



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Ankeny

Ratchet

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Club Web Site

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Future Speakers

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

Mark McDougal

"Ruth Harbor"

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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Jim Ramsey Assumes Treasurer Position

by [Burnham, Nate](#)

Due to a job change that has required Mark Giovanetti to travel out of town most weeks, he has resigned his position of Treasurer of the Ankeny Rotary Club.



At last week's Board meeting **Jim Ramsey** was elected to take over the Treasurer position and he has agreed to do so immediately. To make it more convenient for him, we will be moving our checking and savings accounts from First Natinal Bank to Northwest Bank.

Billings for the January - March quarter are scheduled to go out shortly after the fundraiser. If you choose to have ticket purchases and auction items added to your Rotary billing, these items will be on this bill.

Your billing will be sent by email but will have a new return address. It is Jim's address and is **911 N. Ankeny Blvd., Ankeny, IA 50023**. If someone other than yourself pays this bill, please be sure to have them **take note of this new address**.

Club Assembly - January 18th

by [Burnham, Nate](#)

Our meeting on Tuesday January 18th will be a Club Assembly with the majority of the meeting being dedicated to discussion regarding our fundraiser this Saturday night, January 22nd, at White Oak Vineyards. We also expect our auctioneer, **Scottt Andreas**, to be our guest.

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.

Welcome New Member Jen Walter

by [Burnham, Nate](#)



Jen Walter was inducted as a new member of the Ankeny Rotary Club on January 11, 2011. Jen is the Owner/Manager of Walnut Street Gallery at 301 SW Walnut Sreet in Ankeny. She is an active church member and a newly elected member of the Board of Directors for the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. She was proposed for membership by Terry Peter.

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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 woman who enters a shelter.

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:

1/18 - 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

