



Greetings from Western Douglas County Rotary ...

The Western Douglas County Rotary club has been a chartered service organization in the area since 1990 and we are looking for ways to grow our membership. As such, we would like to personally invite you to a "Get to Know Rotary" informational event and luncheon at 12:00 noon, on February 2, at the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation building (20272 Veterans Drive, Elkhorn NE 68022).

Rotary International's motto is "Service Above Self" and it has been a leader in world-wide humanitarian service since 1905. Rotary now exceeds 1.4 million global members, with over 46,000 clubs in nearly every country of the world. We are the only non-governmental organization that has a permanent seat in the United Nations.

Rotary's primary mission is to promote peace, fight disease and provide clean water throughout the world. Over time, its mission has been expanded to include an emphasis on supporting mothers and children, supporting education and growing local economies. As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, we have reduced polio by 99.9 percent, vaccinated nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries and contributed over \$2.1 billion to the cause since 1979.

Locally, we support the DC West Food Bank, COPE (Christian Outreach Program of Elkhorn), Salvation Army bell-ringing and numerous other community-based organizations. As part of our overall involvement in the community, we collectively sponsor \$6,000 in yearly scholarships to four area schools (Elkhorn High, Elkhorn South, Elkhorn North and DC West).

As current and former business leaders, we stay connected to the communities that we serve and we encourage others to do the same. Our weekly meetings are very informal, educational and entertaining. We currently meet every Thursday at 12:00 noon in the Alumni Center at the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation building.

Please RSVP to this email if you are interested in joining us on February 2. You can learn more about Rotary at [rotary.org](http://rotary.org) or contact us if you would like more information.

Thanks,

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