



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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

September 25, 2026

This Week's Program:

Tiffany Spinner
Child Serve

Arranged by: Doyle Sanders

Greeter:

Mark McAndrews

Invocation:

Bill D. Corwin

Sergeant:

Bill W. Corwin

Scribe:

Jeff Bremer

Future Programs

10/2: Urbandale Police Chief
Rob Johansen &
City Manager David Jones
New Police Station Project

10/9: Brian Mulcahy
CEO Des Moines Airport
Changes at the Airport

Message from the President

Wendi Wilson

There is a lot coming up in Rotary over the next several weeks, and I wanted to share a few important updates with you:

* **Iowa Wolves/Polio Game Committee:** The next meeting is September 23rd at noon. Please contact Ed for further details.

* **Rotarian Nominations:** Nominations open October 1st for an exemplary Rotarian who has made a significant impact through their volunteer service.

* **Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI):** This event will be held October 17th and 18th in Cedar Rapids. It is a fantastic opportunity to strengthen your club, gain new skills, and network. Registration is \$50 per part and is open now at rli-heartland.org.

* **Upcoming Events:** Mark your calendars for Urbandale Uplift on October 22nd at Many Hands, and please plan to attend our World Polio Day presentation on October 23th.

Additionally, I would like to get a club T-shirt order in as soon as possible so we can have matching gear for our upcoming outings. I am leaning toward choosing a bright, eye-catching color—let me know your thoughts!

Best, Wendi



Peanut Butter Cookies



Ingredients: 1 cup smooth peanut butter
3/4 cup granulated sugar
1 large egg

1. Arrange 2 racks to divide the oven into thirds and heat the oven to 350°F. Lined 2 rimmed baking sheets with parchment paper
2. Place 1 cup smooth peanut butter, 3/4 cup granulated sugar, and 1 large egg in a large bowl. Mix until well-combined.
3. Scoop dough out into 24 1-tablespoon portions. Roll into balls. Place balls at least 2 inches apart on the baking sheets. Flatten each ball with a fork until about 2 inches wide and 1/4-inch thick, creating a crosshatch pattern.
4. Bake for 5 minutes. Rotate the baking sheets between racks and from front to back. Bake until the centers are set, the cookies are lightly puffed, and the edges are firm, 5 to 7 minutes more. Let cool completely on the baking sheets, about 30 minutes. The cookies will firm up as they cool.

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Bill W. Corwin, Secretary
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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

Urbandale Uplift - October 22nd at Many Hands

World Polio Day Presentation - October 23th.

Scribbles

Tom Rickie Indianola Balloon Festival

Tom is a commercial hot air balloon pilot. Indianola is the longest commercial hot air



balloon event. He has been licensed since 1999. His grandkids serve as his crew. Tom shared anecdotes and pictures of his hot air balloon experience. A competitive event requires the pilot to drop his baggie on the X target. At his peak Tom used to participate in 9 events. Iowa has the 2nd most pilots nationally. Hot air balloons cannot launch if surface winds are greater than 10 mph. Must seek permission from property owner to launch. Usually from a mowed field.

Tom's balloon equipment includes 2 burners, he is thankful he has never needed his backup burner.

NW ROTARY SOCIAL OUTING

This Thursday, September 24, 2026

at 5:00 PM at Farmer's Market

at Valley Junction.

Meet at 5:00 at the corner of
5th Street and Railroad Avenue.

See you there!

Future Info

Bill D. Corwin - Program Chair

	Greeter	Invocation	Sergeant	Scribe
Oct 2	Tim Olejniczak	Dianne Downing	Jack Bell	Brad Helgemo
Oct 9	Doyle Sanders	Leray Glendenning	Dan Boes	Bill D. Corwin
Oct 16	Julia Taylor	Tony Hunt	Justin Nickel	Dianne Downing

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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