



NOR'WESTER Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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March 23, 2012

Prez Sez...

Wanda Armstrong

John Rozycki

Drake University Professor

Arranged By:

Phil Houle

Greeter:

Roger Freerksen

Invocation:

Mark McAndrews

Sergeant:

Gil DeRoos

Scribe:

Brenda A-M



The committee for the Charles Gabus Memorial Bike ride will have raffle tickets available at the meeting Friday. The tickets will sell for \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The committee has been working hard on getting some great prizes this year.

Raffle prizes for this year:

- Puerto Vallarta Get Away - Spring Break 2013 (Value: \$800.00) Seven day vacation for four
- Eye Care Package (Value: \$615.00) Eye Exam + Prescription Glasses
- Ever Blooming Gift - Urbandale Hy-Vee (Value: \$395.00) Flowers one time/month for 12 months

Prize list continued on back...



A reminder that your board voted five years ago that the Charles Gabus Memorial Bike Ride would be our fund raiser for the year. We are asking that all members support this fund raising effort by selling at least \$100 in raffle tickets-more would be great.

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

Future Programs

- 3/30:** Dennis Goldford
Drake University Professor
- 4/6:** Mitch Matthew
Big Dream Gathering

Scribbles...

Kent Sovern AARP

Kent Sovern, the Iowa Director of AARP, presented the many facets of AARP striving to achieve their mission to “Enhance quality of life for all as we age.” AARP Iowa enacts that mission by striving to be a genuine force in helping Iowans become more fully engaged in their communities.

Due to the demographics of our country as a whole, and Iowa more specifically, the vision of AARP is moving in the direction of being a more bottom-up organization that begins its focus at the community. This is essential to keep Iowans engaged with their communities and in their communities as they age.

Some of the most popular current programs of AARP are createthegood.org – linking volunteers to causes needing help; www.drivetoendhunger.org – a collaboration with Jeff Gordon and NASCAR to alleviate hunger in the US; Tax Aid; Workforce

Development; Driver Safety (no charge for Veterans if taken in the month of November).

Mr. Sovern also gave overviews of 2 new initiatives. Des Moines has joined the World Health Organization’s Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities. This process involves a 2 year planning period and 3 year implementation period that addresses infrastructure, social capital and health services with a goal to give people the ability to live their best life as they age.

The second initiative is AARP’s “You’ve Earned a Say” campaign (earnedasay.org), a grassroots listening process that will help AARP form its advocacy agenda with respect to Medicare and Social Security.

Scribe,
Mark McAndrews



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)



We'll Be Singing . . .

God Bless America

Song Time:

I've Been Workin' on the Railroad (#41)

When You're Smiling (#82)

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

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Roving Ambassadors

Dianne D-N	Salvation Army Bell ringing
Brad Helgemo	Salvation Army Bell ringing
Doyle Sanders	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Larry Sample	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Jenifer M-K	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Ed Arnold	GW Carver Reading--4 days in Oct
Ed Arnold	GW Carver Reading--3 days in Nov
Ed Arnold	GW Carver Reading--3 days in Dec
Brenda A-M	Iowa Energy Game
Jenifer M-K	Iowa Energy Game
Joe Kobes	Iowa Energy Game
Dave Nagel	Iowa Energy Game

CHARLES GABUS
MEMORIAL RIDE



Prizes Continued!!!

- Family Fun Weekend (Value: \$300.00)
Stoney Creek Inn (2 nights), Family Urbandale Pool Pass, Adventureland Park Day Pass, Incredible Pizza Company Certificate
- Golfer's Delight (Value: \$325.00) 18 holes Urbandale Golf & Country Club, Golf carts and Lunch for four
 - YMCA Gift Certificate (Value: \$264.00)
4 month adult membership
- Sports Package: four tickets each (Value: \$240.00)
Iowa Barnstormers, Cubs & Energy
- Women's Care Package (Value: \$135.00)
Manicure + Massage + Hair Styling
- Barnes & Noble Gift Certificate (Value: \$100.00)

BIRTHDAYS

March 19 Dave Nagel

Future Information

<u>Program</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Invocation</u>	<u>Sergeant</u>	<u>Scribe</u>
<i>Chairperson:</i> Phil Houle	<i>Chairperson:</i> Chuck Corwin	<i>Chairperson:</i> Jim Pittman	<i>Chairperson:</i> Kevin Smith	<i>Chairperson:</i> Brenda A-Mailey
Phil Houle, March 30	Phil Houle, March 30	Mark McAndrews, March 30	Roger Freerksen, March 30	Wyatt Earp, March 30
Liz Nead, April 6	Eric Dickinson, April 6	Liz Nead, April 6	Gene Gabus, April 6	James Arthur, April 6
Liz Nead, April 13	Jim Arthur, April 13	Roger Nyberg, April 13	Kevin Smith, April 13	Eric Dickinson, April 13