



# NOR'WESTER

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines  
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March 2, 2012

## Rebuilding Together

Greater Des Moines

Arranged By:

Gene Gabus

Greeter:

Chuck Corwin

Invocation:

Joe Kobes

Sergeant:

Liz Nead

Scribe:

Waytt Earp

## Prez Sez...

Wanda Armstrong

The World Health Organization has officially removed India from the list of polio-endemic countries. Ghulam Nabi Azad, India's minister of Health and Family Welfare, made the announcement at the Polio Summit 2012 in New Delhi on 25 February. Azad said that he had been informed of WHO's action by its director-general, Dr. Margaret Chan.



India's last reported case was a two-year-old girl in West Bengal State on 13 January 2011. Before polio eradication can be certified in India, it must go two more years without another case of the disease. Polio remains endemic in only three countries: Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan.

Our work is not complete until the final three countries are removed from this list.

## Scribbles...

### 2011-12 Officers & Directors

- Wanda Armstrong, President
- Brad Helgemo, President Elect
- Leslie Malcom, Secretary
- Dan Boes, Treasurer
- Ed Arnold, Director
- Jim Arthur, Director
- Jenifer M-K, Director
- Gil DeRoos, Director
- James Alan Smidt, Director
- Eric Dickinson, Past President
- Dianne D-Nelson, Exec Sec
- Bill Corwin, Exec Treas

## Eddie Ellis El Salvador Report



Last week's speaker was Mr. Eddie Ellis, who introduced the El Salvador North American Village Network (ESNA). Mr. Ellis is VP of Strategy for ESNA, and along with Scott Valentine helps coordinate ESNA's mission.

This mission is to connect villages in El Salvador with communities here, to build lasting social change. They apply technical, academic, medical, and business resources to help these communities gain more independence. This nonprofit organization is growing, and has made an impact on a lot of lives.

### Future Programs

- 3/9: Captain Stanley Manus  
Iowa National Guard
- 3/16: Kent Sovern  
AARP

If anyone is interested in helping this organization, contact Eddie, Scott (through Heartland Presbyterian Church) or Brad Helgemo. Great speaker/program!

Scribe, Bill Grask

## 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, Mama Lacona'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)

## Roving Ambassadors

Wanda Armstrong	Board Meeting	2/8
Eric Dickinson	Board Meeting	2/8
Bill Corwin	Board Meeting	2/8
Leslie Malcom	Board Meeting	2/8
Jenifer M-K	Board Meeting	2/8
Gil DeRoos	Board Meeting	2/8
Ed Arnold	Board Meeting	2/8
Dan Boes	Board Meeting	2/8
Liz Nead	Board Meeting	2/8
Jim Arthur	Food Bank	1/23
Ed Arnold	Food Bank	1/23
Jim Arthur	Food Bank	2/2
Jim Arthur	Food Bank	2/6
Roger Freerksen	Food Bank	2/6
Jim Arthur	Food Bank	2/16
Wanda Armstrong	Food Bank	2/16
Liz Nead	E-Club	2/24



### *We'll Be Singing . . .*

God Bless America  
 Song Time:  
 The 4-Way Test (#18)  
 Smiles

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

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## Giggles



**Spring Fever!**

## Future Information

<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Invocation</u>	<u>Sergeant</u>	<u>Scribe</u>
<i>Chairperson:</i> <b>Phil Houle</b>	<i>Chairperson:</i> <b>Chuck Corwin</b>	<i>Chairperson:</i> <b>Jim Pittman</b>	<i>Chairperson:</i> <b>Kevin Smith</b>	<i>Chairperson:</i> <b>Brenda A-Mailey</b>
Phil Houle, March 9	Bill Corwin, March 9	Jim Lipscomb, March 9	Jim Pittman, March 9	Gene Gabus, March 9
Chuck Corwin, March 16	Ed Arnold, March 16	Leslie Malcom, March 16	Josh Asche, March 16	Vicky Foresman, March 16
Phil Houle, March 23	Roger Freerksen, March 23	Mark McAndrews, March 23	Gil DeRoos, March 23	Brenda A-M, March 23