



NOR'WESTER

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines
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Prez Sez...

Wendi Wilson

November is the time to reflect on the things we are thankful for. We as Americans are so incredibly blessed despite the trying economic times. I challenge each one of you this month to find something daily for which you can be thankful. I'm thankful for the Bill Gates Foundation in providing such a large grant that the eradication of polio can actually become a reality when it is used in combination with the funds from our Rotary Foundation. I'm thankful for a past-president that energized our club and really started to make it the club's club again. I'm thankful for an awesome board this year that has been working very hard. I'm thankful for each one of you that contributes so much to not only our club meetings, but the Rotary organization itself.



Abbie, Prez & Gabi

Scribbles



Cal Litwiller District Governor

The meeting began with a save the date notices for the Christmas Party and Iowa Energy Polio Plus Game. The party will be held December

14, 2009 at Johnny's Italian Steakhouse. The Iowa Energy game is January, 23 2010.

Northwest Des Moines Rotary welcomed our District Governor, Cal Litwiller and his wife Rachel Litwiller. Rachel kicked off the presentation with an overview of the of the District 6000 Conference. This year's conference will be held 4/23-4/25 in Burlington, IA. The key note speaker for the event is motivational speaker Charlie Wittmack. This year's conference also will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Women in Rotary. The conference will begin with a golf event at Spirit Hollow Golf Course. The entire conference will be under one roof. Rotarians are encouraged to bring their families. Activities available for families include an indoor water park, bowling, and go karts.

Cal began by recognizing many of our club's members for their service to Rotary. Cal share the average NW member gives \$202 a year, this ranks third in District 6000.

Cal's message to the group was one of, "every member counts." He asked our group to think back to why we became Rotarians. Rotary is a selective organization that brings together people with high ideals. It is an organization that employs TEAM, Together Each Accomplishes More. This is particularly evident when looking at the impact of Rotary on polio. "To the world you are only one person, but to one person you might be the world," was one of the powerful quotes that Cal used during his presentation. This certainly reflects the difference Rotary makes in the world.

Cal ended his presentation with a recap of how donations to the Rotary Foundation are used. The NW club donated \$100 to the Rotary Foundation in Cal's name.

Scribe, Dan Boes

November 13, 2009

Program:

Liz Nead
Nead Inspiration

- Arranged By:
Dave Smith
- Greeter:
Paul Kirpes
- Invocation:
Jim Lipscomb
- Sergeant:
Ed Arnold
- Scribe:
Jeff Bremer

2009-10

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

- Wendi Wilson, President
- Eric Dickinson, President Elect
- Brad Helgemo, Secretary
- Wanda Armstrong, Treasurer
- Ed Arnold, Director
- Jim Arthur, Director
- Chuck Corwin, Director
- Rick Grant, Director
- Marcus Dunn, Director
- Cam Torstenson, Past President
- Dianne D-Nelson, Exec Sec
- Mark McAndrews, Exec Treas

Future Programs

- 11/20: Jamie Revord
Rotary International
& Doyle Sanders
Rotary Foundation

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)

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Rotary Minute...

International Service

Today's Rotary Foundation Minute is a reminder to ALL of us that the Foundation is the primary way in which we are involved in the 4th avenue of service - *International Service*.

When you and I make our donations to the Rotary Foundation, we do so knowing that 50% of that donation will come right back to our District to be used for approved educational and humanitarian programs chosen by us! And Now...20% of our "half" can be allocated to District Simplified Grants for approved projects right in our own communities! Even the other 50% comes back to us indirectly because it's used to match a variety of world community service projects. Out gifts to the Foundation help the world while simultaneously they are rooted deeply in our club and in our community. Every Rotarian Every Year is a reminder to all of us to donate generously to the Foundation on a consistent basis.



We'll Be Singing . . .

Opening: The Star Spangled Banner
 Song Time:
 God Bless America
 You're A Grand Old Flag (#80)

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

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BIRTHDAYS

November 7

Joe Kobes

November 10

Kevin Smith

Jenifer M-K

November 11

Wanda Armstrong

BIRTHDAYS



Future Information

Program

Chairperson:
Gil DeRoos

- Doyle Sanders, Nov. 20
- No Meeting, Nov. 27
- Paul Kirpes, Dec. 4

Greeters

Chairperson:
Nancy Johnson

- Ed Arnold, Nov. 20
- No Meeting, Nov. 27
- TBA, Dec. 4

Invocation

Chairperson:
Jim Pittman

- Jim Pittman, Nov. 20
- No Meeting, Nov. 27
- Joe Kobes, Dec. 4

Sergeant

Chairperson:
Kevin Smith

- Richard Keith, Nov. 20
- No Meeting, Nov. 27
- Richard Keith, Dec. 4

Scribe

Chairperson:
Larry Sample

- Brett Bremser, Nov. 20
- No Meeting, Nov. 27
- Dick Cummings, Dec. 4