

**Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines** 

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## Prez Sez





Three turtles went off to a picnic. One turtle packed sandwiches, another provided the drinks, and the third one simply came along for company. Halfway to their destination in the woods it started to rain, so they took shelter under a large rock and began talking to

each other. The first two turtles said to the third turtle, "Look, we made the sandwiches, we made the drinks, you brought nothing, so you should be the one to go home and get the umbrellas. Get some umbrellas and when you return we'll go on into the woods and have our picnic." The third turtle said, "You must be joking. As soon as I'm around the corner you're going to eat the food and drink the drinks. When I come back with the umbrellas there will be nothing left." The first two turtles said, "We will do no such thing." The third turtle said, "You absolutely will. There's no way I'm doing that." Eventually the first two turtles swore on their shells that they would not eat the sandwiches or drink the drinks until the third turtle came back with the

umbrellas. The third turtle left. Minutes went by and became hours, hours became days. On the tenth day the first turtle says to the second turtle, "Okay how about it, why don't we just eat the sandwiches and drink the drinks?" Immediately a voice from behind a rock said, "If you do I won't get the umbrellas!"

Many people, look to their future in fear, suspicion and indecision. Procrastination sets in and they miss the opportunities to plan and prepare to leave a legacy that could have impact for years beyond their own time on the stage of life. Paul Harris and Arch Klumph refused to live this way and because of their initiative in looking beyond their mortality, The Rotary Foundation continues to impact the world for good.

One of the goals of our Club this year is for every member to take a moment and think about taking their giving to the next level. Check out the levels below. Which turtle are you – waiting for umbrellas in the rain, or waiting in order to protect your share of the lunch? Make the decision to take the next step!

# Scribbles...

## Josh Ervasti & Mark Slocum

Our two speakers were with The Children's Cancer Connection, an organization whose mission is to connect families affected by childhood cancer by providing programs for education, recreation and support.

In 2008, Josh first organized a volleyball tournament to raise funds and it has grown through the years, and last year, it raised \$37,000 for this cause. Last year over 300 people participated. Through the years the tournament has raised a total of \$177,000.

Mark Slocum explained that something needed to be done to provide help for pediatric cancer patients and their families in Iowa, regardless of treatment outcome or years of treatment. They support the entire family through the entire journey by providing

services at littleto-no cost for individuals and families.

One of the ways The Children's Cancer Connection provides support is through week-long camps. These camps take place at the Y Camp in Boone.

There are also hospital programs that include teaching guides for health care staff. To support the children with cancer they use programs such as giving them a bead every time they have a procedure such as having blood drawn. By the end of the stay, children often have strings of beads which reach across the room.

Thanks to our speakers for an inspiring presentation.

Scribe, Jim Arthur

### November 3, 2017

This Week's Program:

Jim Miller & Mike Wallace
Let's Connect

Arranged By:
Kasey Vogel
Greeter:
Dave Piersel
Invocation:
Larry Sample
Sergeant:
Roger Nyberg
Scribe:
John Waldron

### 2017-18 Officers & Directors

Leray Glendenning, President
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Kasey Vogel, Public Image
Beth Goedken, Programs
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#### **Future Programs**

11/10: Jonathan Cade Hy-Line International

11/17: Terry Ebke ID Shield Bill Corwin JR

**11/24:** No Meeting – Thanksgiving

### This & That

#### Monday

West Polk County, Toyota of Des Moines, (Noon)

#### <u>Tuesday</u>

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**

### **Board Meeting**

November 7th - Urbandale Library - 5:00 PM

#### **Christmas Dinner/Party**

Monday, December 11th

### Jolly Holiday Lights

Tuesday, December 12th

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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## **Levels of Supporting the Rotary Foundation**

Sustaining Member: \$100 gift annually. Paul Harris Fellow: \$1000; Multiple Paul Harris Fellow: Accumulative additional gifts of \$1000. Paul Harris Society Member: \$1000 gift annually. Benefactor: \$1000 given or included in your estate plan for the Endowment Fund; Bequest Society Member: a gift of \$10,000 or more included in your estate plan; Major Donor: Accumulative gift of \$10,000 or more; and the Arch Klumph Society: Accumulative gift of \$250,000. More information needed? Talk with Doyle Sanders, our club Foundation Chair and/or check out:

https://www.rotary.org/en/donate/recognition





# The Holidays Are Just Around The Corner...Buy A Bike!!

With a Buffalo Bicycle student attendance increases up to 28%!!!
Community Healthcare Volunteers make 45% more patient visits and Dairy farmers increase number of deliveries up to 25%!!

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

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monthly Rotary Socials held on the last Thursday of each month @ 5:30PM with locations TBD!!

## **Future Information**



#### Beth Goedken - Program Chair **Program Invocation** Scribe Greeter Sergeant Diana Reed Nov 10 - Hy-Line International Randy Taber Jenifer MK Brad Helgemo Nov 17 - Bill Corwin, Jr. Joe Kobes **Doyle Sanders** Wyatt Earp Julia Taylor Nov 24 - No Meeting No Meeting No Meeting No Meeting No Meeting

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.



## Rotary Out & About

## **CFUM Dinner**

Rotary Members helped pass out food at the CFUM Dinner on Monday, October 23rd. There was a total of 184 meals served; 109 children; 45 adults; and 50 seconds and take-homes meals. Thanks to everyone who came out and participated!







Penny Luthens, Donna Moore & Bill W. Corwin prepping and packing coats!

# Operation Warm Coats!



#### Over 1,000 Coats in Four Years to Keep Kids Warm

Over the past four years our Rotary Club has purchased and distributed 1,074 winter coats to students. Since 2014, our Rotary Club has been determined to keep kids warm during our long Iowa winters. Starting in 2014, we provided coats to students in Urbandale Schools: Rolling Green, Olmsted, Valerius, Karen Acres, Jensen, and Webster Elementary Schools; Urbandale Middle School; Urbandale High School and Metro West Learning Academy (serving students from the Urbandale, Johnston, Waukee, Saydel, Adel and Dallas Center Grimes School Districts). In 2015, St. Pius X Catholic School was added and this year, 2017, we added West Des Moines Schools - Clive Learning Center, and Des Moines Public Schools - Cowles Montessori located in Windsor Heights.

With the help of a matching Community Service Grant from Rotary International District 6000, our Club was able to add schools and purchase more coats this year than in past years, providing 420 coats to babies, preschoolers, elementary, middle, and high school students. To purchase the coats, we partner with Operation Warm, a nonprofit organization that provides us with coats at a significant discount. Operation Warm's mission is to "provide brand new winter coats to children in need, helping to improve self-confidence, peer acceptance, school attendance, and overall wellness."

Keeping kids warm is one of the many projects our Club does with the collective passion and purpose of "Service Above Self" and living our vision that "We change the world and our community by educating, empowering; building bridges; and serving across generations, one community at a time."

Special thanks to Northwest Des Moines Rotarians and spouses who helped with labeling and sorting coats. Rotarians and Spouses: Ed Arnold, Joe Kobes, Bill D. Corwin, Bill W. Corwin, Penny Luthens, Bob and Donna Moore, Leray and Lesa Glendenning, Beth Goedken, Wendi Wilson and Brenda Auxier-Mailey.

Submitted by Brenda A-M



## More Operation Warm Coats



Preschool Coat



Lesa & Leray Glendenning & Wendi Wilson







New Baby Romper



Urbandale School Facilitators of Family Outreach



Brenda Auxier-Mailey and Leray Glendenning



Leray Glendenning and Bob Moore



Labeled and Ready To Go!



Joe Kobes, Beth Goedken, Ed Arnold, & Bill D Corwin