



Service Above Self

# Rotary Club of Ankeny

## Ratchet

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Club Web Site

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### Future Speakers

**Mar 30 2010****Annette Vance***"Ankeny Art Center"***Apr 6 2010****Interact students***"Xicotepec, Mexico, trip report"***Apr 13 2010****Sandy Sanderson***"Life after the Ankeny Press Citizen"***Apr 20 2010****Elizabeth Buck***"Iowa Workforce Development"***Apr 27 2010****Jim Gocke****May 4 2010****Lt. General Ron Daris***"The Rebuild Iowa Program"***May 11 2010****Mark Giovannetti****May 18 2010****John Peterson***"What's New in Planning & Building in Ankeny"*

### Upcoming Events

**District 6000 Convention**

Apr 23 2010 - Apr 25 2010

**RI Convention**

Jun 20 2010 - Jun 23 2010

**2011 District 6000 Convention**

Apr 28 2011 - Apr 30 2011

### Teddy Bear Project Hits Home

*by Burnham, Nate*

After making his presentation on "100 years of Scouting" at our meeting on March 23rd, Todd Eipperle announced to the group that he has been called up to active duty by the Iowa National Guard.



The presentation of a Teddy Bear in the name of our speaker through the Iowa National Guard Officer's Auxillary really hit home with our club when as he received the certificate, he advised us that he will be activated on May 1 and will be working out of Camp Dodge assisting the Brigade in preparation for their deployment to Afganistan on August 1, 2010. He expects to be gone for one year.

### Greeters

*by Burnham, Nate*

The greeting schedule for the next several weeks is as follows:

**3/30 - Julie Cooper**

4/6 - Mary Cochran

4/13 - Tim Cox

4/20 - Teri Crist

4/27 - Jeff Damman

5/4 - Carmen Davis

5/11 - Marcy Davis

5/18 - Shar dunlap

5/25 - Todd Eipperle

### April Rotarian Birthdays

*by Burnham, Nate*

The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in April:

8th - John Lubundstrom

16th - Dean Lange

17th - Jeff Jarrett

17th - Mark Giovannetti

20th - Ron Bode

22nd - Julie Cooper

26th - Judy Hines

### Iowa Energy Fundraiser Final Report

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by *Burnham, Nate*

The Ankeny Rotary Club was one of 10 Des Moines area Rotary Clubs that participated in a fundraising effort with the Iowa Energy on January 23, 2010.

Rotarians were given the opportunity by the Iowa Energy to sell tickets to the game with a portion of the proceeds being donated to our Polio Plus effort. Also, fans had the opportunity to participate in a 50/50 raffle and contribute to the "End Polio Now" campaign by throwing money in a yellow bucket held by Rotarian Volunteers. The net proceeds to Polio Plus for the evening was \$7,543.58. This compares to about \$4,000 raised for the same event last year. **The Ankeny Club has received a check for \$238.48** for our share of the proceeds based on the number of tickets we purchased.

## Attendance at Rotary meetings

by *Burnham, Nate*

Each club sets it's own guidelines for membership but we should all keep in mind the Standard Rotary Club Constitution that specifies three conditions under which a Rotarian's membership will automatically be terminated for nonattendance.

These three conditions are: failure to attend or make up four consecutive club meetings, failure to attend or make up 60 percent of club meetings each six months, and failure to attend at least 30 percent of the meetings of one's own club in each six-month period. Under any of these three cases, a member could lose their Rotary membership unless the club board of directors consents to excuse the member for good reason.

It is recognized that it is not possible for most members to attend every meeting but the Ankeny Club offers many opportunities to receive credits for makeups by attending board meetings, attending committee meetings, online makeups, and participating in social events. The Ankeny club currently has 18 members with perfect attendance through the first three quarters of the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

As we begin the last quarter of the year, this would be a good time to check your attendance record to make sure you have been credited with all meetings you have attended and any makeups that you have earned. You can check your attendance by going to our web site and logging in. Then go to **My Attendance** in the **My ClubRunner** section. Please report any discrepancies to Nate Burnham. In the next couple weeks, Nate plans to contact those that are close to perfect attendance to let them know how many makeups they need to get to 100% before year end.