



North Scottarian

North Scott Rotary - Eldridge and Davenport, IA
June 17th, 2026 Edition

UPCOMING PROGRAM

Randy Pilkington - University of Northern IA



The University of Northern Iowa is preparing to mark a major milestone – its sesquicentennial celebration, kicking off this fall and culminating during Homecoming 2026. The UNI Sesquicentennial Celebration will honor the rich 150-year history of the institution while looking to the future and recognizing the vision for even greater things to come.

At the helm of planning efforts are Randy Pilkington and Cary Darrah, co-chairs of the UNI Sesquicentennial Celebration. Both have deep ties to university. Pilkington, a UNI alum, has worked at the university for nearly 40 years, currently serving as the executive director for Business and Community Services, while Darrah, a Cedar Falls native and community leader, has family and professional connections to UNI through her previous roles with Grow Cedar Valley and Community Main Street.

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LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM



Shown with President Deanna Jensen-Valliere and incoming President Tony Knobbe are representatives from the 15 Community Needs Grant recipients: The Third Place QC, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Davenport Community Schools, Family Resources, Soles for Children, Friends of Donahue, Humane Society of QC, Hand-in-Hand, New Kingdom Trail Riders, QC Symphony, Neil Armstrong Elementary, Cancer Support Community, Gigi's Playhouse, St. Ann's Catholic Church and Argrow's House. Congratulations to the recipients!

The 2026 Community Needs Grant Cycle was a successful one!

\$55,000 Budget

60+ Grant applications

More than \$300,000 in funding requests

15 Grants awarded!

Committee Members:

Katie White, Charlie Jones, Sean Eckhardt
Tyler Bindrum, Nathan Kessler, Sara Somsky
Patrick Olsen, Mindy Leahy, Chris Connelly
Maria Bribriesco, Tracy Lindaman, Marty O'Boyle
Kay Pence, Jeff Ashcraft, Mike Zimmer
Jill Grunwald, Jan Touney

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fri, Jun 19th: University of Northern Iowa - 150th Anniversary arranged by Chris Cournoyer

Thurs, Jun 25th: President Installation Party for incoming president Tony Knobbe at Ray's Pub, 101 North Main, Donahue. Adult guests \$20. Cash bar. Need reservations by June 19 meeting.

Fri, Jun 26th: No meeting

Fri, Jul 3rd: No meeting

Fri, Jul 10th: 10:30am Board Meeting

Fri, Jul 10th: Chris Cournoyer with Celebrate Our Story: Iowa and America 250 Years

Sat, Jul 11th: Eldridge Days parade and Moonlight Chase water stop at Linda Tubb's house

Fri, Jul 17th: Fisher Boys with QC Authority - Fine Wines and Fun arranged by Scott Case

Fri, Jul 24th: Dr. David Cook, President of Iowa State University arranged by Chris Cournoyer

Thurs, Jul 30th: Corn Boil

Fri, Jul 31st: No meeting

Fri, Aug 14th: Paul Kalainoff and RYLA students - Recap of experiences

Fri, Aug 21st: Anna Holland, Interim Curator of IA Womens' Archives with University of Iowa Libraries

Fri, Sep 11th: Golf outing at Glynn's Creek

NS Rotary will be sending 3 students to RYLA

Stephanie Eckhardt announced her daughter Addison took 9th place at Co-ed golf state tournament and she got to coach. Her one and only coaching experience was at state.

Chris Cournoyer thanked everyone who was on the ballot and encouraged everyone to vote.

Ardita Grunwald announced her daughter Sofia won 1st place at state horse judging for FFA.

Terrye Kishiue announced her granddaughter graduated with many accolades.

Shout out to **Dr. Anita Wubbena** for joining us today!

MEETING RECAP

Attendance on June 12 was 59 members and at least 31 guests. Guests were Logan & Levi Amhof, guests of **Mitch Amhof**, Neva White, guest of **Katie White**, Sofia & Sasha Grunwald, guests of **Ardita Grunwald**, Past president of Clinton Carrie and Heather, both guests or **Deanna JV**, Aric Kreeger, Marty Larson, guest of **Maria Bribriesco** and all the grant recipient representatives. Attending via zoom were **Jody Johnston-Mohr and Duncan Cameron**.

Nathan Kessler was the sarge and collected a whopping \$97 in fines! Including fines to **Deanna JV** for not doing the welcome song, **Steve Powell** for his bright orange "deer hunting" shirt, all those wearing hats at the meeting, anyone who has puked on the golf course, **Drew Wilson** for facilitating an "awww" from the crowd, **Jill Grunwald's** comment about an open bar went to **Tony Knobbe**, **Kim Wilkins** for early wishful thinking that the White Sox will remain in first place, anyone who brought their kids to the meeting, not drinking milk in the last 24 hours, and...if they hadn't paid a dollar after all that, then That'll be \$1.

John Maxwell gave the inspiration. He started with a quote from Melinda Gates about change "When you see a problem, become part of the solution" and ended with a quick prayer about being thankful for Rotary and our community.

Jen Kress spoke about Birdies for Charities and let us know Rotary is signed up!

Drew Wilson - please sign up to be a volunteer on Hole 16 at the John Deere Classic.

Jill Grunwald reminded us **Tony's** installation party will be at Ray's Pub in Donahue on June 25th. and will be catered by Matthieson's with a CASH bar. Sign-ups needed by June 19th!

Paul Holzworth is proud to be wearing one of Bill Tubb's tshirts.

Drew Wilson is encouragin Tony to keep membership growing so his badge can remain in the "other" box.

CLUB SERVICE

INSPIRATION:

Jun 19th: Jill Grunwald

GREETERS:

Jun 19th: Mike Zimmer & Patrick Olsen

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Jun 19th: Brad Burt

SONG LEADERS:

Jun 19th: Jeff Ashcraft

PIANO:

Jun 19th: Marguerite Holzworth

NEWSLETTER:

Jun 19th: Drew Wilson

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Aric Kreeger has been proposed for membership by Jennifer Kress. He is a financial advisor with RBC Wealth Management located in Bettendorf, Iowa. He recently moved to the QC from the St. Louis area. Aric has already joined the Bettendorf Business Network and the QC Chamber of Commerce. He is active in the Riverdale Heights PTA and coaches his daughter's soccer team. Aric has been approved by the membership committee and the board of directors. Seven days for comment.

Sign-ups for the President Installation party for Tony Knobbe

Mitch, Natalie, Logan and Levi Amhof
Merle and Mary Lou Anderson
Tyler and Sammy Bindrum
Maria and Bill Bribriesco
Brad Burt
Dick and Shirley Cole
Sean and Stephanie Eckhardt
Rich and Mary Golinghorst
Dale and Jill Grunwald
Rily and Ardita Grunwald
Jeff and Mindy Helms
Paul and Marguerite Holzworth
Deanna Jensen-Valliere
Tony Knobbe
Aric Kreeger

Jennifer and Jeff Kress
Mindy and Ed Leahy
John and Joan Maxwell
Marty O'Boyle
Patrick, Megan, Addison and Grace Olsen
Kay and Mike Pence
Deb Peterson
Steve and Bonnie Powell
Sara Somsy
Jan and Tom Touney
Katie, Randy, Owen and Neva White
Theresa and Bob White
Jordon and Abby Williams
Mike and Tammy Zimmer



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?

If you have something you'd like included in the newsletter please email **Danielle Hines**: DanielleRaeHines@gmail.com **AND Katie White**: krdown4@gmail.com

Rotarians, family and friends at the Long Grove Strawberry Festival Parade



Rotarians volunteering at the District Grant backpack project and the Humility Homes and Services Block Party set up and tear down



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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

OUR PAST PRESIDENTS

Daniel A. Whalen (*).....1973-74	Jeffrey Helms2016-17
C. John Pheiffer (*)1974-75	Dennis W. Peterson (*)2017-18
Kenneth J. Mundt (*)1975-76	Jeffrey Ashcraft2018-19
Roger D. Burt1976-77	Jeremy Kaiser2019-20
G. Eugene Kimble (*)1977-78	Bradley Burt, D.C.2020-21
David A. Stephens (*)1978-79	Patrick Olsen2021-22
Richard A. Froeschle (*)1979-80	Josie Cochuyt2022-23
James E. Campbell1980-81	Tracy Lindaman2023-24
Rev. Ronald Jespersen (*)1981-82	Greg Schaapveld2024-25
Walter Fahrenkrog (*)1982-83	Deanna Jensen-Valliere.....current
Roy B. Keppy (*)1983-84	
Thomas Robinson1984-85	(*) Deceased
H. Ronald Frogley, D.C. (*)1985-86	
Thomas Otting1986-87	
Gene Schneckloth (*)1987-88	
J.B. Straley (*)1988-89	
Robert H. Lage (*)1989-90	
Richard J. Blanche1990-91	
Jack D. Darland (*)1991-92	
Jerry L. Vollbeer (*)1992-93	
Robert B. White1993-94	
Wayne W. Jugenheimer1994-95	
William F. Tubbs (*)1995-96	
Pascal V. DeLuca1996-97	
Robert K. Bainter1997-98	
John C. Barker, M.D. (*)1998-99	
Merle L. Anderson1999-00	
Carl G. Stigdon2000-01	
James J. Smith2001-02	
R. Scott Case2002-03	
Robert A. Fox2003-04	
James J. Rastrelli2004-05	
Thomas A. Yates2005-06	
Anita L. Wubbena, D.C.2006-07	
Scott C. Kurtz2007-08	
Gary Lynch (*)2008-09	
Charles I. Briegel (*)2009-10	
Charlie Jones2010-11	
Becky Bray2011-12	
John D. Maxwell2012-13	
Steven G. Suiter2013-14	
Steven Fahrenkrog2014-15	
Glen L. Keppy (*).....2015-16	