

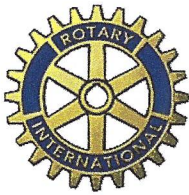
"The Ratchet"

Rotary Club of Ankeny



Club Information

Welcome to the Rotary Club of Ankeny!



Service Above Self

We meet Tuesdays at 11:45 AM
Ankeny Golf & Country Club
314 SW Irvinedale Dr.
Ankeny, IA 50023
United States
Email: nfburnham@gmail.com

 [District Site](#)

 [Venue Map](#)

Speakers

Nov 20, 2018

[Erin Port Simple Purposeful Living](#)

The World of Online Influencers and the Impact of Social Media Marketing on Your Business

Nov 20, 2018

["Evening" - Social](#)

Nov 27, 2018

[Aaron Houn](#)

Exchange Student to France last year

Nov 27, 2018

["Evening" - Rotarian Responsible - Kristofer Orth](#)

Dec 04, 2018

[Sgt. Kevin Killpack](#)

Human Trafficking

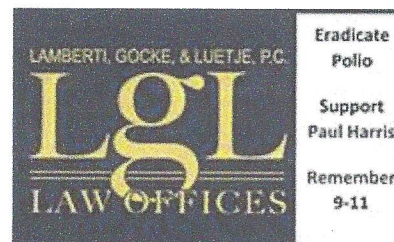
Dec 04, 2018

["Evening" - Serve meal at St. Joseph's](#)

Dec 11, 2018

[NO MEETING](#)

Sponsors



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Legs on Lease

Christmas Social Saturday Dec 8th

Dec 11, 2018

["Evening" - Christmas Social at Burnham's](#)

Dec 18, 2018

[Troy Petersen](#)

owner/founder of The ValorFit Foundation

Dec 25, 2018

[NO MEETING](#)

Jan 01, 2019

[NO MEETING](#)

Jan 08, 2019

[AT THE BRIDGES - Ken Gregersen](#)

Alzheimer's Association support group

Jan 15, 2019

[AT HYVEE DISTRIBUTION FACILITY](#)

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Upcoming Events

[2018 Rotary Christms Social](#)

The Fletcher

Dec 08, 2018

5:30 AM – 9:30 AM

[Monthly Board Meeting](#)

Wig & Pen

Dec 13, 2018 12:00 PM

[Friday Morning Coffee](#)

Cafe Diem

Dec 21, 2018 7:30 AM

[Monthly Board Meeting](#)

Wig & Pen

Jan 10, 2019 12:00 PM

[Friday Morning Coffee](#)

Cafe Diem

Jan 18, 2019 7:30 AM

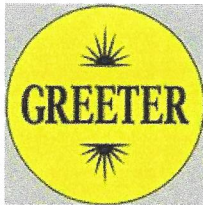


Articles

Happy Thanksgiving

Wishing you the happiness of good friends, the joy of a happy family, and the wonder of the holiday season. Have a memorable thanksgiving!

Rotary Meeting Greeter & Sheriff



The Rotarians that are scheduled to be the **"Greeter"** and **"Sheriff"** for the next several weeks are as follows:

11/20 - Trent Murphy

11/27 - Doug Parker

12/4 - Eric Pasanchin

12/11 - No Meeting - Christmas Social! - 12/8

12/18 - Kent Patterson

12/25 - **No Meeting - Merry Christmas!**

1/1 - **No Meeting - Happy New Year!**

1/8 - Jack Pennington

Ankeny Rotary Ring Day



The Rotary Club of Ankeny will be ringing the bell for our local Salvation Army again this holiday season. We will be ringing bells on **Saturday, December 15th at the North Ankeny Hy-Vee**, 410 N. Ankeny Blvd from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Ideally, we would like two people to sign up for each two hour shift. A sign up sheet will be available soon. You can sign up your spouse, child, co-worker, or a friend to work with you. Call **Anne Porter at 515-571-4213** with questions.

Rotary Christmas Social To Be December 8th



The 2018 Christmas Social for the Rotary Club of Ankeny will be held on Saturday, **December 8th** at **The Fletcher Full Service Restaurant & Bar**, 1802 N Ankeny Blvd. The evening will begin at 5:30 PM with a social hour followed by dinner at 6:30. The cost for members and guests is \$45 per person. You can sign up on-line or there will be a sing-up sheet at each Rotary meeting prior to the social.

Mary Cochran Named Rotarian of the Month for November



Mary Cochran assumed the responsibility of chairing the Services/Donations committee in January, 2017. Since then she has done an excellent job of presenting donation request to the Board and notifying the recipients of the action taken by the Board. In recognition of her efforts, President Digmann named her the **"Rotarian of the Month"** for November.

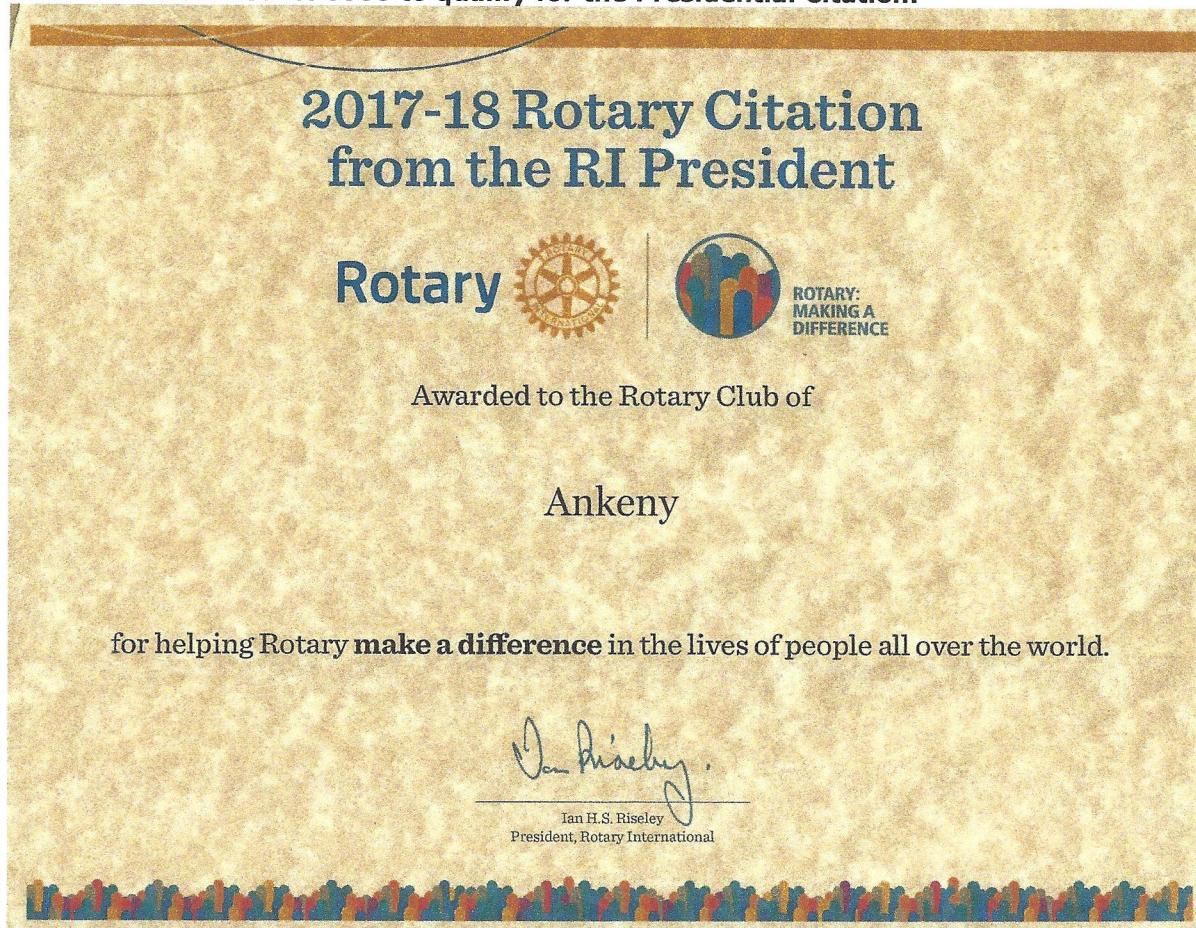
Ankeny Receives Presidential Citation



The Rotary Club of Ankeny has been awarded a Presidential Citation for 2017-18 from Rotary International President Ian Riseley. Since this Citation refers to the last Rotary year when Sally Schroeder was president, 2018-2019 President Ben Digmann presented the citation to Sally during the noon meeting on November 6th. This recognition is given to clubs that successfully achieve goals in the areas of Membership, Foundation Giving,

Online Tool Adoption, Humanitarian Service, New Generations and Public Image. The certificate reads: **"2017-2018 Rotary Citation from the RI President Awarded to the Rotary Club of Ankeny for helping Rotary make a difference in the lives of people all over the world."**

There are 65 clubs in District 6000. Ankeny was one of six clubs in the District to receive a Presidential Citation for last year. This is the third year in a row the Rotary Club of Ankeny has achieved this award. In 2015-2016 the club was one of only 3 in District 6000 to qualify. In 2016-2017, the Rotary Club of Ankeny was the only club of the 66 clubs in District 6000 to qualify for the Presidential Citation.



Proposed New Corporate Member - Testino Agency



The Board has approved an application from the **Testino Agency** to become a new corporate member of the Rotary Club of Ankeny. **Andrew (Andy) Testino**, and his twin brother **Nicholas (Nick) Testino** are co-owners of the agency. Andy will be the "Primary Designee" and Nick, **James Benda**, Licensed Sales Professional, and **Cory Johnson**, Licensed Sales Professional, will be "Secondary Designees". The Testino Agency is a new Allstate insurance agency in Ankeny. It is located at 110 N. Ankeny Blvd. Suite 700.

Comments regarding this proposed membership may be submitted to any Board member.

Project Fresh Start Receives Rotary Donation



Project Fresh Start is an Ankeny based volunteer program that has provided free school supplies, backpacks, prom dress and more to students for over a decade. In the fall, many Ankeny families are faced with a significant challenge, Iowa winters, but lack the funds to purchase winter coats, hats gloves, boots and snow pants. To assist these families Project Fresh Start has coordinated the receiving and distribution of winter clothing each year

since 2015. **Dave Kissinger, Project Fresh Start Chairman**, was in attendance at the noon Rotary meeting on November 6th to accept a check from the club for coats and snow pants. The total donation to Project Fresh Start from the club was **\$2,512**. \$1,512 was used to purchase winter coats and the other \$1,000 will be used to purchase snow pants.

Mercer and Reddy Recognized as Paul Harris Fellows



Foundation Chair Steve SchraderBachar recognized **Raj Reddy** as a new Paul Harris Fellow and **Dave Mercer** as a Paul Harris Fellow + 2 during the noon meeting on November 6th. ***Congratulations Dave and Raj!***

Luke Nelson Awarded Paul Harris Fellowship



Luke Nelson was a member of the Rotary Club of Ankeny for 5 years from June 2013 until July 2018 when he moved to South Carolina and joined the **Rotary Club of Fort Mill, South Carolina**.

Prior to Luke leaving Ankeny he qualified for a Paul Harris Fellowship but we were unable to present it to him before he moved. The certificate and pin were sent by UPS to the Foundation Chair for Fort Mill. There was some concern that these items may be lost since they were sent about the same time hurricane Florence ripped through the Carolinas and UPS could not find any tracking information on the package. Ultimately, the package was received and they had the items framed and their president, Patrick White, presented it to Luke.

Congratulations Luke!

Rotarians Dress Up for Halloween



Several Ankeny Rotarians came to the Rotary meeting on October 30th ready for **"Beggars' Night"**. The costumed Rotarians included Santa, Spiderman, a Spider lady, a monk, and a couple of show girls.

Thank You From Meals From the Heartland



The members of the Evening Ankeny Rotary Club packed 756 meals for Meals From The Heartland on August 30th. The club also donated \$100 to help cover the cost of shipping of the meals they packaged. In 2017, Meals From the Heartland distributed 20.5 million meals throughout the world. The following thank you was received from Susan Bunz, Executive Director of Meals From the Heartland:

THANK YOU! Two very powerful words that come from my heart. Your recent donation of \$100 along with the help of countless volunteers will allow us to package meals for hungry people here in Iowa, throughout the United States and around the world. With one decade of hunger fighting in our rear view mirror, we are now setting our sights on the years to come and we can't do what we do without the ongoing support of loyal donors. So again, **thank you** for being a *hunger fighter* we can continue to count on for your time, treasure, and talent.

Rotary Foundation Minute



We're so close to eradicating Polio. But to fully eradicate this deplorable disease we still need \$1.5 billion to finish the job. Why? Even if the last

case of polio is identified this year, a huge amount of work will remain to ensure that it stays **"GONE"**, which means vaccinating children for at least three more years. To ensure that polio is truly eradicated forever, it must be detected. This requires continuous surveillance that is complicated and costly. First doctors and community health workers must monitor children for acute flaccid paralysis and second is the process that involves local authorities collecting samples from sewage systems or in places that don't have adequate sanitation facilities, including rivers and bodies of water near a large group of residents.

In addition, large scale vaccinations are enormous undertakings that require money as well as thousands of volunteers on the ground and in places where the vaccination programs have been successful, the challenge is to locate and vaccinate that small percentage of children who have been missed. The vaccine itself isn't the biggest expense, it's the distribution of the vaccine - i.e. transportation and staffing. A vaccination campaign is almost mind-bogglingly complex. Rotarian's contributions pay for planning by technical experts, large-scale communication efforts to make people aware of the benefits of vaccinations and the dates of the campaign, plus support for volunteers to go door-to-door in large cities as well as in remote areas that may not appear on any map.

Yes, we are 99.9% there. Now is the hardest part and with your help our goal to eradicate polio will be accomplished and celebrated. Thank you for your support.

November Rotarian Birthdays



The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in November:

3rd - Steve Wieneke
4th - Nate Burnham
11th - Laura Luetje
12th - Jim Foreman
21st - Lowell Vine

25th - Jan Franck
25th - Del Mohler
26th - Kathy Sibbel

Rotary Club of Ankeny Guests



Special guests attending the Rotary Club of Ankeny's regular meetings during the past couple weeks have been:

Nov. 6th - Nicholas Testino, Testino Agency, Prospective new member
Nov. 6th - Andrew Testino, Testino Agency, Prospective new member
Nov. 6th - Ann Marie Habhab, Mill Pond, Speaker
Nov. 6th - Dave Kissinger, guest of Dave Mercer
Nov. 6th - Jason Duke, guest of Jacquelyn Duke, "Evening"
Nov. 6th - Willow Duke, guest of Jacquelyn Duke, "Evening"
Nov. 6th - Mia Duke, guest of Jacquelyn Duke, "Evening"
Nov. 13th - Andrew Testino, Testino Agency, Prospective new member
Nov. 13th - James Benda, Testino Agency, Prospective new member
Nov. 13th - Chris Knapp, District 6000 Foundation Chair, Speaker
Nov. 13th - Vernetta Knap, guest
Nov. 13th - Colleen Welch, guest of Gary Welch

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