

# QUOTA FLASH

Quota International of Waterloo

## Meeting Schedule

**Tuesday, May 23, 2017**

**AEA 267 Conference Center**  
Cedar Falls

5:30 pm Social/6:00 pm Dinner

Dinner Catered by Patty Gaede

### Menu

Assorted Salads  
Meat & Cheese Platters  
Homemade Bread  
Assorted Cold Drinks/Coffee

**Cost \$10.00**

### Hostesses Committee

Ann Tippet, Chair  
Kathy Buzynski, Marilyn Moore,  
Mary Twaites

### Program

**Preplanning Arrangements**  
Locke Funeral Home

## Summer Meetings

**Tuesday, June 27, 2017**

Irv Waren Clubhouse

Hostesses: Gail Carter, Monica Haag,  
Mary Sandberg

**Tuesday, July 25, 2017**

Location: To Be Announced

Hostesses: Meg Heatley, Ann Tippet,  
Carol Toppin

**Tuesday, August 22, 2017**

Clarion Inn University Plaza

Hostesses: Kathy Buzynski, Lynne  
Campbell, Oletha O'Donnell  
"Guest Night"

## President's Message

May is here and nature is doing its thing with all the beautiful flowers, warmer temperatures, green grass. I love this time of year and have many pots of flowers. Fortunately my husband has the green thumb and I can admire them. As the new Quota year begins I am honored to be the new President for 2017-2018. I am looking forward to working with some great ladies who give to others with their time and talents.

We have just completed another successful Brunch in April with many people working hard to accomplish this. There were some very tired bodies by 1:30 but it was all worth it. A big THANK You to all who helped.

The House of Hope Mother's Day Project was a GREAT Success!! The children were busy and had FUN making heartfelt projects for their mothers! Thanks to Ann Tippet and a large group of Quotarians who helped with this event.

Work is underway for our upcoming Quartermania at the Waterloo Center for the Arts on Thursday June 1st. We have 23 vendors lined up with Food, Fun and Cash Bar available. There will be many great gifts for the Auction so bring lots of Quarters! We hope to have a good turnout to let people know what Quota does here in the community. This is another project that takes many hands to be a success.

On May 22 the Cops & Kids committee will have a Police Appreciation Day and deliver treats to the Waterloo Police Department. I get to help purchase these treats so I hope they all make it to the police station!

As you can see we are a busy group with many projects going on. Enjoy this weather and remember we are **Opening Doors with Quota!!!**



Mary Sandberg

Vicki Grimes installed the incoming officers and board members at our April meeting. Best wishes everyone for another successful year!



## May & June Birthdays

Marsha Stroh (5/4)  
Jo Slickers (5/21)  
Lynne Campbell (6/1)  
Sandy Lawry (6/16)

## Food Bank Dates

Quota members will be volunteering at Northeast Iowa Food Bank on:

**Wednesday, May 24, 2017**  
and  
**Tuesday, May 30, 2017**

**5:00 - 7:00 PM**

The Food Bank is located at 1605 Lafayette in Waterloo. This is a good way to serve our community and meet some Quota members. See you there!

## Thank You

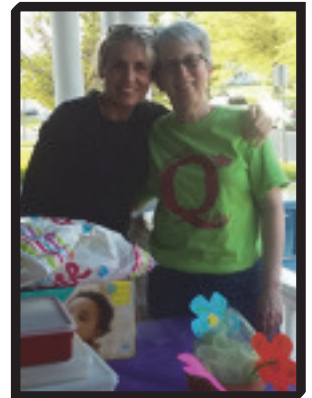
Many thanks to the Quotarians who donated to the casserole drive for Catholic Worker House on May 6th. We added 22 casseroles to their freezers! Our donation has helped the Worker House restock their freezers and will help feed some hungry folks during the summer months. Thank You!

Kathy Buzynski & Rose Quirk  
Service to Disadvantaged  
Women & Children

**Our appreciation to the Quota volunteers who helped create beautiful Mother's Day gifts with the children at House of Hope on May 9th. Pictured at right, Quota volunteers included:**

(Row 1) Beth Hunemuller, Jo Moon,  
Lynne Campbell  
(Row 2) Marge Maurer, Ginny Salkeld,  
Shari Sorensen, Sharon Saddoris  
(Row 3) Marsha Stroh, Rose Quirk,  
Ann Tippett

## A Hopeful and Happy Mother's Day at House of Hope



The House of Hope staff and the mothers who participated in our Mother's Day Project on May 9th are very grateful for bringing these experiences to their children. The kids had fun making heartfelt gifts for their mother. Many happy hearts!



Ann Tippett (below) planned and organized the Mother's Day Project at House of Hope. Kudos to all!





# Quota Mission .... Ensuring Child Development



Officer Dan Taylor from the Evansdale Police Department joins Cops 'N Kids volunteers at Elk Run Early Childhood Center for a Book Event on May 3rd. This was the first Cops N Kids event at this center. Officer Taylor read to the children and we gave out 184 books. Our thanks to Eileen Gunderson, Jo Moon, Marge Maurer and Ginny Salkeld who helped at the event.



“Thousands of Candles Can Be Lit From a Single Candle

And the Life of the Candle Will Not Be Shortened.

Happiness Never Decreases By Being Shared.”

-- Buddha

Doors open wide .... worldwide .... with our continued financial support of **Project Shiksha, QI of DLF City, India**. QI of Waterloo donated \$250 to “Project Shiksha” in 2017. This project is part of Quota International We Share Foundation's Hand-to-Hand program supported by our club for the fourth consecutive year. Project Shiksha helps underprivileged children thrive in school, providing educational support after their regular school hours. The effort began in 2008 with an educational center for just five children and one teacher. With the help of Hand-in-Hand donations, the center expanded in 2009-2011, and again in 2011-2013. Today, nearly 100 children receive after-school tutoring and nutritional support to keep them on target in class.

Most of the children’s parents are illiterate and cannot assist with homework. The dropout rate among these families runs high. But those in Project Shiksha are finding success at, and staying in, school. The program emphasizes language and math but includes homework help in all academic areas. Students also learn computer literacy, art, and general knowledge. They are encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities that enhance learning.

Four teachers tutor the current students in the expanded program, but the need for more assistance remains great. Because the wait list is long, DLF City Quota hopes to increase service to include 250 students in the next two years, requiring more space, more supplies, more food, and more teachers. One day, DLF City Quotarians hope to build a full-time school to replace the center. Donations cover food, vitamins, supplies, teacher salaries, and facility rent and go toward the school building fund. Hand-in-Hand World Service donations over many years will help many hundreds of children.

Vicki Grimes, World Service Committee Chair



## Upcoming Book Events for June

6/20/17	Lincoln Elem	12:00 PM
6/21/17	UNI-CUE	12:15 PM
6/28/17	First Baptist Church	12:00 PM
6/29/17	Becker Elem	11:30 AM



## 2017 Quota Scholarship Winners!



**Michele Dacy**



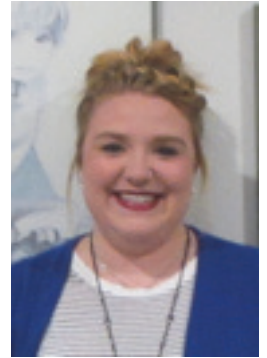
**Megan Lancaster**



**McKenzie Reuter**



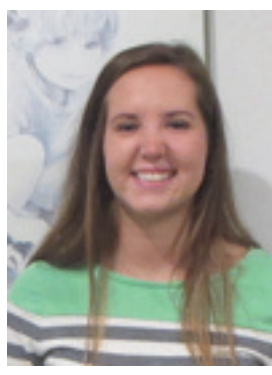
**Rachel Smith**



**Jordan Stierwalt**



**Laurel Bengford**



**Kendall Deitering**



**Joslyn Hicks**



**Alexa Klimes**



**Jacquelyn Knustrom**

This year our club awarded ten \$1,000 scholarships to ten students attending the University of Northern Iowa who are majoring in Communication Sciences & Disorders and are pursuing a career to become a Speech-Language Pathologist. All of the students have placed high academically through excellent grades (GPAs of 3.5 and above), show leadership skills, demonstrate good citizenship through involvement in many community/campus volunteer activities as well as having a positive attitude and strong work ethic. Financial need was also a consideration. This month let's meet the 5 graduate student winners:

**Michele Dacy** is a third semester graduate student (GPA: 3.98) who plans to work in a hospital or skilled nursing setting with adults who have neurological disorders and cognitive communication difficulties. She also hopes to pursue a doctorate degree with the goal of contributing to the existing research for this patient population. Michele lives in Waterloo.

**Megan Lancaster** is a first semester graduate student (GPA: 3.78) who aspires to work in a hospital setting with children age birth to five or in a rehabilitation center in a hospital with traumatic brain injured patients. She also hopes to eventually pursue a PhD in a field of speech-language pathology. Megan is an outstanding student with a great passion for multiculturalism. Her lifelong ambition is to give voice to persons and cultural groups who often are marginalized including the deaf population.

**McKenzie Reuter** is a second semester graduate student (GPA: 3.84) and one of the most resilient students. McKenzie continued to succeed during her treatment for Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis, an extremely rare cancer, that was very stressful, required numerous physician visits, and required her to miss time from her education. In spite of medical and financial hardships she never stopped working and has found a career path that truly fulfills her big heart and her passion for helping others.

**Rachel Smith** is a first semester graduate student (GPA: 3.65) who became interested in the field of communication disorders because she has a brother with Autism Spectrum Disorder. She shadowed SLPs throughout her undergraduate education and has developed a strong passion for helping others overcome their communication difficulties. Rachel is a first-generation college graduate and prides herself on being able to set an example for her younger family members. She overcame many obstacles throughout her academic and personal life. Rachel has a four-year-old daughter who encourages her to always do better in life.

**Jordan Stierwalt** is a second semester graduate student (GPA: 3.77) who came to UNI after graduating with her B.A. degree in Speech-Language Pathology from Florida State University. She is a graduate assistant in the department and has completed an educational internship at the Mayo Clinic. She is investigating potential cognitive changes in persons with ALS. Jordan is a busy single parent who is hard-working and has been unwilling to be conquered by life's hardships.