



Service Above Self

# Rotary Club of Ankeny

## Ratchet

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Club Web Site

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### Future Speakers

**Jan 11 2011**

**Roger Wolf, Director of Environmental Programs**

"Environmental Programs, IA soybean Assoc."

**Jan 18 2011**

**Club Assembly**

"Our Great Wine Event and Auction"

**Jan 25 2011**

**Steve Ackerson - Exec. Director Iowa Health Care**  
"Health Care Reform"

**Feb 1 2011**

**Craig Block**

**Feb 8 2011**

**Ankeny Chief of Police**

**Feb 15 2011**

**Terry Geiger**  
"District 6000 and Nigeria"

**Feb 22 2011**

**Heartland Technology Solutions**  
"microsoft office tips"

### Upcoming Events

**White Oaks Vineyards Fund Raiser**

Jan 22 2011

**2011 District 6000 Convention**

Apr 28 2011 - Apr 30 2011

**RI Convention - New Orleans**

May 21 2011 - May 25 2011

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### Fundriser Update

*by Burnham, Nate*

We now have approximately \$15,000 of auction items for our dinner/fundraiser on January 22, 2011 at White Oak Vineyards and the receipt of some additional items are anticipated. Since all items will be listed in an auction brochure which will be going to print next week, the final **deadline for submitting items is this Friday, January 14th.**

if you have not as yet picked up your tickets they will be available at this weeks Rotary meeting or you can get them from Julie Cooper or Nate Burnham. Tickets are \$25 each or a table of eight may be purchased for a total of \$160. Each active member will be expected to sell at least 4 tickets. To assist you, there is a donation letter, list of auction items, a flyer, and a press release available under the **"White Oak Vineyards Fundraiser - January 22, 2011"** tab under the **"Site Pages"** on the Home Page of our web site.

### Directions to White Oak Vineyards

*by Burnham, Nate*

To get to White Oak Vineyards from Ankeny, head North on I-35, take Exit 96 towards Elkhart/Polk City, turn right on NE 128th Ave and go 1.4 miles east, turn left on NE 38th St. and go 2.4 miles North, Continue onto NE White Oak Dr for 0.7 miles and arrive at 15065 NE White Oak Dr. White Oak's phone number is 515-367-7777.

### January Rotary Board Meeting

*by Burnham, Nate*

The January board meeting for the Ankeny Rotary Club will be:

When: **Thursday, January 13th**

Time: 12:00 Noon

Where: Wig N Pen, 2005 South Ankeny Blvd.

All members are welcome and it counts as a make-up.

### Fundraiser Committee Meeting

*by Burnham, Nate*

**There will be a short meeting of the Fundraising committee immediately after our regular meeting this week, Tuesday, January 11th.**

### Helen's Pajama Party - To Protect Women

*by Burnham, Nate*

More than a million women a year are victims of domestic abuse in the United States. Almost all who seek refuge at domestic violence shelters arrive with just the clothes on their backs. **"Helen's Pajama Party"** is a non-profit organization that collects new pajamas to give to shelters. The goal is to have a pair of new pajamas waiting for every women who enters a shelter.



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Unfortunately, every year this project needs approximately 500 pairs of pajamas just for the children and families for the Iowa Shelter in Des Moines, and roughly 2,500 more for the other Iowa Domestic Violence shelters. Because of the size of Des Moines, realistically, the drive here helps other shelters around the state.

The Ankeny Rotary Club will again, this year, be collecting pajamas. Please bring new pajamas with tags left on **to any Rotary meeting during January** or they can be dropped off at any Des Moines area Dahl's store. All sizes are needed but there is a particular need for **small, large, extra large and children's sizes**.

### Greeters

*by Burnham, Nate*

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

#### 1/11 - Cathy Spenceri

1/18 - Bill Sprague  
1/25 - Wade Steenhoek  
2/1 - Chuck Stewart  
2/8 - Pat Stilwill  
2/15 - Sandy Strong

### January Rotarian Birthdays

*by Burnham, Nate*

The following Ankeny Rotarians celebrate birthdays in January:

20th - Sally Schroeder  
25th - Justin Carlton  
27th - Jeff Damman  
28th - Roger Spahr  
31st - Jim Gocke



### Paul Hellwege "Guardian of Integrity Award"

*by Burnham, Nate*

The Paul Hellwege "Guardian of Integrity Award" will be presented annually at the District 6000 Convention beginning in 2011. It is named for Boone Rotarian and Past District Governor (1954-1955) Judge Paul E. Hellwege, who passed away in 2010, and is established to promote the ideals of ethics and integrity.

Nominations for this award are due by the end of January and may be made by any club in District 6000. The selection of the recipient will be made by the Guardian of Integrity Selection Committee from the individual Rotarians that have been nominated. Although there will only be one winner, a nomination by a club in and by itself is a significant recognition and should be treated as such. The nominee must have been a member for a minimum of three years and have exemplified the attributes and passion for ethics and integrity in his or her vocation, business and personal life that Paul exemplified.

If any Ankeny Rotarian has a recommendation for someone to nominate for this award, they should advise one of our board members prior to the January board meeting this Thursday.