



NOR'WESTER

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines
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January 7, 2011

Prez Sez...

Eric Dickinson

Shane Goodman

Living Magazine

Arranged By:

Leslie Malcom

Greeter:

Brad Helgemo

Invocation:

Ed Arnold

Sergeant:

Chuck Corwin

Scribe:

Marv Johnson

Happy New Year!!!

Welcome back to Rotary!
Another new year has begun and it is going to be an interesting and productive one for the Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines.

With this I'd like to ask you to make ONE more New Year's Resolution - resolve to bring a potential member to a Rotary meeting this year and let's get the club growing again!



Reminder: The Urbandale Golf & Country Club closes for 2 weeks in January. Our meetings on Jan. 7, 2011 & Jan. 14, 2011, will be at Christopher's in Beaverdale. See you there!

Scribbles...

2010 Officers & Directors

- Eric Dickinson, President
- Wanda Armstrong, President Elect
- Brad Helgemo, Secretary
- Marcus Dunn, Treasurer
- Ed Arnold, Director
- Jim Arthur, Director
- Dan Boes, Director
- Jenifer M-K, Director
- Diane Porter, Director
- Wendi Wilson, Past President
- Dianne D-Nelson, Exec Sec
- Bill Corwin, Exec Treas

Future Programs

- 1/14: Kent Henning
Grand View University
- 1/21: Brock Earnheart &
Terry Geiger

Leanne Freeman-Miller Drake University Music Dept.

A Song is worth a Thousand Words

Friday's guest was a soprano singing phenomenon! Leanne Freeman-Miller, an associate professor of voice at Drake University, gave a wonderful performance that had the entire Rotary spellbound by her talent. Leanne was born and raised in Estherville, Iowa. She completed her bachelor's degree in music education at the University of South Dakota and a master's degree in vocal performance from Drake University, where she has been a member of the music faculty for 15 years.

In 2006 she received the Madelyn Levitt Teacher of the Year award, which is Drake's highest honor awarded to faculty for teaching. She has performed in several locations including performing in the Shanghai, China area in 2009. She

teaches 40 students a week and many of them have gone on to be known as formidable in voice competitions and have won many national competitions. She says her students go into music "because it chooses you, you can't live without it."

Friday's performance lived up to the "hype." She helped put everyone into the spirit of the season. In one particular Italian number, she had a few audience members turning bright shades of red... (See photos from Phil Houle of Ed Arnold and Kevin Smith). She was accompanied on the piano by our own Dave Piersal, who was fantastic as well. We all enjoyed their performance immensely and hope they enjoyed their time with us as much as we did with them.

Quote of the Week: "It takes talent and life experiences to sing well . . . for example, I don't believe someone can sing the Blues, if you haven't been there!" - Ed Arnold

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul Kirpes, Scribe

Other Local Meetings

Tuesday

- Ankeny, Ankeny Golf & Country Club, (11:45)
- Johnston, Hyperion Golf & CC, (7:00 am)
- Dallas Center, Memorial Hall, (Noon)
- 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, Jimmy's (6:00 pm)

Thursday

- Waukee, Des Moines Golf & Country Club, (6:45 am)
- Des Moines, Wakonda Club, (Noon)
- Winterset, Northside Cafe, (Noon)

Friday

- Des Moines, AM, Wakonda Club at 3915 Fleur Dr. (7:00 am)

Only In America

Only in America...

...do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front

...do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke

...do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage

...do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight



We'll Be Singing . . .

TBA

Items for the Nor'Wester should be submitted every Wednesday by Noon. Please send to:

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BIRTHDAYS

Dec 22 Paul Kirpes

Dec 28 Tim Bonney

Dec 31 Tim Walpole

Future Information

<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Invocation</u>	<u>Sergeant</u>	<u>Scribe</u>
<i>Chairperson:</i> Leslie Malcom	<i>Chairperson:</i> Wanda Armstrong	<i>Chairperson:</i> Jim Pittman	<i>Chairperson:</i> Beth Goedken	<i>Chairperson:</i> Larry Sample
Leslie Malcom, Jan. 14	Phil Houle, Jan. 14	Jim Arthur, Jan. 14	Liz Nead, Jan. 14	Joe Kobes, Jan. 14
Eric Dickinson, Jan. 21	Paul Kirpes, Jan. 21	Brenda A-Mailey, Jan. 21	James Allan, Jan. 21	Leslie Malcom, Jan. 21
David Crandall, Jan. 28	Joe Kobes, Jan. 28	TBA, Jan. 28	James Allan, Jan. 28	Roger Nyberg, Jan. 28