 31<sup>st</sup>:** No meeting

**Fri, Aug 21<sup>st</sup>:** Anna Holland, Interim Curator of IA Womens's Archives with University of Iowa Libraries

**Fri, Sep 11<sup>th</sup>:** Golf outing

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

Attendance on April 24th was 51 members and 3 guests. Guests were Aric Kreeger, Marguerite Holzworth, pianist and Aaron Dunlap, speaker. Attending via Zoom were **Merle Anderson** and **Duncan Cameron**.

**Nathan Kessler** was sarge and collected \$56 in fines. Maria **Bribriesco** was fined for being late, **Matt Russ** for not knowing where his badge is, **Ryan Hicks** for having his badge but not wearing it. **Drew Wilson** for not just advertising his upcoming show, but a performance. **Holzworth's** for the Grand Marshall honor. Those who are snowbirds and have returned, **Roger Amhof** and **Lori Rochau**. **Ryan Johnson** for being the Sargent-at-Arms but never being the Sarge. **Riley and Ardita Grunwald** for the recent Lost Oasis publicity. The oldest and youngest at each table.

**John Maxwell** was the song leader. He commented that he was recently coached by **Paul Holzworth**. John performed well and received rousing applause.

**Dick Cole** gave the inspiration, asking us all if we lived the four-way test, specifically asking if we read the Rotary Newsletter cover to cover. He informed us of the great article that had membership information and world maps. A couple of bits of information was that thirty clubs have more than 50% women, with one club that is 100% women. He encouraged all to read your magazine and fill yourself with all kinds of resourceful Rotary club information.

**Theresa White** thanked all who participated in the Friendly Friday at the Jr. High. In addition to Rotary, the North Scott baseball moms helped greet. Red and silver Mardi-Gras beads were passed out.

**Jan Touney** encouraged everyone to recommend youth for the upcoming summer Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) experience. Deadline is this coming Thursday, April 30th . We have one student who is signed up, would like to send a second.

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## CLUB SERVICE

### GREETERS:

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Jill Grunwald and Marty O'Boyle  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Stephanie Eckhardt and Ken Rohwedder  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Diane Papke-Cole and Jan Touney  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: No meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: Roger Amhof and Dick Cole

### SONG LEADERS:

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Jeff Ashcraft  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Kelly Meyer  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Jody Johnston-Mohr  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: No meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: Paul Holzworth

### PIANO:

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Bluetooth speaker  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Tewanta Lopez  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Ron May  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: No meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: Marguerite Holzworth

### INSPIRATION:

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Tony Knobbe  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Drew Wilson  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Theresa White  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: No meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: TBD

### SERGEANT AT ARMS:

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Sean Eckhardt  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Patrick Olsen  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Ross Paustian  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: No meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: John Maxwell

### NEWSLETTER:

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Bill Hoover  
May 8<sup>th</sup>: Sam Culver  
May 15<sup>th</sup>: Drew Wilson  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>: No meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>: Becky Bray

### MAY BIRTHDAYS:

5<sup>th</sup> - Patrick Olsen  
9<sup>th</sup> - Cody Allen  
21<sup>st</sup> - Theresa White and Brian Ritter  
28<sup>th</sup> - Glenn Eakes  
29<sup>th</sup> - Danielle Hines

**May 15<sup>th</sup> is Youth Day! At the May 15<sup>th</sup> Rotary meeting, we will be honoring this years scholarship winners and RYLA attendees. We also welcome any other graduates or youth to attend. Please let Deb Peterson know if you will have a guest by Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> so she can make lunch reservations.**

**Kim Wilkins** updated us on the Project Renewal building at the 500 block of Warren and the landscaping help that the Environmental Committee helped with, specifically laying sod. There will be more opportunities to be announced.

**Deanna Jensen-Valliere** reminded us that the Community Needs Grant application is still open and to share with others.

**Rich Golinghorst** provided a **Jack Schinkel** update. Jack had a stroke several weeks ago. By the distribution of this newsletter, he should be settled into the Kahl Home.

**Deanna Jensen-Valliere** asked us to keep former member Joshua McKinney in our prayers. Josh was having open heart surgery that day. A Facebook update on Monday indicated that he is progressing well, asking for prayers for a quick and full recovery.

**Deanna** encouraged purchases of plants from Big Brothers Big Sisters. The retail sale date is May 8 and 9 at the Tower Trust building.

**Deanna** shared she has transitioned careers and is now working for the North Scott Chamber of Commerce. One of her first responsibilities was to find and invite Grand Marshall's for the Eldridge Days on July 11. Our very own **Paul and Marguerite Holzworth** will be honored.

**Stephanie Eckhardt** shared that her daughter Addison is doing well this golf season. Had a personal best and took first place at a meet at West. The team is also doing well.

*recap by Mindy Leahy*



Paul Harris Fellowships will be handed out at the May 8<sup>th</sup> Rotary Meeting. The following Rotarians will be recognized during the meeting:

Paul Harris plus one -

Jerry Coussens  
Dale Grunwald  
Jill Grunwald  
Nathan Kessler  
Jennifer Kress  
Kelly Meyer

Paul Harris plus two -  
Deanna Jensen-Valliere

Terrye Kishuie  
Ross Paustian

Paul Harris plus four -

Steve Fahrenkrog  
John Maxwell

Paul Harris plus five -

Mindy Leahy  
Deb Peterson



Friendly Friday was another success on April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Junior High! Several Rotarians attended along with some of the local baseball moms. In attendance were: Tracy Lindaman, Carrie Keppy, Mike Zimmer, Jill Grunwald, Theresa White and Gracie, Deb Peterson, Scott Garvin, Katie White and Neva, Logan and Levi Amhof.



## The 4-Way Test

*of things we do and say:*

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## Rotary Code of Conduct

As a Rotarian, I will: Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behavior and activities.

Use my vocational experience and talents to serve Rotary.

Conduct all my personal, business and professional affairs ethically, encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example for others.

Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings.

Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society.

Offer my vocational talent to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community.

Honor the trust that Rotary and fellow Rotarians provide and not do anything that will bring disfavor or reflect adversely on Rotary or fellow Rotarians.

Not seek from a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

# North Scott Rotary Prospecting Checklist

## 1. Character & Values

- Ethical and trustworthy
- Respectful, positive attitude
- Team-oriented,

## 2. Community & Service Mindset

- Cares about improving the community
- Has a heart for service
- Shows interest in helping others

## 3. Professional & Leadership Strength

- Brings useful skills or expertise
- Demonstrates leadership or potential
- Reliable with commitments

## 4. Social Fit

- Interacts well with others
- Contributes to a positive club culture
- Comfortable in diverse groups

## 5. Participation Ability

- Can attend meetings consistently
- Can join service projects
- Can engage in occasional events

## 6. Financial Readiness

- Can manage dues
- Comfortable with occasional costs
- Happy to pay their Sergeant-at-Arms fines

## 7. Ambassador Potential

- Represents Rotary well
- Likely to speak positively about the club
- Could help attract future members

### Prospect Assessment

- **14–18 checks** → Strong Rotarian prospect
- **9–13 checks** → Good candidate with support
- **0–8 checks** → Keep relationship warm, not ready yet