



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines
www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines / Fridays @ Noon - Ramada, 5000 Merle Hay Road

July 12, 2024

This Week's Program:

Rob Hedgepath
Iowa National Guard

Arranged By:

Kelly Peterson

Greeter:

Mark McAndrews

Invocation:

Bill D. Corwin

Sergeant:

Dianne Downing

Scribe:

Julia Taylor

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Future Programs

7/19: Steve Cannon
Adventure Photographer

7/26: Jeremy Parsons, CEO
Iowa State Fair

8/2: Sara Kurovski
Make A Wish Foundation

Prez Sez

Tim Olejniczak

First off, I hope everyone had a good 4th of July! I got to spend the whole holiday weekend with my family. It was the first time in two years that the whole side of my dad's family was together. The 4th is always one of my favorite holiday's and each year we have a big party at my dad's, and I get the privilege of being the fireworks director.



I am doing this weeks Prez Sez's from abroad, currently sitting at a Joe in the Juice in London typing this out. One of my biggest stresses about taking over as president was the fact that I had this trip planned for a while and that it was right after the gavel passing. But, everyone has been so helpful and taken that stress away from me. Billie has been over here for a little while, so i got to meet up with her before we head over to Slovenia on Thursday.

As far as Rotary goes I have two big ask. First, our golf tournament is right around the corner, and we are going to probably have a higher food cost than we originally projected. With that being said, if you know anyone who would like to play or who would be a good sponsor please reach out to them or let Ed or myself know and we can reach out to them for you. Sponsorship is pure profit for the tournament so the more we can get the better! Second, the biggest area of focus this year is getting new members to join Rotary and help with all the good that we do both locally and globally. We are going to have a member/guest meeting at some point before year end (date TBD) so please start thinking about a guest to bring to that event who you think would be a good fit for Rotary!

I hope everyone has a great week, and just a reminder if you have someone who you think would be a good speaker for one of our meetings please let me know!

Scribbles...

Brandie Broadhead - Orchard Place

Brandi's journey to her now position for almost 10 years at Orchard Place, came naturally. As a mother of a child with mental health issues, she came to Orchard Place by way of being in children's ministry, educational travel matching students to host families, and finally in the position of Family Peer Support and Life Experience; which eventually led to her current position of Director of Volunteer and Events for Orchard Place.

Some statistics around mental health and children and youth:

- 1 in 5 children and youth develop an emotional or behavioral disorder.
- 1 in 3 will get help, however average time to access treatment can be 7 years.
- Suicide is the 2nd highest cause of death for children and youth in Iowa.
- Children and youth with mental health disorders have a higher than average dropout rates.
- Mental health in children and youth is diagnosable and treatable.
- History of Orchard Place:

Originally Orchard Place was an orphanage after an infant was left at the doorstep of one of the founders. It was originally named Friends of Homeless and Orphaned Children. Original location is where Gateway Market now stands.

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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, Community 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)
 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

RYLA Grinnell College, July 14 - 19
 NW Rotary Golf Tournament, August 29

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

Tim Olejniczak

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There was a fire at the facility and a drop of number of children served as an orphanage, with a community assessment, led to the development of a residential program for children and youth with behavioral and mental health issues. Which eventually became Orchard Place that now has three types of services.

Orchard Place's Data for 2023

6,890 kids served

335 staff

424 volunteers

90% of parents say that the therapeutic services have helped.

93% of parents are satisfied with Orchard Place's services.

Orchard Place operates with a 22.98 million dollar budget. Orchard Place's Three Sites and Programs;

Child Guidance Center~ 4,000 Children and Youth Served

Mental Health Services

Physiological Services-39,140 Outpatient Psych visits

School Based Therapy

Medicine Management

Enrichment summer camp

Latino outreach

Integrated health program

System of care which provides an alternative to medicaid which is the majority of their qualified cases

489 served around skill building

1074 served with coordinated care services

They have a variety of events that help support Orchard Place. All which involve hundreds of volunteers and participants each year.

Shine a Light~ Bike Ride that will take place on July 13th from the Iowa Tap Room.

Spelling Bee~ Their largest fundraiser that teams compete and "bribe" judges. This event raises \$70,00 a year.

Rise and Shine~Drive to collect toiletries items.

They are always looking for donors, volunteers and advocates to help Orchard Place thrive in the future.

Scribe, Kelly Peterson

Future Information

Ed Arnold - Program Chair



	Greeter	Invocation	Sergeant	Scribe
July 19	Bob Moore	Leray Glendenning	Bill Grask	Wendi Wilson
July 26	Jack Bell	Bill Grask	Mark McAndrews	Dianne Downing
Aug 2	Doyle Sanders	Tony Hunt	Bob Moore	Bill D. Corwin
<i>Can't complete your assigned duty?</i> Please assist Jack Bell by finding your substitute!				