CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Rotary

Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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

November 20, 2026

This Week's Program:

Rick Stammer
Rotary Youth Exchange

Arranged by: Jack Bell

Greeter:
Jeff Bremer
Invocation:
Julia Taylor
Sergeant:
Leray Glendenning
Scribe:
Doyle Sanders

Future Programs

11/27: No Meeting
Happy Thanksgiving

12/4: Ashley Vaughn
ABC Cans

12/11: No Meeting
(Christmas Party 12/8)

Message from the President

Wendi Wilson

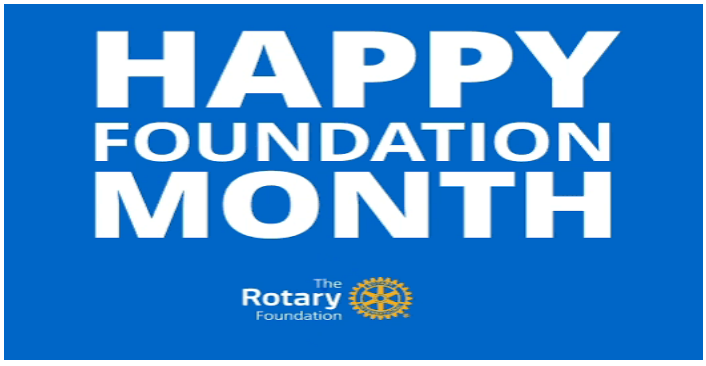


As Thanksgiving approaches, it is the perfect time to pause and reflect on the gratitude we share for our fellow Rotarians and the community we are privileged to serve. Every volunteer hour, generous donation, and shared idea strengthens the bonds within our club and multiplies our ability to do good. This season of thankfulness reminds us that true service begins with appreciation—for the neighbors who trust us, the partners who stand beside us, and the members who bring "Service Above Self" to life each week.

While we give thanks for how far we have come, our eyes remain firmly fixed on creating a lasting impact that extends far beyond the holiday season. Thank you for your tireless dedication to building a legacy of positive, enduring change in our community and beyond.

Wendi





Birthdays



November 19 Wendi Wilson

November 24 Bill W. Corwin

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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 Chuch 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

Christmas Party

December 8th (6-8 pm) at Gilroy's

Scribbles



DG Bill Bruce
District Governor Visit

It was a pleasure to welcome our District Governor Bill Bruce to our club and get an update on district 6000.

Bill has been a member since the 1980s when he first joined a club in Chariton, Iowa. A highlight that Bill pointed out and even started both the board meeting and the club meeting with was how much he enjoys our newsletter and said we have one of the best if not the best on in the district and that he looks forward to reading it each week!

As a younger member something else that he shared about our club that stuck out to me was that we were founded in 1968 which I am sure I probably had heard before, but I honestly couldn't have told anyone that if I was asked our founding year. He then mentioned what must've been going through the founder's mind that back in 1968 during Vietnam and civil unrest they thought now was the time to start a club and to get out in the community to make a difference, now our club will be celebrating 60 years in 2028.

He shared that our district starts in Denison and goes right along Highway 30 till you hit the Mississippi River, and then down to the southern boarder which was also something that I learned. The other thing he pointed out was that there is no District Governor specific goal this year, which I believe is a first since my time but instead we as a club need to decide on what we want to make a goal for this year and how we want to impact the community.

I also enjoyed when he shared the book "What Do You Do with An Idea" to the club. It was a very simple book but one that I believed had a strong message that can be true in Rotary, never be afraid to share an idea with the club, and the idea you have maybe exactly what we need to hear as a club or something we need to be doing as a club.

Wendi, now has some new fliers for our club please get them from her and if each of us gives one to just one person we think could be a good candidate or who we believe should know about Rotary that will continue to help us grow and get the word out about Rotary and what we do.

Scribe, Tim Olejniczak

Future Info

Bill D. Corwin - Program Chair

	Greeter	Invocation	Sergeant	Scribe
Nov 27	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
Dec 4	Brad Helgemo	Jack Bell	Tony Hunt	Julia Taylor
Dec 11	Bill D. Corwin	Dan Boes	Mark McAndrews	Justin Nickel

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.
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