



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines / Fridays @ Noon - UGCC 4000-86th St. Urbandale

Prez Sez

Jack Bell

Last week we had our bi-monthly CFUM Supper Club dinner across from Moulton Elementary. It was the first post-COVID, sit-down dinner in four years. HyVee took center stage, donating enough food to feed a Division 1 football team. It was a traditional spaghetti meal with all the accompanying goodies, including brownies that looked like my grandmother's (not sure how they tasted; didn't think I'd be able to pull back after an initial sampling).

According to Jake, this was a collective donation from all area stores – numbering close to 22 if I heard correctly. I also think I heard Jake say that HyVee would continue to provide this generous contribution for the remainder of our visits (fourth Monday of each even-numbered month). Next time you are at a HyVee, please find the store manager and extend our gratitude!

We provided exactly 100 meals, including serving plenty of students...I spoke to one who was on his way to track practice and needed to fuel up before the workout. I initially was a bit concerned with the sheer amount of food that HyVee had provided, but as I scouted the kitchen looking for stray cookies my questions were addressed: CFUM staff were packaging food for both the Grubb YMCA and several local community fridges.

It's now nearly time for our big raffle weekends – May 18/19 and May 25/26. You'll never guess which organization is once again allowing us to utilize (high trafficked) space for ticket sales...yep, that would be HyVee.

One more, last minute, item. I just spoke to our friend John Rodgers from the WDM Club. On Tuesday, May 14 at 5:30 John Ockenfels and Peter Teahen will give their first-hand account to the WDM Club at Grand Living at Tower Place in West Des Moines about their Flight Around the World to End Polio. John will visit us on Friday to give us all the details on what surely will be a captivating talk.

Thank you all for Creating Hope in the World. Jack

Scribbles...

Club Assembly

Pickleball: The good news, the club made more \$\$ than ever before, but had fewer participants. Dinks was great to work with and club needs to decide next steps. Club raised \$2,300 more than last year, this does not include current raffle still going.

CFM: HyVee provided the spaghetti dinner and has enlisted other HyVees to provide that meal each week at no cost to our Club. They also provided "take home" containers for those participants who wanted to take their meal with them.

May 5 - Spring Clean Up. Meet at Des Moines Christian parking lot 1pm, water and slice of pie provided! Walking 142nd - 128th.

RYLA - still in need of students/ Rotarians to attend the week in July, Rotarians are there to provide support and give working examples for the students.

LeRay - Gave us an update on his involvement with Croatia. He and his church served 20

May 3, 2024

This Week's Program:

Dr. Wendianne Wilson

Advances in Vision Care

Arranged By:

Bill D. Corwin

Greeter:

Dianne Downing

Invocation:

Mark McAndrews

Sergeant:

Wendi Wilson

Scribe:

Kelly Peterson



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Future Programs

5/10: Kelly Peterson
Campfire

5/17: No Meeting

5/24: TBA

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, Echo Valley Golf Course, (6:30 am)
West Des Moines, DM Golf & CC, (Noon)

Wednesday

East Polk County, Caring Hands, (7:00 am)
Adel, 1016 Main St. Raccoon Valley Comm. House (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, Embassy Club - Ruan Bldg, (Noon)
Winterset, Pizza Ranch, (Noon)

Friday

Des Moines, AM, Downtown Holiday Inn – Mercy, (7:00 am)

Upcoming Events

Trail Clean-up - Sunday, May 5
Flight to end Polio Presentation, May 14
Raffle Ticket Sales at Hy-Vee, May 18, 19, 25 & 26

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

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Scribe Continued...

families from Ukraine who were refugees in a day camp type setting. They had great translators from a mission within the country. Great experience.

Hero in Education - discussion about losing Urbandale School contacts, so perhaps the funds that went toward recognizing a specific teacher would go to boost the Scholarship \$\$ for DMACC. Consensus to increase the \$\$ amount for the DMACC scholarships for those students pursuing career focused pathways.

Golf Outing discussion for Fall 2024. Would prefer 12:30 pm start, perhaps Beaver Run, need sponsors and teams to organize. Be nice to have a food option before play starts.

Scribe, Julia Taylor

Birthdays

May 1 Kyle Piper



Anniversary

Julia Taylor 32 Years

Jim Lipscomb 22 Years

Tony Hunt 1 Year



Future Information



Ed Arnold - Program Chair

Greeter

Invocation

Sergeant

Scribe

May 10

Dan Boes

Tony Hunt

Bob Moore

Doyle Sanders

May 17

No Meeting

No Meeting

No Meeting

No Meeting

May 24

Bill D. Corwin

Joe Kobes

Tim Olejniczak

Kelly Peterson

Can't complete your assigned duty? Please assist Jack Bell by finding your substitute!



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