



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines / Fridays @ 11:45 - Cozy Cafe 8535 Birchwood Ct.

July 31, 2026

This Week's Program:

Jeanne McMillan

Daughters of the American Revolution

Greeter:

Jack Bell

Invocation:

Julia Taylor

Sergeant:

Leray Glendenning

Scribe:

Dan Boes

Future Programs

8/7: Shelby Chavez-Chen
Clive Community
Services

8/14: TBA

Message from the President

Wendi Wilson

We had a fantastic meeting at St. Vincent de Paul this past Friday. It never ceases to astound me how many projects local organizations have underway to better our community.

As you know, our Rotary theme for this year is "Create Lasting Impact." This theme challenges us to move beyond short-term tasks and focus on sustainable solutions, personal transformation, and empowering local communities to carry our work forward. A primary way we can achieve this is by growing our membership to ensure the long-term legacy of the Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines.

This year, I encourage each of us to unleash change within ourselves while supporting others, ensuring that our contributions endure. I invite you to reflect on how you plan to impact those around you and those we reach out to as a club. How do we want to show up for ourselves, our coworkers, and our families? Remember, big changes are often the result of small, consistent actions.

I look forward to this year as we find unity, inspiration, and opportunities to make a lasting, positive impact in our community and our lives!



Rotary Recipes

This year we will
be sharing Recipes!!

If you have a
favorite recipe you
would like to share...
email it to
Wendi !

Roasted Corn on the Cob



Preheat the oven to 425°F Remove the corn's husk and silk.

Garlic Butter – In a small bowl, combine garlic, butter and Creole seasoning and set aside.

Place corn on the cobs in individual foil and brush with garlic butter.

Bake for 20-25 minutes, turning the tray half-way through roasting. Remove and let rest for a minute or two. Brush with more garlic butter mixture if desired.

**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**



2026-27 Officers & Directors

Wendi Wilson, President
Mark McAndrews, President Elect
Bill W. Corwin, Treasurer
Bill W. Corwin, Secretary
Ed Arnold, Board Member
Bill D. Corwin, Board Member
Tony Hunt, Board Member
Kelly Peterson, Board Member
Dianne Downing, Past President

Other Locations

Monday

West Polk County, Food Depot, 3000 SE Grimes Blvd, Suite 200 in Grimes (Noon)

Tuesday

Ankeny, Ankeny Golf & Country Club, (11:45)
Ankeny, Magee's Irish Pub, (6:00 pm)
Johnston, Hyperion Golf & CC, (7:00 am)
Dallas Center, Memorial Hall, (Noon)
Norwalk, City State Bank, (Noon)
West Des Moines, DM Golf & CC, (Noon)

Wednesday

East Polk County, Lutheran Church of the Cross (7:00 am)
Adel, Adel Public Library, 303 S. 10th St. (Noon)

Thursday

Waukee, Des Moines Golf & Country Club, (6:45 am)
Des Moines, Embassy Club - Ruan Bldg, (Noon)
Winterset, Pizza Ranch, (Noon)
Rotary Club of HOPE, First & Third Thursday of Month
(5:30 pm - Virtual Zoom Meeting)

Friday

Des Moines, AM, Wakonda Club, (7:00 am)

Upcoming Events

Chamber of Commerce BASH Event
Tuesday, August 11 @ Truth Family Chiropractic
Board Meeting August 20 at 11:45 am

Scribbles

St. Vincent DePaul

We visited St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) this week, and it was incredibly informative to learn about everything they do. Their mission is to help individuals facing economic, emotional, or spiritual difficulties achieve self-sufficiency through education, community connection, and unconditional support. As a non-profit charity, they rely almost exclusively on support from private individuals, businesses, and organizations.

SVDP is much more than "just another thrift store"; they operate several food pantries and four main support programs:

- ***Immersion:** Provides access to critical wrap-around services to help with reentry & systemic poverty reduction.
- ***Back 2 Work:** Develops job-seeker skills, like resume development, interview practice, and career searching.
- ***Jail Kiosk Program:** A similar initiative that reduces barriers to reentry and prevents future incarceration.
- ***The Sobering Center:** Safe 23-hour environment for adults to regain sobriety under medical supervision.

Additionally, they have an education center that provides classes on career readiness, GED completion, and financial literacy. SVDP has been a vital part of the Des Moines area since 1924, and I highly encourage everyone to check out their volunteer opportunities if any of these programs resonate with you.



Anniversary

Bill D. Corwin 9 Years

Ed Arnold 20 Years

Kelly Peterson 26 Years



Future Info

Bill D. Corwin - Program Chair

	Greeter	Invocation	Sergeant	Scribe
Aug 7	Dan Boes	Doyle Sanders	Tony Hunt	Jack Bell
Aug 14	Brad Helgemo	Jack Bell	Mark McAndrews	Jeff Bremer
Aug 21	Bill D. Corwin	Dan Boes	Tim Olejniczak	Brad Helgemo

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

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

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