



# Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

[www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines](http://www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines) / Fridays @ Noon - UGCC 4000-86th St. Urbandale

June 2, 2017

## This Week's Program:

T.J. Page  
Iowa Corn - E15 & E85

### Arranged By:

Chuck Corwin

### Greeter:

Rod Ruppel

### Invocation:

Roger Nyberg

### Sergeant:

Leray Glendenning

### Scribe:

Bill Grask

## 2016-17 Officers & Directors

Brenda A-M, President

Leray Glendenning, President Elect

Bill Corwin, Treasurer

Dianne D-Nelson, Secretary

Jim Arthur, Rotary Foundation

Wendi Wilson, Int'l Service

Ed Arnold, Membership

Mark McAndrews, Public Image

Penny Luthens, Service to Youth

Bill Grask, Past President

## Future Programs

**6/9:** Larry Jablonski  
Urbandale "Drive Your  
Bike" Camp

**6/16:** Kathy Forst  
Urbandale Centennial

**6/23:** Jayne Armstrong  
Small Business  
Administration

## Prez Sez

*Brenda Auxier-Mailey*



### Rotary Action Groups

What is a Rotarian Action Group (RAG)? It is a group of Rotarians, family members, program participants, and alumni who have an expertise in a particular field and are determined to deliver long-lasting results to some of our world's toughest problems. RAGs often act as volunteer consultants for Rotary Clubs and Districts to enhance a club's/district's service work. Although Rotarian Action Groups adopt Rotary International's standard bylaws and operate in accordance with Rotary policy, each group functions independently of Rotary International, establishing its own rules, dues, and administrative structure.

To learn more about one of the following Rotarian Action Groups go to <https://my.rotary.org/en/take-action/empower-leaders/join-rotarian-action-group>

Addiction Prevention	Hearing
AIDS & Family Health	Hepatitis
Alzheimer's and Dementia	Hunger and Malnutrition
Blindness Prevention	Literacy
Blood Donation	Malaria
Clubfoot	Mental Health
Dentistry	Microfinance & Community Dev
Diabetes	Multiple Sclerosis
Disaster Assistance	Peace
Endangered Species	Polio Survival
Environmental Sustainability	Population & Dev
Food Plant Solutions	Preconception Care
Health Education and Wellness	Slavery
	Water and Sanitation

## Scribbles...

*Melissa Burdick*  
*The Brenton Arboretum*

*"Coming Soon"*



*There's A New  
Club in Town!*

We'd like to give a warm welcome to a new Rotary Club here in Iowa!

### The Norwalk Rotary Club

They will be meeting at 6:30 a.m., Tuesdays, at the Echo Valley Golf Course's Clubhouse, in Norwalk.

So if you are in need of a make-up swing by and join them!!

## 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)

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, Okoboji Bar & Grill on 86th in Johnston on the 1st & 2nd Wed. (6:00 pm)

### 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

### **Water - More than what we drink!**

June 1 through June 9 - A look at water quality and sustainability – its impact on our community, economy and world

### **Installation Dinner**

Thursday, June 29 - Christopher's Social at 6:00 - Dinner at 6:30

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

**Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski**

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## Did You Know?

### **Rotarian Action Groups Growing in Popularity and Impact**

Since Rotarian Action Groups (RAGs) were first recognized by the Rotary International Board of Directors in 2005, their popularity and impact have grown around the world. In 2015-16, the 26 RAGs' combined membership was 37,606. with members from more than 100 countries. Excluding the Rotarian Action Group for Population & Development, which reported the largest membership of any group at 20,000 members, the average size for each RAG is around 704 members.

In 2015-16, RAGs reported a combined income of \$637,363 from membership dues, grants, and other charitable contributions. With the average annual membership cost of \$26. In 2015-16, the 26 RAGs reported spending \$561,793 on international humanitarian service projects and other activities. At year end, RAGs reported combined net assets of \$443,042.

The Rotarian Action Groups 2016 Annual Report can be read at: <https://my.rotary.org/en/take-action/empower-leaders/join-rotarian-action-group>



## *Birthdays*

May 27 Doyle Sanders

May 31 Chuck Corwin

June 1 Mark McAndrews

## Future Information



**Chuck Corwin - Program Chair & Cindy Ray - Meeting Coordinator Chair**

### Program

### Greeter

### Invocation

### Sergeant

### Scribe

June 9 - Drive Your Bike Camp

Helen Turner

Bill Corwin

Mark McAndrews

Brad Helgemo

June 16 - Urbandale Centennial

Penny Luthens

Dianne Downing-Nelson

TBA

Laura Holms

June 23 - Small Bus Admin.

Mark McAndrews

Wyatt Earp

Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski

Wendi Wilson

*Can't complete your assigned duty?* Please assist Brenda by finding your substitute!

Email that information to [bjamemail@gmail.com](mailto:bjamemail@gmail.com) also please cc Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski - [jmercerc-klimowski@emcnl.com](mailto:jmercerc-klimowski@emcnl.com).



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## Rotary Out & About



### Special Olympics Root Beer Float Saturday

Rotary of Northwest Des Moines and Urbandale Interact raised \$425.00 for the Special Olympics serving up root beer floats.



### THANKS

to everyone who volunteered to  
scoop on their Saturday!! And  
thanks to everyone who came out  
for a sweet treat!!



## Welcome New Member!

Give a warm welcome to our new member

**LeAnn Auxier**

We are excited to have her join  
us here at NW Rotary Club!







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### Spring Club Social at the Iowa Cubs Game

Fun was had by all as we enjoyed an evening of tailgating and baseball with our Rotary Family!

