

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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Prez Sez



Marilyn A. Fitzgerald, a member of the Rotary Club of Traverse City, Michigan, recalls being involved in a scholarship program in Indonesia that raised \$72,000 a year for 1,200 children to go to school. Year after year the funds were raised and Rotarians showed up with

the money and they planned to keep doing it. But unknowingly they were creating a great stress and worry on the mothers and fathers of the children and even the children themselves. As Marilyn described it: "Every year they worried if I was going to be there or not, and that wasn't a sustainable source of income for tuition. . "The project participants began looking for an alternative approach to meeting this need. They discovered a way to help this community of parents establish a business of raising livestock. Income from livestock eventually helped that community become

Leray Glendenning

more self-sufficient. (http://www.rota-ryleader-en.org/rotaryleader-en/en201707, p. 5)

It raises the question that Rotarians must consider as we go about doing good in the world and seeking to make a difference the tension between relief and development. The reality is that both have value but it takes discernment to balance the two. As a Club, we are seeking to keep this difference in mind as we invest in Service Above Self. It is the reason that we pack backpacks AND also purchase Buffalo Bicycles. It is the reason we partner with Operation Warm to provide coats to students AND seek to participate in the global grant that will provide water to a village for farming or to teach young students how to garden and farm. One meets an immediate need, the other builds a future!

Scribbles...

UCAN Backpacks!! A Northwest Rotary Project

Another successful year of packing backpacks!!

Thanks to everyone who came out and spent their afternoon filling 90 backpacks for

Urbandale school students!!

There will be a lot of happy kids again this year!!







Website: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/1664

August 4, 2017 This Week's Program:

Mark McAndrews RYLA Camp Student

Arranged By:
Mark McAndrews
Greeter:
Ed Arnold
Invocation:
Roger Nyberg
Sergeant:
Jim Arthur
Scribe:
Dianne D-Nelson

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Future Programs

8/11: Chris Burch IMT Des Moines Marathon

8/18: Michelle Henaman Courage League Sports

8/25: Kristen Winter Endow Urbandale

More Packing Pics!

Rotary "Hot Topics"









Upcoming Events

Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 15 at 5:00 PM Urbandale Public Library Conference Room

CFUM - Monday, August 28

Golf Outing

Friday, September 15, 2017 - UGCC Lunch at 11:30. Shotgun start at 12:30

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

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Project Updates

The Buffalo Bicycle and Chuck Corwin Memorial, as of July 31, 2017, with the matching funds 1:1 in July has now reached over 50 bicycles with a contribution of nearly \$4,000. This is fantastic. Thank you for all who made this possible. Even though the match ended in July, the project still remains open, with the goal that all of us participate in any amount, if not the full \$147 cost for one bicycle!

Thank you to Brenda Auxier-Mailey, Penny Luthens, Ed Arnold and Laura Holms for setting up the Backpack Project last Friday. In partnership with Endow Iowa it was a great success! Together we packed 90 backpacks that will benefit students in the Urbandale Schools! Thank you to all who participated! This is yet another way we have made a difference in someone's world.



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

Future Information



TBA - Program Chair & Cindy Ray - Meeting Coordinator Chair Sergeant **Program** Invocation Greeter Scribe Jim Arthur Jenifer M-K Aug 11 - IMT DM Marathon Randy Taber Penny Luthens Aug 18 - Courage League Sports John Pittman **Bob Moore** Jim Lipscomb **Doyle Sanders** Aug 25 - Endow Urbandale Joe Kobes Brad Helgemo Roger Nyberg Julia Taylor Can't complete your assigned duty? Please assist Leray by finding your substitute!

Email that information to lglendenni@aol.com also please cc Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski - jmercer-klimowski@emcnl.com.