



Prez Sez

Bill D. Corwin

Bad news on parking for the 2021 Trail gate clean up. Des Moines Christian has said our cars may be in the way of the car line during the 1:30 – 2:30 time frame. That leaves us with street parking as the primary option for where to park for the trail clean up. I will update the flyer I am attaching to the newsletter this week. I would suggest that people carpool over from the clubhouse. I will be ready to take 6 and drop people off and take them back. We can work on those logistics on the 10th based on how many can go and how many want to avoid the one-block walk to the trail. I have driven by the trail 4-6 times a week and it usually looks very good. This may be a quick clean up, but there we will all know where it is, and we can work on it individually all year as we want to. I have a garbage bag in my car now for just that purpose. I hope we can be well-accustomed to keeping it looking good by the time our sign is installed.

Coming up at our weekly meeting, look for the membership minute with Tim Olejniczak. Tim has some good ideas to share on our desire to grow our membership in 2021-2022.

We also have our Annual Golf Tournament coming up on September 17th. If you wish to sponsor the tournament, register a foursome, or provide give some door prizes or gifts to the player contact Ed Arnold at edarnold1945@gmail.com or 515-979-6215. We are also looking for volunteers to assist us the day of the Tournament. This will be our meeting that week.

Donna Larson is also working with the Playhouse again this year to set up some times between October and Thanksgiving for us to volunteer as we have in the past. The Playhouse is back to providing quality live entertainment and needs volunteers. Look for more details in late September and early October.

Scribbles...

Steve Franklin - Urbandale Community Development

On Friday, NWDM Rotarians were treated to a very informative presentation by the Director of Urbandale Community Development, Steve Franklin. Steve has served as Director for the past five years. A special census is conducted by the City of Urbandale every five years. In 2000 Urbandale's population was 29,072. By the year 2020 the population had grown to 45,580. Urbandale's growth has mainly been to the west and now stretches all the way out to 184th Street. With the current Corporate Limits, Urbandale's population will top out at approximately 70,000 residents.

Population growth is closely aligned with residential construction. Residential construction cannot happen without final plats being proposed and approved by the City of Urbandale. Currently there are 200 to 300 lots created each year allowing a 2- to 3-year inventory for developers and housing for new home buyers. In 2019, 84 final plats were approved. In 2020 there were 306 and in 2021, 232.

What has changed most recently, allowing more construction, has been the size of lots being approved and the permit approval process. In the past, lots had to have a minimum frontage width of 80 to 100 feet. Lots being approved today are 46 – 50 feet wide. Smaller lots are cheaper, and the home being built is smaller. Smaller homes are less expensive, creating more affordable housing opportunities. The Community Development Department has

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September 3, 2021

This Week's Program:

Dave Miglin
Broadlawns Hospital
Update

Arranged By:

Ed Arnold

Greeter:

Beth Goedken

Invocation:

Wendi Wilson

Sergeant:

Bob Moore

Scribe:

Donna Larson

2021-22 Officers & Directors

Bill D. Corwin, President
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Dianne Downing, Secretary
Ed Arnold, Board Member
Eric Idehen, Board Member
Donna Larson, Board Member
Tim Olejniczak, Board Member
Kyle Pieper, Board Member
Beth Goedken, Past President

Future Programs

Meeting Type Subject To Change

9/10: Jan Herke
Urbandale Parks & Rec

9/17: No Meeting
GOLF OUTING

9/24: Melissa Grandischnig
Central Iowa Shelter

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

SAVE THE DATE!!

Annual Golf Outing - September 17, 2021

District Governor's Visit - October 15, 2021

Look What's Coming!

First Rotary multi District Conference taking place after seventy-five years in Iowa. District 5970 and District 6000 will come together on April 22nd and 23rd 2022 in Iowa City!

Scribe Continued...

adopted an online portal for permits and inspections, making the entire process much easier and faster. This has been extremely effective during the COVID-19 pandemic. When City Hall was forced to be closed. Residential, Commercial and Industrial Permit Valuations have dramatically increased during the past two years. 2019-2021 residential permits for fence, deck and basement construction improvements have likewise seen substantial growth in numbers.

City of Urbandale Community Development Department has accomplished the following projects so far in 2021:

- Mobile Food Unit (Food Trucks) – Approved a Zoning Ordinance amendment to allow on private property with permit
- Apiculture (beekeeping) – Approved a Zoning Ordinance amendment to allow subject to Performance Standards (No Chickens)
- Annexation – Waukee agreement renewed through 2031, Continued conversations with Grimes about annexation of the finger
- Comprehensive Plan update (consultant approved in October)

The City of Urbandale will continue to seek community input on important issues and to support the idea of creating a “crib to grave” living experience for its citizens.

Scribe, Joe Kobes

**DON'T WAIT.
VACCINATE!**

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

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Klimowski**

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NEW!

Future Information



Ed Arnold - Program Chair

<i>Program</i>	<i>Greeter</i>	<i>Invocation</i>	<i>Sergeant</i>	<i>Scribe</i>
Sep 10 - Urbandale Parks & Rec	Doyle Sanders	Ed Arnold	Leray Glendenning	Mark McAndrews
Sep 17 - Golf Outing	Golf Outing	Golf Outing	Golf Outing	Golf Outing
Sep 24 - Central IA Shelter	Julia Taylor	Dan Boes	Marv Johnson	Shannon Heinen
<i>Can't complete your assigned duty? Please assist Bill D. by finding your substitute!</i>				