

Prez Sez

Jack Bell

In March of this year, we were visited by Tiffany Menke, President of the Urbandale Chamber of Commerce, who informed us of all the activities going on at the Chamber. Among other facts, she informed us that membership has grown from just over 250 members to nearly 800, making it the second largest of the nearly 30 organizations that are part of the Greater Des Moines Partnership.

After her presentation, and after consideration of all the programming and networking benefits and opportunities that she discussed, our Board decided to join.

This past Tuesday, I attended the Chamber's monthly "Maximize your Membership" meeting, which anyone from our club is welcome to attend, held on the first Tuesday of each month. This one-hour session serves as an orientation - for new and "vintage" members alike - to all the chamber offers and provides some insights to maneuvering the website, with a focus on the packed calendar.

I'll highlight two additional events that might be useful for both our club and business networking purposes:

- AM Exchange The last Tuesday of each month, 7:30-8:30 am. Strategic networking amongst over 100 members. If you're interested in raising profiles, go to their website and register to attend the next one on Tuesday, September 26.
- B.A.S.H (Business And Social Hour) This is the Chamber's quarterly afternoon social hour. If 7:30 is too early to network, why not try 4 pm?

Please see the Chamber's website for much more information about networking events, educational resources, and everything else that our membership offers. That's it for this week. Many thanks to Bill D for filling in for me at the podium this week!

Rotary Creates Hope, Jack

Scribbles...

Ryan Arnold - Drake University

Ryan came to the club and spoke on economic community impact for 2022

- Student Spending 62m
- Visitor Spending 19.3M
- Faculty and Staff Earnings 158.3M
- Ryan spoke on the importance of bring the surrounding community housing back to life Invest dollars and grants

September 15, 2023

This Week's Program:

Leo Landis

Iowa's Emancipation Events

> Arranged By: David Piersel *Greeter:* Bill D. Corwin *Invocation:* Wendi Wilson Sergeant: Donna Larson Scribe: **TBD**



2022-23 Officers & Directors

Jack Bell, President Tim Olejniczak, President Elect Bill W. Corwin, Treasurer Dianne Downing, Secretary Ed Arnold, Board Member Bill D. Corwin, Board Member Kyle Pieper, Board Member Kelly Peterson, Past President



Future Programs

9/22: Brent Blum We Will Collective at ISU

> 9/29: No Meeting Golf Outing

10/6: Amber Lewis DM Homeless Policy Admin

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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)
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)



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

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Scribe Continued...

- He told us about the new Football/Soccer facility that will pair with Des Moines public school systems
- Drake continues to work with the city for public transportation access both bike lanes and bussing
- New Handicapped facility that is one of a kind and houses all amenities possible for the handicapped
- He talked about the rotary donation and what the money would be used for

Drake plays an important part in the Des Moines community. The relations that they have with all businesses to land their students jobs in Iowa and Des Moines are among the best in the country.

Scribe, Jake Heston

Upcoming Events

Trail Cleanup / DM Christian Church Sunday, September 17 - 1:00 pm

AM Exchange / Urbandale Chamber Tuesday, September 26

> Annual Rotary Golf Outing (no formal club meeting) Friday, September 29

Urbandale Uplift Project Thursday, October 12

Future Information





	Greeter	Invocation	Sergeant	Scribe
Sep 22	Leray Glendenning	Kelly Peterson	Mark McAndrews	Joe Kobes
Sep 29	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
Oct 6	Bill Grask	Dan Boes	Bob Moore	Bob Moore