



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Ankeny

Ratchet

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Future Speakers

May 3 2011

[Jeff Chelesvig, President & CEO](#)

"Civic Center of Greater Des Moines"

May 10 2011

[Rob Meinders](#)

"State Plant Health Director, USDA, APHIS, PPQ"

May 17 2011

[Janette Larkin](#)

"The Animal Rescue League"

May 24 2011

[Teri Crist](#)

May 31 2011

[Jeff Damman](#)

Jun 7 2011

[Sally Dix](#)

"Susan G. Komen"

Jun 14 2011

[Justin Carleton](#)

Upcoming Events

RI Convention - New Orleans

May 21 2011 - May 25 2011

No Meeting

Jun 28 2011

Annual Meeting & Golf Outing

Jun 30 2011

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Programs for July 12 & 19

by Burnham, Nate

The Ankeny Rotary Club will need to find another place to meet on July 12 and July 19 since the Ankeny Golf & Country Club will not be available to us. Rather than to meet at another restaurant, this would be a great opportunity for an Ankeny Rotarian to show off their business by hosting our meeting. Or perhaps someone has an idea for a business or facility in the Ankeny area that we could visit or tour. The meal could be catered.

Let a board member know if you would like to host the meeting or have any other ideas for a meeting at an alternative location.

2011 Rotary District 6000 Conference a Great Success!!

by Burnham, Nate



The 2011 Rotary District 6000 Conference came to an end on Saturday night, April 30th, with everyone talking about its having been a great success and one that will be talked about for many years to come. District Governor Gary Welch and his Rotary Partner, Colleen, should be proud of the **"fun"** event they organized.

Thank you to the following Ankeny Rotarians for their part in planning and assisting with the conference. Sue Gibbons and Cathy Spencer for acting as conference co-chairs, Marcy Davis for coordinating the entire conference with the Courtyard by Marriott, Patty Hoffman for organizing and supervising the silent and live auctions, Nate Burnham and Sally Schroeder for conducting the golf outing, Julie Cooper for selling sponsorships and providing gift bags for the participants, Stev Van Oort for the "Opening Remarks" on Friday and Doug Beech for "Opening Remarks" on Saturday. Also, thank you to the other 33 Ankeny Rotarians that participated in the conference by either playing golf on Thursday or attending the luncheon on Friday.

Some of the highlights of the conference included:

- A sunny but breezy day for the golf outing
- The presentation by the **Group Study Exchange** team from New Zealand
- Flag ceremony by **Rotary Youth Exchange Students**
- **Simon Estes** singing **God Bless America**
- The performance by the **Simon Estes High School Choir** from South Africa
- RI Representative **Jennifer Jones'** keynote address - **"Telling"**



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the Rotary Story"

- **DCI crime** lab tour for spouses
- The presentation by Distrct 6000's New Zeland Outbound GSE team
- Packaging 10,000 meals for **Meals from the Heartland**
- Silent auction and desset auction generating \$5,078 for **Polio Plus** and **Rotary Youth Exchange**
- "The Minute to Win it" Games
- Performance by the **Ankeny Community Choir**
- **Gary Welch's** banquet

Ankeny Clean Up Days - Saturday May 14th

by Burnham, Nate

The annual Ankeny clean-up days will be **Saturday, May 14 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm** and **Sunday May 15 from noon to 4:00 pm** at the Prairie Ridge Aquatic Center, 1220 NW Prairie Ridge Drive. Rotary will again be able to collect donations during the clean-up days.



Rotarians are need to assist Ankeny residents with the unloading of their vehicles. Each shift will be for 2 hours. Since there is no regular meeting on Tuesday this week, a separate email with a sign up sheet will be sent. Please respond to that email when the times of when you are availabe to work. Contact Justin Carlton with questions.

The Ankeny Clean Up Days has become one of our signature events which has given the club significant visibility and a fund raising opportunity. Last year, we collected \$895.45 with the proceeds being donated to Polio Plus. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can make sure we have all shifts covered.

District Golf Outing

by Burnham, Nate



The Ankeny Rotry Club was well represented at the Distrct 6000 gol outing last week with 4 teams.

The team of Brad Botos, Tim Cox, Jim Gocke, and Damon Miller had the low score of the day with a 6 under par 65. The other Ankeny teams were: Justin Carlton, Carmen Davis, Dave Mercer and Kathy Sibbel: Nate Burnham, Terry Peter, Dan Cochran, and Tom Hoffman: and John Lundstrom, Roger Spahr, John Knox, and Frank Ince.

Also, Ankeny was well represented among the 6 pin prize winner. Dave Mercer had the "**Longest Drive in the Fairway**" on hole #8, Tom Hoffman made the "**Longest Putt**" on Hole #9 and Carmen Davis had the "**Longest Putt**" on Hole #18.

May Rotarian Birthdays

by Burnham, Nate

TRhe following Ankeny Rotarians will be celebrating birthday in May:

2nd - Sandra Strong



9th - Nathan Wahl
12th - Damon Miller

Greeters

by Burnham, Nate

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

5/3 - Ron Bode

5/10 - Troy Boelman

5/17 - Brad Botos

5/24 - Kevin Brooks

5/31 - Justin Carlton

6/7 - Mary Cochran