



NOR'WESTER

Rotary Club of Northwest Des Moines
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Prez Sez...

Wendi Wilson

Even the best of Rotarians, the most committed, the most passionate, cannot heal the world every day. But we can take the little actions, the small, local actions, the personal actions to help one person every day. To bring a smile to someone's face, to help when burdens are heavy, to offer a warm handshake of friendship.

Think of little things you can do for others. A little note inside a packed lunch for your kids. Offer a neighbor a ride to the store, saves money and the planet, too. Offer to pay for lunch for a co-worker. There are so many ways to share love and be happy even when it seems like the worst day ever! If 1.2 million of us do this every day, what would the world be like?

I challenge each of us to do a kindness for someone else EVERY DAY this week.



Abbie, Prez & Gabi

Scribbles

Boys & Girls Club of Central Iowa

Nancy Johnson brought to us our speakers for today's program from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Iowa. Executive Director, Sam Carrell, and Director of Development Julie Moore's presentation dealt with the unique symbiotic relationship of BGCCI with the new Des Moines George Washington Carver Elementary School, where many of our members participate in the NW Des Moines Rotary Earn to Learn program. BGCCI's prior relationship at Wallace and Longfellow elementary schools led to a unique situation where the physical needs of BGCCI programs were included in the architectural design of the building. So now the students use the academic portion of the building during the school day, and then move to the BGC area for after school activities.

Boys & Girls Clubs is a youth development organization that empowers local youth to be successful, upstanding, and confident students and citizens. They offer after school and all day summer activities such as tutoring, leadership, sports, and arts opportunities in a safe supportive environment.

The clubs serve youth ages 5-18 years, and are strategically located in neighborhoods where children have few options for positive non-school activities or lack the resources to take advantage of what's available.

Presently BGCCI serves 5500 club members in central Iowa.

Boys & Girls Clubs have an impact on the community: **1.** The vast majority of the clubs alumnae report that being club members during their childhood literally saved their lives. **2.** That club staff helped them learn right from wrong. **3.** The club was the best thing available in their community. **4.** 91% of club members graduate from high school compared to 50% of their peers, and 26% go on to college.

Roger Nyberg,
Scribe



September 4, 2009
 Program:

Bruce Anderson
 IA Automobile Dealers

Arranged By:
 Nancy Johnson
Greeter:
 Tim Bonney
Invocation:
 Larry Sample
Sergeant:
 Kevin Smith
Scribe:
 Wanda Armstrong

2009-10

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Future Programs

9/11: Carolyn West
 Author/Artist
 9/18: Stephen Quirk
 Youth Emergency
 Services & Shelter

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)



We'll Be Singing . . .

Opening: America the Beautiful

Song Time:

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

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

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Rotary Minute...

Youth Programs

Thousands of people age 30 and younger participate in Rotary programs to learn skills that will help them become future leaders. Youth programs allow participants to discover more about themselves and the world by participating in community projects, leadership training, or cultural exchanges. Young people also learn about the principles of ethics, service, and fellowship that Rotarians exemplify.

Over the next few weeks I will be talking about such things as the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Rotaract, Interact, and the Rotary Youth Exchange.

Adrian McDowell passes along greetings & good wishes from John Newberg to all of his Rotary Friends!!

BIRTHDAYS

September 2

Phil Houle

September 3

Randy Taber

BIRTHDAYS



Future Information

Program

Chairperson:

Gil DeRoos

Gil DeRoos, Sep. 11

Phil Houle, Sep. 18

Chuck Corwin, Sep. 25

Greeters

Chairperson:

Nancy Johnson

Nancy Johnson, Sep. 11

Beth Goedken, Sep. 18

Leslie Malcom, Sep. 25

Invocation

Chairperson:

Jim Pittman

Diana Reed, Sep. 11

Diane Porter, Sep. 18

John Pittman, Sep. 25

Sergeant

Chairperson:

Kevin Smith

Brett Bremser, Sep. 11

Beth Goedken, Sep. 18

Richard Keith, Sep. 25

Scribe

Chairperson:

Larry Sample

Diane Porter, Sep. 11

David Smith, Sep. 18

Julia Taylor, Sep. 25