

## Prez Sez

Bill D. Corwin

Good Day to you Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines.

At this week's meeting, we had several firsts. Our Sergeant, our Scribe, and our Speaker were all on zoom. We added singing back in, but only 2 songs. We are continuing to get the kinks worked out of the plated meal service. I know you will say it was great to see everyone both live and on zoom. I can see the great commitment we have to being Rotarians and being together and giving back.

A call to action for the Club. We are quickly moving toward some big fundraisers. We have some big commitments coming up for service to others, and we need the money from our fundraisers to pay the bills for the service projects. We need your action.

In the order they appear in the calendar:

Larry Sample and Ed Arnold are continuing to handle the CFUM meal on their own this month. Thank you both. We look forward to the day when we can as a Club serve the meal together, again. It is wonderful that our Club can continue to provide a meal, even in these times of pandemic.

We are in the heart of raffle ticket selling season. Our tickets this year have more value on the coupon side and all cash prizes on the raffle side. Kelly Peterson-Cruse and Danny Mielneczek are really giving Ed a challenge for ticket sales this year. As impressive is fact that Kelly says she only knows 12 people in Des Moines so far. We have the money we will raise from the raffle earmarked for the Warm Coats project, which last year cost over \$9,000.00. We are applying for a grant, but it won't cover the whole cost, for sure. Please sell those tickets early and often. People like saving the money and the restaurants really like seeing the coupons come in. The kids who get the coats will really appreciate it as well, come winter.

Our 8th annual Golf Tournament is coming up on 9-18-2020. We can still use foursomes, sponsorships and volunteers. We have good participation, so far, but can always use more. Maybe some good weather would help as well. It is sure to be a good time and will help things feel a bit more like pre-pandemic life. See Ed Arnold for more details on what is needed or to add your golfers to the mix.

News on the Pickleball for A Purpose Tournament for this year. Our tournament is on National Pickleball Day, 10/10/20. We are again at Smash Park, starting at 8 a.m. and finishing when the last match has been played. We are still looking for players (epically Rotarians to compete for the 3' high trophy) and sponsors to add to the great ones we have so far, and volunteers. These events are much closer together than we planned, so please mark your calendar for both, if you can help or play.

The same reminder that we would love to see some like-minded service-oriented guests coming to the meetings on zoom or face-to-face. The Club will still buy a guest their first lunch when they come check us out. Someone attending a zoom meeting as a guest will not lose the Club-provided lunch at a face-to-face meeting in the future.

Thanks for all you do to make good things happen in the world.

Bill D. Corwin



August 28, 2020

***This Week's Program:***

**Tony Timm**  
Children & Family  
Urban Movement  
-- UGCC + Zoom --

*Arranged By:*

Ed Arnold

*Greeter:*

Dianne Downing

*Invocation:*

Beth Goedken

*Sergeant:*

Jenifer M-K

*Scribe:*

Randy Taber

### ***2020-21 Officers & Directors***

Bill D. Corwin, President  
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Dianne Downing, Secretary  
Eric Idehen, Board Member  
Donna Larson, Board Member  
Bob Moore, Board Member  
Kyle Pieper, Board Member  
OPEN, Board Member  
Beth Goedken, Past President

### ***Future Programs***

**Meeting Type Subject To Change**

**9/4:** Shelby Ridley  
Primary Health Care  
Homeless Support  
UGCC + ZOOM

**9/11:** Laura Holms  
UCANN  
UGCC + ZOOM

## 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)

## Upcoming Events

**West Polk County Rotary Club Annual  
Bike Ride in Grimes** Saturday, August 29

**Board Meeting** Tuesday, September 15

**NW Rotary Annual Golf Tournament**  
Friday, September 18

**NW Rotary Pickleball Tournament**  
Saturday, October 10

## Scribbles

### *Chris Knapp* The Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation is our Foundation because we put the money in and decide how it is used toward achieving the six areas of Rotary's focus. The Mission of TRF is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty.

Last year, the Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines gave \$7,068 to the Annual Fund and \$4,030 to the End Polio Now campaign. We gave at the rate of \$213 per member, compared to \$113 per member throughout the District.

The Foundation is in the business of helping one another. We do that through the three Rotary pillars of Membership, Public Image and The Rotary Foundation. Those are not stand-alone pillars. As we work in each of these areas and carry out projects as a club, we should communicate with the community so that it knows who we are and what we do. When we speak up, the community asks questions and becomes involved.

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### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3174127211?pwd=ektQNzM3NVJpTkZkVHZGcXoybWsvUT09>

Meeting ID: 317 412 7211 Password: 371508

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

**Jenifer Mercer-  
Klimowski**

Phone: 515-237-2203 Fax: 515-237-2283  
jmercer-klimowski@emenl.com

## Future Information



### Ed Arnold - Program Chair

| <i><b>Program</b></i>   | <i><b>Greeter</b></i> | <i><b>Invocation</b></i> | <i><b>Sergeant</b></i> | <i><b>Scribe</b></i> |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Sep 4 - Primary Health Care   | Wyatt Earp            | Marv Johnson             | Danny Mielneczek       | Julia Taylor         |
| Sep 11 - Foundation   | Leray Glendenning     | Joe Kobes                | Bob Moore              | Tim Olenjiczak       |
| Sep 18 - TBA  | Bill Grask            | Donna Larson             | Bets Peters            | Wendi Wilson         |
| <i>Can't complete your assigned duty?</i> Please assist Bill D. by finding your substitute! |                       |                          |                        |                      |



# Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines  
www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines / Fridays @ Noon - UGCC 4000-86th St. Urbandale

## Scribbles continued...

The  
**Rotary**  
Foundation



Last year, the District gave \$135,000 to End Polio Now. With the Gates Foundation matching gifts, that amounts to almost \$400,000 to the effort. This is a demonstration of how we are interconnected across

the nation and around the world. While Africa is now polio-free, the reports from Pakistan have not been encouraging this year. However, the government has recently given the military authority to help the delivery of the vaccine throughout the country. With their war-torn infrastructure, this offers new hope for the possibilities of ending polio sooner.

The District strongly supports giving to the Foundation, either to the Annual Fund, the Endowment Fund or the End Polio Now effort. Thirty-two District Grants have recently been approved for next year, in the total amount of \$102,000. That is a little less because giving was down three years ago. Yet, over the last 12 years, District 6000 has given 95 global grants totaling \$5.2m and impacting 900,000 people.

Following are ways to give to the Foundation: 1) Every Rotarian Every Year (\$25); 2) Sustaining Member (\$100 per year); 3) Paul Harris Society (\$1,000 per year). And our Club has the Super Sustaining Member program where people give \$200 per year. We give because we want to and because we can. It is not automatic. We see. We feel. We learn. We act.

Doyle Sanders, Scribe



***Birthdays***  
August 22 Danny Mielneczek  
August 26 Jim Lipscomb  
August 27 Bill Grask



***Bike Ride***  
***"You're Invited!"***

The West Polk County Rotary Club would like to invite any and all members to our annual bike ride in Grimes, IA on August 29th. There will be a longer ride on the bike trail that begins in Grimes. There will also be a family ride that winds through Grimes on the bike trail.

We have had to alter our planning this year and will not be serving lunch but we will have snacks and water at the end of the ride.

Proceeds for this ride will be for the construction of a Veteran's Memorial in the new city park under construction this coming year.

**Facebook link for  
Bike Ride event. Like and share.**

[https://www.facebook.com/  
events/645988712669873](https://www.facebook.com/events/645988712669873)