



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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Prez Sez

Leray Glendenning



Shaquille O'Neal was once asked if he had visited the Parthenon during his visit to Greece. He replied, "I can't really remember the names of the clubs that we went to."

I am sure that Shaq might like to take that one back if he had a chance. But it does speak to the importance of getting a quality education. And speaking of education, believe it or not, it's time for preparation for the new school year by making sure our students are ready for school. How? We will be joining with Urbandale Community Assistance Network (UCAN) at our Club meeting on Friday, July 28 at the Urbandale Golf and Country Club. Instead of a speaker that day, we will be "rolling up our sleeves" for the second year of packing up to 95 backpacks, which will be distributed to students at the Urbandale Back-to-School Clinic (2:00 - 6:00 PM) on August 3, 2017 at Urbandale Middle School. Rotarians are also invited to assist in handing out backpacks on that day.

This is being made possible by an Endow Urbandale Grant in the amount of \$2,700 that our Club received, to be applied toward the purchase of backpacks and school supplies for elementary, middle, and high school students in Urbandale, who are needing financial assistance. We are grateful to Brenda Auxier-Mailey and Penny Luthens for their hard work in getting all this set up! Let's have a great turn-out next Friday and get all 95 packs packed! We want our kids to know the difference between the Parthenon and a club, and we want them to learn about our Rotary Club!

Also, don't forget that about the Chuck Corwin Bike Memorial with World Bicycle Relief. In July only, World Bicycle Relief will match dollar-for-dollar our contributions to purchase one of the Buffalo bikes. The cost of each bicycle is \$147. You may also choose to give a partial amount toward the purchase of a bicycle. Checks may be made payable to Service Above Self Foundation, and submitted to our Executive Treasurer, Bill Corwin.

July 21, 2017

This Week's Program:

Jim Swamstrom
CFUM

Arranged By:

Leray Glendenning

Greeter:

Kasey Vogel

Invocation:

Joe Kobes

Sergeant:

Bill Grask

Scribe:

Ed Arnold

2017-18 Officers & Directors

Leray Glendenning, President

Penny Luthens, President Elect

Bill Corwin, Treasurer

Dianne D-Nelson, Secretary

Jim Arthur, Rotary Foundation

Wendi Wilson, Int' Service

Ed Arnold, Membership

Mark McAndrews, Public Image

Penny Luthens, Service to Youth

Brenda A-M, Past President

Future Programs

7/28: UCANN
Backpacks

8/4: Mark McAndrews
RYLA Camp Student

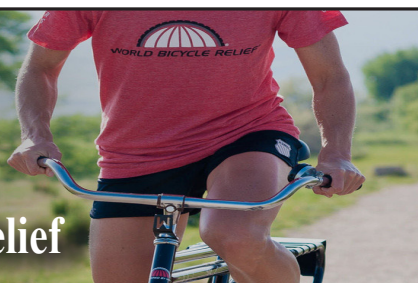
8/11: TBA

Got Bike?

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



World Bicycle Relief



Join other Rotary Members and
donate \$147 to purchase a
Buffalo Bicycle to honor our
good friend Chuck!

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

UCANN Back Pack Meeting

Friday, July 28 Board meeting

We will be packing backpacks for UCANN.

CFUM

Monday, August 28

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

**Jenifer Mercer-
Klimowski**

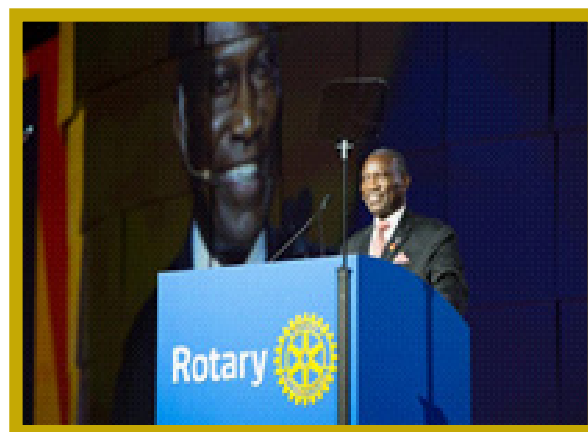
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Rotary "Hot Topics"

News from Rotary International

Rotary International President Ian Riseley announced with sadness the unexpected death of President-elect Sam F. Otori on July 13 due to complications from surgery. Sam was a member of the Rotary Club Kampala, Uganda, for 38 years. He had recently spoken to the Rotary International Convention in accepting his nomination as President-Elect with these words: "Rotary has become a way of life for me – with the intrinsic value and core belief in mutual responsibility and concern for one another as a cornerstone. I feel immense satisfaction knowing that through Rotary, I've helped someone live better." Sam would have become Rotary's 108th president in 2018. President Ian Riseley said, "In this difficult time, I ask you to keep his wife, Norah, the Otori family and Sam's millions of friends around the world in your thoughts." A great loss to Rotary and to the country of Uganda!



Future Information



TBA - Program Chair & Cindy Ray - Meeting Coordinator Chair

Program

Greeter

Invocation

Sergeant

Scribe

July 28 - UCANN Backpacks

Roger Nyberg

Jim Arthur

Jim Arthur

Cody Johnson

Aug 4 - RYLA Camp Student

Ed Arnold

Roger Nyberg

Joe Kobes

Dianne D-Nelson

Aug 11 - TBA

Penny Luthens

Dave Piersel

Randy Taber

Jenifer M-K

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

Email that information to lglandenni@aol.com also please cc Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski - jmercerc-klimowski@emcni.com.



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Scribbles...

Jeff Hill The Jeff Hill Camp

Last Friday, we had two very special guest presentations.

First, we heard from Jeff Hill, regarding his summer basketball camp. The Jeff Hill Camp has been in operation for 36 years. This summer, they served 200 kids here in Des Moines. As apart of the camp, each kid attending gets a t-shirt, a back pack, a trophy and a basketball. Our Club has been involved for 17 years, and for the last 10, we have funded the basketballs given to the kids.

Graduates of the camps – which are held in other cities, as well as in Des Moines – have included future NBA stars Matt Ballard, A.C. Earl, and Abdel Nader, who is currently playing with the Golden State Warriors. Jeff brought along some of his coaches and associates, who joined us for lunch.

In addition to sports skills, the Camps stress education. The presenter at the awards program, this year, was Dioanna Langford, a member of the Des Moines School Board.

Jeff is always happy to receive contributions to his program. These can be sent to his attention, at the Grubb YMCA, 1611 -11th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, 50314.



Back row: Ed Horton, Eddie Williams, Lewis Lloyd
Front row: Eddie Mack, Harry Flipping, Jeff Hill

Chief Jerry Holt

Urbandale Fire Department

Our second, and Headline Speaker, was Jerry Holt, Chief of the Urbandale Fire Department.



Chief Holt came to Urbandale in February of 1998, and was the first full-time professional Chief of the Department. He came to Urbandale from southern Alabama, and originally expected only to be here about five years, but fell in love with the area and stayed. He still isn't used to how cold it gets in the winter.

From an all-volunteer operation when he arrived, the Urbandale Fire Department has grown to be a professional force of 34 full-time and 11 part-time members, working out of two stations, with 12 members on duty at a time. The goal is to be able to reach an emergency within 8 minutes of the call – important for both public safety and insurance rates! With the growth of the City of Urbandale to the northwest, the existing stations are simply too far away to meet this standard, so they have proposed construction of a third station. A bond issue for the funding is scheduled for the election, this November. In 2016, the Department answered 3520 calls, of which most – 2496 – were for paramedic services. A medical emergency call gets both an ambulance and a fire truck, since so much equipment is needed to answer the call: basically, they have an Emergency Room on wheels. All members of the Department are cross-trained as both firefighters and EMTs, so they can provide whatever service is needed on an emergency call.

Chief Holt looks at the Fire Department as a customer service agency, and is intent on providing the best service possible. He shared stories of answering potential heart attack calls, where they had to wait for a spouse to get to the house and encourage the person in trouble to go to the hospital/doctor. In one case, they finished chopping up a fallen tree in the husband's yard; in the other, they finished packing up Christmas cookies for the wife's holiday deliveries. Public servants, indeed!

Scribe, Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski