



Founded in 1905 as the world's first volunteer service organization, Rotary quickly expanded around the Globe. Today, club members meet weekly to plan service projects, discuss community and international issues and enjoy fellowship. Clubs are nonpolitical and are open to every race, culture and creed.

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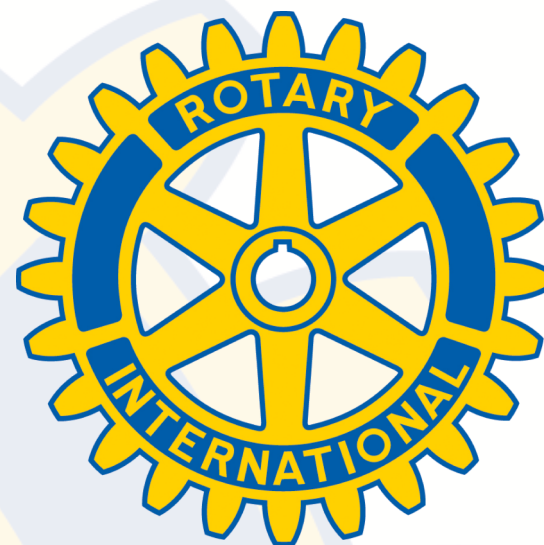
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The Rotary Club of NW Des Moines Meets every Friday, 11:30 a.m., at:

Urbandale Golf and Country Club
4000 86th Street
Urbandale, Iowa

The Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines



Service Above Self

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Club activities include:

- Reading with students at George Washington Carver Elementary School.
- The annual Charles Gabus bike ride, raising money for various local community organizations. Last year over \$6,000 was contributed for bike trail improvement and other worthwhile projects.
- Support of the CFUM program providing meals for the needy.
- Provision of water purification systems in Mexico.
- Supplying schools in Nigeria with needed supplies.
- Ringing bells for the Salvation Army at Christmas time.
- Selling root beer floats to raise funds for the Special Olympics.
- Working with the Urbandale Caring Corps to provide assistance to residents who are elderly, disabled or homebound.
- AND much more.



Polio Plus:

The most ambitious program in Rotary's history, is the volunteer arm of the global partnership dedicated to eradicating polio. For more than 20 years, Rotary has led the private sector in the global effort to rid the world of this crippling disease. Today, PolioPlus and its role in the initiative is recognized worldwide as a model of public-private cooperation in pursuit of a humanitarian goal.

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines has organized an Iowa Energy Basketball / Polio Plus Fund raiser in conjunction with the other Des Moines Area Rotary Clubs, to help fulfill the District's commitment to the Bill and Melinda Gates Polio Eradication challenge. Working with the other clubs should also expose others to Rotary and provide them an opportunity to participate in the eradication of Polio worldwide.



Club Socials:

Our number one commitment is to service, but we enjoy life in the process. Our meetings are known for their cheerful, enjoyable nature. In addition, the club has four social outings each year, including an evening at an Iowa Cubs baseball game.



The Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines welcomes business and professional people who are interested in active participation in the community.

If you are interested in learning more about Rotary, please contact one of the following:

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CHARLES GABUS
MEMORIAL RIDE

