

Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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Prez Sez

Kelly Peterson

So last weekend was the Haunted Hantesa weekend event for Camp Fire. We had almost 500 people come visit our site in Boone. Families with young children, middle schoolers and even some high schoolers. It was such a joy to see the excited faces, enjoying the beautiful weather, games, snacks and of course, the famous "haunted trail." It was a "friend-raising" event and we received a lot of expressions of "thank you" from the participants for creating a family friendly event. Families being together, making memories.

I have always loved how Rotary is a family, not only all of us as a Rotarians, but also how many times our own families are involved in our Rotary life. Meetings, socials, the gifting of Paul Harris awards, and most often- service projects. Last week was our coat sorting event. Thanks to Ed, Tim, Dianne and her husband David, and the "Corwin Clan" as over 550 coats were unpacked, sorted and delivered. The whole Corwin family did not miss a beat when they were told that family dinner that night would be pizza and sorting coats. I was amazed and so appreciated the many who showed up (as even I was pulled into a unplanned board meeting for work) and made it happen. Then, at St. Vincent De Paul's volunteer day, I talked my guy into helping and Mark was there with his son in addition to Jack our fearless leader of all things service.

I felt the same joy I did over the Haunted Hantesa weekend - seeing family (both Rotary and actual) together, and demonstrating "service above self."

Yours in Service, Kelly



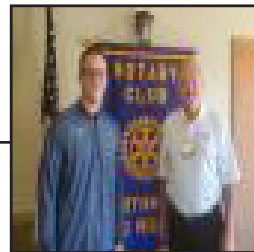
Scribbles...

Alex Barker - Iowa Wolves G-League Update

Alex is the Vice President of Sales and Promotions of the Iowa Wolves. He has been with the Wolves for five years. He was born and raised in the Twin Cities. After working for the Minnesota Timberwolves for three years, he came to the Des Moines Metro Area when his wife was hired as a teacher here.

The NBA teams expect the G League to develop the players' skills. The Wolves train the same way and with the same plays as the Minnesota Timberwolves. Alex reported that Lucca Garza has signed for a two-way contract at \$100,000 per year. He is guaranteed to be called to play for Minnesota 45 games. Since that can happen at a moment's notice, there's no way to predict when he will play in Des Moines. All but two NBA teams have a G League team. There is now a G League team in Mexico City. The G League is the second-best league in the world after European league. It is the quickest route for a player prospect to get to the NBA roster.

The Iowa G League team has been changed from being the Energy, then the Grizzlies and



November 4, 2022

This Week's Program:

Perlla Deluca

SE Constructors, Inc.
Labor Update

Arranged By:

Jack Bell

Greeter:

Dan Boes

Invocation:

Tim Olejniczak

Sergeant:

Jack Bell

Scribe:

Shannon Heinen

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Future Programs

11/11: Joseph Giunta
Des Moines Symphony

11/18: Tony Montgomery
Home, Inc.
Affordable Housing

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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, Caring Hands, (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, Embassy Club - Ruan Bldg, (Noon)

Winterset, Pizza Ranch, (Noon)

Friday

Des Moines, AM, Drake University - Courtside Club (7:00 am)

Upcoming Events

**Iowa Wolves Polio Plus
Basketball Night**
Saturday, February 4, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

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

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and now the Wolves. The Wolves are under new ownership with Mark Perry as primary owner and A-Rod as one of the minority owners. The standard G League salary is \$45,000 plus most expenses. 25 to 50% of G League players are international players.



The Wolves franchise is on the rise in dominance in the G League. They have a new head of marketing who is focusing on being more present in the community. One promotion is the Read-to-Achieve program where kids are encouraged to read and are rewarded with Wolves tickets. In 2021, the team raised over \$30,000 for local charities. They have many different celebration jerseys recognizing certain causes. After the game, the team members autograph their uniforms which are then auctioned to raise money for the cause. There are six "dark days" when the Wolves invite youth to come to play and drill and get tickets to the game that night.

Season tickets are 5-game or 8-game tickets. There are 24 home games . . . 4-5 per month. Our Polio Plus game will be February 4, 2022, at 7 PM. The night will also be Concert Night featuring a talent yet to be determined.

Alex explained how the QR code works when ordering tickets. (Ask Ed.) If you want to buy tickets to donate for youth to come to the games, you should buy through the Club rather than using the QR code. To sell tickets to others, give them the QR code. Make sure that they know to select the Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines as the club to receive credit.

Doyle Sanders, Scribe

Future Information



Ed Arnold - Program Chair				
	<u><i>Greeter</i></u>	<u><i>Invocation</i></u>	<u><i>Sergeant</i></u>	<u><i>Scribe</i></u>
Nov 11:	Bill D. Cowin	Jim Lipscomb	Wendi Wilson	Joe Kobes
Nov 18:	Dianne Downing	Kyle Pieper	Derek Sparks	Donna Larson
Nov. 25	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
<i>Can't complete your assigned duty? Please assist Kelly Peterson by finding your substitute!</i>				