



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines / Fridays @ Noon - UGCC 4000-86th St. Urbandale

Prez Sez

Leray Glendenning



A student was heading home for the holidays. When she got to the airline counter, she presented her ticket with passage to New York and as she gave the agent her luggage she asked, "I'd like you to send my green suitcase to Hawaii, and my red suitcase to London."

The confused agent said, "I'm sorry, we can't do that." "Really? I am so relieved to hear you say that because, that's exactly what you did to my luggage last year!"

We have entered a brand New Year! Each New Year, I have made it a habit to spend some time taking inventory and reviewing all the relationships, associations, networks and investments of time, talent and treasure that have found a place in my life and schedule. Seldom do I find any of these to be anything less than good and positive. However, over time it can begin to feel that life has become compartmentalized into boxes, where the contents of one box have little to do with the contents of the other boxes. These compartments can seem to be as distant from each other as Hawaii and London. The tendency is then to either take on more

without having any integrative value, or to begin quitting things just to relieve the pressure of over-commitment.

Some years ago, as my career was beginning to develop, the family was beginning grow, along with my responsibilities, at the suggestion of a friend, I decided to take three days and seek a Life Mission Statement that would become the integrative purpose to connect all the boxes of life. I emerged from that three-day adventure with a written mission statement that has guided and integrated all of my life choices and associations. It influenced my choice to become involved in Rotary, so that Rotary has become more than just another compartment in my life or another hat that I wear. It connects with the thread and theme of my personal life's mission statement.

If you have not already done so, I would encourage all of us to consider developing an integrative value and mission statement that guides your life. I believe one is never too old to begin this. Perhaps a good question to start the process in this New Year is, "What would make me more generous in all the areas of my life in next twelve months?" You may find that in this exercise you and your entire "luggage" will arrive at the same destination and you will be equipped for every kind of good work! May it be so!

Scribbles...

Iowa Wolves

This week's program was by our own Ed Arnold, about the Iowa Wolves and our combined fundraiser to help eradicate POLIO.

This is the 10th anniversary of our partnership with the Iowa Wolves. The original goal was to get other clubs working together toward the common goal of raising money for Polio eradication. When the team was the Iowa Energy, we were able to get discounted tickets to sell, with a rebate check of \$8 per ticket sold. Even though ticket prices have increased over the past 10 years, the team has still allowed us to sell the tickets for \$16 (rather than \$30) and we still get \$8 back. This year we hope to get more non-Rotarian money.

The game is Saturday, February 3. It will be the Iowa Wolves against the Oklahoma Blue. Our team is in 2nd place in the division (as of Ed's program), although their best player just got called up. These guys are working hard to get a chance to play in the NBA, so it should be a fun and hard-played game. That night the half-time performance will be Acrobatic Dogs, and it is a bring-your-own-dog night as well. Ed has plenty of tickets left, so get out there and do your best to SELL, SELL, SELL!

The Polio update is 20 for 2017: eight from Pakistan and 12 from Afghanistan. Syria has not upgraded to the new vaccine formula (which was brought out in April), so they are up to 74 new cases.

Wendi Wilson, Scribe

January 5, 2018

This Week's Program:

Courage League Sports

Arranged By:

Beth Goedken

Greeter:

Randy Taber

Invocation:

Laura Holmes

Sergeant:

Kasey Vogel

Scribe:

Mark McAndrews

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Beth Goedken, Programs

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Future Programs

1/12: Julia Taylor
Rolling Green
Elementary

1/19: Steve Bass
Urbandale School

1/26: Melanie Shellenberger
Safe at Home

Other Locations

Monday

West Polk County, Toyota of Des Moines, (Noon)

Tuesday

Ankeny, Ankeny Golf & Country Club, (11:45)

Johnston, Hyperion Golf & CC, (7:00 am)

Dallas Center, Memorial Hall, (Noon)

Norwalk, Echo Valley Golf Course, (6:30 am)

West Des Moines, DM Golf & CC, (Noon)

Wednesday

East Polk County, Prairie Meadows, (7:00 am)

Adel, Patrick's Restaurant, 211 S 7th St, #C, (Noon)

The Greater Des Moines Club, check the District 6000 website for time and location

Thursday

Waukee, Des Moines Golf & Country Club, (6:45 am)

Des Moines, Wakonda Club, (Noon)

Winterset, Pizza Ranch, (Noon)

Friday

Des Moines, AM, Wakonda Club at 3915 Fleur Dr. (7:00 am)

Upcoming Events

Rotary Social

Thursday, January 25th (More details to come!)

CFUM Meals

Monday, February 26th

Northwest Rotary Board Meeting

January 23 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Urbandale Library Conference Room

Polio Plus Night at the Iowa Wolves

February 3 -Wells Fargo Arena

Items for the Nor'Wester should be submitted by end of the day each Monday. Please send to:

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This & That

In 2018 Don't Be Toast – Make a Toast . . .

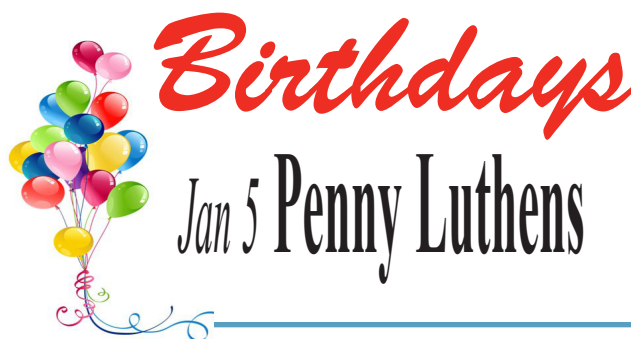
. . . To Rotary District 6000! This year the District 6000 Conference is being divided into five locations: Davenport, Coralville, Ottumwa, Carroll and West Des Moines. The West Des Moines Toast to Rotary will be held Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 5:30 PM – 9:00 PM at the West Des Moines Marriott. The cost is \$49, which includes social hour, meal, speakers, door prizes, entertainment, fun, fellowship and networking. Register using the form attached to the Nor'Wester or go to: <http://rotary6000.org/Event/a-toast-to-district-6000---west-des-moines> to obtain a registration form and all the information on the five locations. Plan to attend at least one and let's have a good representation of our Club!

Let's Get More Bikes!

Put The Power of Bicycles into the hands of students, healthcare workers and entrepreneurs!

Mobilize friends & co-workers to help empower a world where distance is no longer a barrier to independence & livelihood.

Donations of \$147 per bike should be sent to NWDM's Service Above Self Foundation to honor our good friend Chuck!!



Future Information



Beth Goedken - Program Chair

<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Invocation</u>	<u>Sergeant</u>	<u>Scribe</u>
Jan 12 - Julia Taylor	Doyle Sanders	LeAnn Auxier	Roger Nyberg	Laura Holmes
Jan 19 - Urbandale School	Julia Taylor	Bob Moore	Ed Arnold	LeAnn Auxier
Jan 26 - Safe At Home	Helen Turner	Kasey Vogel	Penny Luthens	Bob Moore
<p><i>Can't complete your assigned duty?</i> Please assist Leray by finding your substitute!</p> <p>Email that information to lglendenni@aol.com also please cc Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski - jmercerc-klimowski@emcnl.com.</p>				