

NORVESTER Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines www.clubrunner.ca/northwestdesmoines

March 2, 2012

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...

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.

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

Scribe, Bill Grask

Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines Arranged By:

Gene Gabus <u>Greeter:</u> Chuck Corwin <u>Invocation:</u> Joe Kobes <u>Sergeant:</u> Liz Nead <u>Scribe:</u> Waytt Earp

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Future Programs

3/9: Captain Stanley Manus Iowa National Guard

> 3/16: Kent Sovern AARP

Other Local Meetings

<u>Tuesday</u>

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) <u>Wednesday</u> 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) <u>Thursday</u> Waukee, Des Moines Golf & Country Club, (6:45 am) Des Moines, Wakonda Club, (Noon)

Winterset, Northside Cafe, (Noon)

<u>Friday</u>

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



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

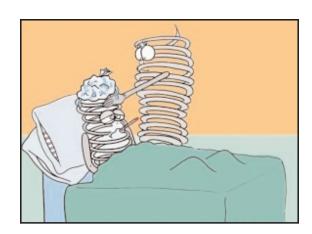
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Roving Ambassadors

| Wanda Armstrong | Board Meeting | 2/8 |
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| 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 |
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Giggles



Spring Fever!

Future Information

| <u>Program</u> | <u>Greeters</u> | <u>Invocation</u> | <u>Sergeant</u> | <u>Scribe</u> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Chairperson: Phil Houle | Chairperson: Chuck Corwin | Chairperson: Jim Pittman | Chairperson: Kevin Smith | Chairperson: Brenda A-Mailey |
| 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 |

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