

Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Ankeny

Ratchet

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If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Future Speakers

Mar 6 2012

Jon Jamison

"Ankeny Uptown Association"

Mar 13 2012

Ashley Johnson-DRA
Properties-Damon Miller
"2012 Otter Creek Golf Course
Home Show"

Mar 20 2012

GSE Team From New
Zealand

Mar 27 2012

Rotarian Responsible-
Arthur Moeller

Apr 3 2012

Rotarian Responsible-Trent
Murphy

Apr 10 2012

Todd Eipperie
"My Experiences in Iraq"

Apr 17 2012

Rotarian Responsible-Doug
Ripley

Apr 24 2012

Club Assembly

May 1 2012

Matt Wendt
"Ankeny Superintendent of
Schools"

May 8 2012

Rotarian Responsible-Jody
Savage

May 15 2012

Rotarian Responsible-
Steve SchraderBachar

May 22 2012

Rotarian Responsible-Sally
Schroeder

May 29 2012

Welcome New Member - Jon Lowman

by Burnham, Nate

Jon Lowman was inducted as a new member of the Ankeny Rotary Club on February 28, 2012. Jon is transferring his Rotary membership from Nevada and is a Managing Broker with Hunsiker & Associates of Ankeny. He is being sponsored for membership by Tom Friedman.



Prospective New Member

by Burnham, Nate



Pat Timmons has requested to transfer her Rotary membership from the Rotary Club of Algona to the Rotary Club of Ankeny. Pat is a retired owner of McDonald's Restaurants. Julie Cooper will be her sponsor.

Comments regarding Pat's proposed membership may be submitted to any board member.

March Rotary Board Meeting

by Burnham, Nate

The March board meeting for the Rotary Club of Ankeny will be:

When: Thursday, March 8th

Time: 12:00 PM

Where: Wig N Pen, 2005 South Ankeny Blvd.

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



Rotary Greeters

by Burnham, Nate



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

3/6 - **Doug Ripley**

3/13 - Mike Rooney

3/20 - Jody Savage

3/27 - Steve SchraderBachar

4/3 - Sally Schroeder

4/10 - Kathy Sibbel

4/17 - Cathy Spenceri

4/24 - Bill Sprague

Curtis Dean
"Iowa Association of Municipal
Utilities "

Jun 5 2012
Rotarian Responsible-
Cathy Spenceri

Upcoming Events

GSE Team Reception
Mar 20 2012

**District 6000 Training
Assembly**
Mar 31 2012 - Mar 31 2012

District 6000 Conference
Apr 12 2012 - Apr 14 2012

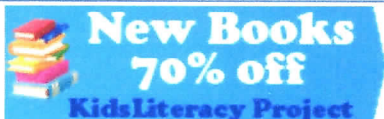
**2012 Rotary International
Convention in Bangkok**
May 6 2012 - May 9 2012

Annual Meeting & Golf Outing
Jun 14 2012

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Annual Meeting & Golf Outing - June 14th

by Burnham, Nate

The date has been set for our annual meeting and golf outing. It will be the evening of June 14, 2012 at the Ankeny Golf & Country Club. Registration will be available on line soon and more details will be provided later but put this date on your calendar and plan to attend.



Ankeny to Host New Zealand GSE Team March 20th

by Burnham, Nate



The District 6000 Group Study Exchange team from New Zealand will be in the Des Moines area from March 16-22. The Rotary Club of Ankeny will be responsible for hosting them on March 20th. They will present our program on this day and we will host them at a reception

that evening.

The reception will be from 5:30-7:00 at Valley Bank at 210 NE Delaware, Ankeny. So we know how much beer, wine, and appetizers to order, please let Denny Hanson or Gary Welch know if you plan to attend.

Help is needed in arranging vocational visits for the group. Their names and interests are as follows:

Damian Dixon - Agriculture, dairy or horticulture
Phillipa Bolton - Civil Engineer, project design
Nirav Shah - Portfolio Manager, financial planning
Duane Wells - Horticulture, orchards, cold storage
Laura McKenzie - Secondary school teacher
Warren Paterson, Team Leader - Educator, on line learning

Please contact Gary Welch if you have any ideas or can provide a vocational visit in any of these areas. We may also be in need of help with transportation. Let Gary know if you would be willing to help.

Annual District Assembly - March 31, 2012

by Burnham, Nate

The annual Rotary Training Assembly is the winter-time training session for club officers, all club board members, and other interested Rotarians to learn more about our wonderful organization, to plan for the coming year, refresh ourselves with the newest ideas and build friendships. Assembly is the official term for this annual training.

The District Training Assembly will be on Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the DMACC Newton Conference Center, 602 N. 2nd Avenue W, Newton, IA and will begin at 8:30 am. Our District Governor Elect will summarize the 2012-13 theme and goals and there will be sessions designed specifically for all areas of Club Developemnts. All club members and officers are welcome to attend. **To register for the District Assembly visit the district website.**

Meeting Sites needed for July 10 & July 24

by Burnham, Nate

The Ankeny Golf & Country Club has other events scheduled for July 10th



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and July 24th which gives us the opportunity to meet at a different location. If you have always wanted to give Ankeny Rotarians a tour of your business or have an idea for an alternative meeting location, please contact Dirk Westercamp.

Donation to Ankeny Service Center

by Burnham, Nate

One of the "**Paddle Raisers**" at the Rotary Round Up was to benefit the Ankeny Service Center. It brought in \$1,590 which was presented to Steve Gibbons, Executive Director of the Ankeny Service Center, at the February 28th meeting.



New Chef at Ankeny Golf & Country Club

by Burnham, Nate



The Ankeny Golf & Country Club has hired a new Chef. He is **Dino Sicanica**. Dino is a 2008 graduate of DMACC and has been the chef at Cozi Cucina's Italian Grill for the past 4 years. He has requested that we let him know if we have any requests or favorite food items and also if there is anything we do not like. Dessert anyone??

Big Brothers Big Sisters Speak to Club on February 28th

by Burnham, Nate

Megan Bradke, Membership & Marketing Coordinator, and Ashley Kruse, Events Coordinator, from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Iowa were speakers at our February 28th meeting. The mission of Big Brothers Big Sisters is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.



Additional volunteers are needed. If you would like to be a kid again yourself for four hours a month and join the thousands of other volunteers who say, "**I get back so much more than I give**", there is a sign up sheet at the secretary's table or visit www.bbbsia.org/volunteer for more information and to sign up.

March Rotarian Birthdays

by Burnham, Nate



The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in March:

- 7th - Andrew Larson
- 8th - Craig Block

- 9th Trent Murphy
- 11th - Kendall Sather
- 12th - Zane Smith
- 21st - Tropy Boelman