



# NOR'WESTER

## Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines

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July 11, 2008

Program:

Martha Willits  
Greater DM Partnership

Arranged By:  
Nancy Johnson  
Greeter:  
John Newberg  
Invocation:  
Jim Pittman  
Sergeant:  
Kevin Smith  
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### 2008-09

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7/18: Julie Lofdahl  
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7/25: District Governor  
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## Prez Sez...

Cam Torstenson

### "Make Dreams Real" is the 2008-2009 Rotary Theme.

When Paul Harris helped found the first Rotary Club in 1905, inspired by the dream of creating a club that combined fellowship and service, who could have imagined how exciting the reality of that dream might be?

Today, Rotary International boasts over 1.2 million members in more than 200 countries and geographic areas. The Rotary Foundation is the world's largest privately funded scholarship program and Rotary's financial contributions to the global polio eradication effort will reach nearly \$650 million by the time the world is certified polio-free.

As a member of Rotary, you are a part of the ongoing effort to make the dream of Rotary a reality. As we enter the 2008-2009 Rotary year, the challenge our club must embrace is to determine what we want our part of the Rotary dream to look like and begin to imagine how to make it a reality.

*So, let's dream big and pursue our dream with enthusiasm!*



"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm!"  
-Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Scribbles

### Carmen Lampe Zeitler

#### Children & Family Urban Ministries

WHYLD GIRLS is a Program of Children and Family Urban Ministries. The program focuses its energy on the potential and leadership that adolescent girls offer our community and world. The program provides opportunities to apply the writing and reading skills they learn in school with experiences in the community. Integrating education with their realities empowers the girls to find and strengthen their voices. A repeated phrase the girls learn and use to encourage one another in the midst of their work is, Yes, thinking is hard work, but if you don't do your own thinking, someone else will do your thinking for you!"

Developing healthy relationships with their peers and mentors creates a space where girls feel safe and can relax. The program offers girls the respect they deserve for their hard work as well as encouragement in their struggles.

Whyld girls meet weekly after school as well as during school breaks. Summer provides a three week, full day, intensive literacy experience that integrates reading a novel and interfacing its themes with poetry, personal reflection, contemporary articles, music and cultural experiences.

The student mentor program is for girls who have been a part of the middle school program for at least 2 years. The mentors assist and lead in after-school programming, attend two leadership workshops, and work to maintain their business, "Whyld Girls Product with Purpose." When their yearly contract is fulfilled the girls receive incentives to provide them with educational opportunities. Success in the Whyld Girls is not framed by "perfection" but by the determination to "not give up."

Roger Nyberg  
Scribe



# Ankeny Rotary Raffle

Ankeny's 2008 Raffle...

**Only \$10 per ticket**

which includes a \$5 coupon to  
Leaning Tower of Pizza.

**You can Win your CHOICE!!**

Kawasaki 3-person Watercraft or Kawasaki  
Motorcycle each valued at nearly \$9,000.

**Second Prize: \$500 Cash**

**Third Prize: \$250 Gas Card**

*Drawing to be held in Late July.*

**Contact Wade Steenhoak - 418-0365**



*We'll Be Singing . . .*

God Bless America

In the Good Old Summertime (39)

Smiles

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

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# Rotary Minute...

**The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:**

- **FIRST.** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- **SECOND.** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- **THIRD.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- **FOURTH.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

BIRTHDAYS

June 23

**Brad Helgemo**

June 27

**Dave Smith**

July 10

**Eric Dickinson**



BIRTHDAYS

# Future Information

## Program

*Chairperson:*

**Joe Kobes**

Nancy Johnson, July 18

Cam Torstenson, July 25

TBA, Aug 1

## Greeters

*Chairperson:*

**John Newberg**

TBA, July 18

Ryan Irwin, July 25

Dave Smith, Aug 1

## Invocation

*Chairperson:*

**Jim Pittman**

Kristin Young, July 18

Julia Taylor, July 25

Randy Taber, Aug 1

## Sergeant

*Chairperson:*

**Kevin Smith**

TBA, July 18

TBA, July 25

TBA, Aug 1

## Scribe

*Chairperson:*

**Janifer M-K**

Wendi Wilson, July 18

Eric Dickinson, July 25

Larry Sample, Aug 1