



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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Prez Sez

Leray Glendenning



As I write this, I am watching three small vehicles all in a row at a nearby intersection. Each of them is sporting a large sign secured on the top of the car, drawing attention to a seventy-percent discount at a local store. As I take my usual evening walk with

Storm, our Australian Shepherd, I observe that my neighbors have already begun putting up their Christmas lights. The local stores have cleared their seasonal floors and restocked with all the Christmas displays and decorations. I overheard some family members honing in the specific calendaring of family plans for the Yuletide season. And so it goes that our culture moves quickly from tricks and treats to treats and tinsel trees. . . And what of thanksgiving? It is too easy to slip into the increasing hustle of the holidays without intentionally taking the opportunity to pause and truly be thankful. Sometimes this becomes more difficult when life presents us with less

than desirable circumstances. Gratitude may become a laborious exercise. What then? Consider giving thanks for the following: be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire. If you did, what would there be to look forward to? Be thankful when you don't know something, for it gives you the opportunity to learn. Be thankful for the difficult times. During those times you grow. Be thankful for your limitations, because they give you opportunities for improvement. Be thankful for each new challenge, because it will build your strength and character. Be thankful for your mistakes. They will teach you valuable lessons. Be thankful when you're tired and weary, because it means you've made a difference. It's easy to be thankful for the good things. But a life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are also thankful for the setbacks. Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive. As you gather with family and friends for Thanksgiving in the coming week find a way to be thankful for your troubles, and they may indeed become your blessings.

Scribbles...

Jonathan Cade *Hy-Line International*

Jonathan Cade was the guest speaker today. He was introduced by Jim Arthur, who is retired from this company. Jonathan is the President of Hy-Line and is from the UK. He attended Harper Adams College in England and has been active in the poultry industry for 25 years. He came to work for Hy-Line in 2009 and became President in 2012.

Hy-Line came into being in 1936 and the son of Henry A. Wallace was the first President of the company. It is the world's largest primary layer herding company. There are sales in 120 countries and they are a leader in molecular genetics. They have worldwide production capabilities with 50% of the China market and 60% of the US market. They are currently investing heavily in India and China. They have facilities at West Lake Parkway (corporate headquarters), Dallas Center (labs

and hatchers and two research farms, one of which is named after our own Jim Arthur).

The bird flu (HPAI) outbreak was severe. In Iowa, 50% of the birds died. Jonathan said you really are not prepared to deal with something on this scope until you really have to face it. There were not enough people to handle it and it will keep coming in the future, because the virus can survive for days. The present outbreak has been from January 2013 to October 2016. Iowa is the largest egg producing state and we lost 30 million birds.

It was an interesting and informative presentation and Jonathan took questions at the end.



Scribe, Diana Reed

November 17, 2017

This Week's Program:

Terry Ebke
ID Shield

Arranged By:

Bill Corwin JR

Greeter:

Wyatt Earp

Invocation:

Julia Taylor

Sergeant:

Joe Kobes

Scribe:

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Future Programs

11/24: No Meeting
Thanksgiving

12/1: David Crandall
Kennedy Assignment

12/8: Teach a Child
To Farm

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)

This & That

Speaking of Thanksgiving!

He was a good man but a bit stingy. He would bargain and haggle on a price, never paying the price asked. He especially hated paying his medical fees. One day, while eating fish, a bone became lodged in his throat and within minutes he could scarcely breathe. His wife frantically rushed him to the family doctor's office which was just around the corner. Just as the patient's face was turning blue, the physician quickly removed the bone with a pair of forceps. After he was breathing normally again, although overwhelmed with gratitude to the doctor for saving his life, he began to worry about the medical fees. Trying his best to keep his costs down, he turned to the good doctor and asked, "How much do I owe you for this small two-minute job?" The doctor, who knew his patient's miserly habit all too well, replied, "Just pay me half of what you would have when the bone was still stuck in your throat!" How will you express your gratitude for your blessings during the holiday season? Consider doing this through Rotary: purchase a Buffalo bike, giving a special gift to the Rotary Foundation, or purchase some Iowa Wolves tickets to support the End Polio Now campaign.

Upcoming Events

Salvation Army - Ring the Bells

Saturday, December 2nd.

2 hour sessions beginning at 12:00 noon to 6 pm.

At Hobby Lobby on Merle Hay, same as 2016.

Christmas Dinner/Party

Monday, December 11th

Jolly Holiday Lights Tuesday, December 12th

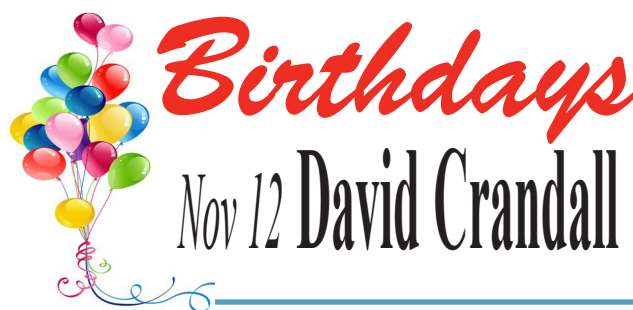


Items for the Nor'Wester should be submitted by end of the day each Monday. Please send to:

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Future Information



Beth Goedken - Program Chair

<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Invocation</u>	<u>Sergeant</u>	<u>Scribe</u>
Nov 24 - No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
Dec 1 - Africa	Brenda AM	Helen Turner	Dan Boes	Julia Taylor
Dec 8 - TBA	John Waldron	Kasey Vogel	Bill Corwin	Helen Turner
<p><i>Can't complete your assigned duty?</i> Please assist Leray by finding your substitute!</p> <p>Email that information to lglandenni@aol.com also please cc Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski - jmercerc-klimowski@emcnl.com.</p>				