



Nor'Wester

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines / Fridays @ Noon - UGCC 4000-86th St. Urbandale

Prez Sez

Jack Bell

Our Service Above Self Foundation Creates Hope in the World by supporting numerous projects and organizations, both locally and internationally, and at this Friday's meeting we will be joined by the leaders of four area non-profits who were selected to receive donations.

One international initiative that the Foundation supported is a water and sanitation project in Ghana, led by the Rotary Club of Montreal. This is a collaboration of many clubs and aims to impact over 1 million lives over the next 20 years. If anyone would like more information, please ask any Foundation Board member.

Here is a summary of information on the four local organizations that will visit us on Friday. We've asked each to speak for around 5 minutes and provide us with a short update.

Salvation Army – Many of us are familiar with the Salvation Army locally through our bell-ringing activity early each December. Their development coordinator, Tamyra Harrison, who has visited with us in the past, will be one of our guests this week.

DMARC – Another organization that we've supported in prior years. DMARC is seeing an unprecedented increase in demand for services – the first few weeks of November produced 5 of the busiest 10 days EVER, serving upwards of 1,600 people each day. Leslie Garman will once again stop by to fill us in.

Urbandale Food Pantry – Our most recent involvement with the food pantry was during the Urbandale Uplift Project back in October of this year. Patty Kisting will represent them.

Clive Community Services – This is one organization that I don't know well and am looking forward to hearing more from Annabelle White, the Executive Director.

Finally, the Foundation also made another donation for the annual Civitas event, to be held in 2024. Many of you might recall that Rotary Civitas is a forum that Jenifer was very passionate about. We'll learn more about Civitas 2024 in the New Year.

Thank you for all you do in the world, Jack

Scribbles...

PDG Steve Wieneke - Rotary Leadership Institute

PDG Steve Wieneke presented about the Rotary Leadership Institute. He is the coordinator in our district. Over 400 District 6000 members have attended. There are both undergraduate and graduate programs. Our club members Jack and Bill W have both completed the program. It is a chance for Rotarians to brain-storm on Rotary.

It is not a Rotary project. But it is recognized by Rotary. There are institutes around the world. The purpose is to put more tools in our Rotary tool belt and to become more knowledgeable about Rotary. It is important to learn what other clubs are doing. Who should attend? New members, yes, but also people who want to be more involved and learn more about Rotary. People of all walks of life have participated. It is meant for every Rotarian to improve leadership skills and learn about Rotary.

It teaches to get away from lecturing at Rotary meetings to facilitate learning. The class sizes are small. Average size is 6 people, and it involves role playing and problem solving. It meets on Saturdays 8:30 to 3 PM. Classes are in the spring and fall.

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December 8, 2023

This Week's Program:

Food Pantry

Grantees

Arranged By:

Jack Bell

Greeter:

Julia Taylor

Invocation:

Joe Kobes

Sergeant:

Leray Glendenning

Scribe:

Wendy Kriegshauser



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Future Programs

12/15: Alex Barker &
Jori Nieman
Iowa Wolves

12/22: No Meeting
Merry Christmas

12/29: No Meeting
Happy New Year

This & That

Another successful year ringing those bells for the Salvation Army! You just never know where NW Rotary members will pop up! Thanks to all who once again this year spent part of their day helping another great cause here in Iowa!



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

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Scribe Continued

There are three courses, and you learn leadership training, strategic planning, club communication, team building, attracting members, how to build a stronger club and assembling an action plan. Graduate courses extend the program.

You can pre-register and pay the fee on the District website. The Rotary Leadership Institute is reputed to be better than DG training. The next Institute is Saturday April 13 in Boone. Sessions 1, 2, & 3 are all offered in succession on the same day.

IT IS ALSO TO BE NOTED

that we celebrated and honored PDG, 9-time Paul Harris Fellow, Benefactor, and long-time club pianist, Dave Piersel. After almost 40 years in Rotary and over 20 years in our club, Dave is leaving us and moving to Cottage Grove, Minnesota.

Scribe, Doyle Sanders



Upcoming Events

Christmas Dinner - Wednesday, December 20

NO MEETING

December 22nd & December 29th

President Elect Orientation

District Annual Meeting - February 17, 2024

Future Information



Ed Arnold - Program Chair

Greeter

Invocation

Sergeant

Scribe

Dec 15	Wendi Wilson	Mark McAndrews	Bill Grask	Kelly Peterson
Dec 22	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
Dec 29	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting

Can't complete your assigned duty? Please assist Jack Bell by finding your substitute!



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