



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Ankeny

Ratchet

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Future Speakers

Nov 1 2011

Carl Metzger-Ankeny City Manager

Nov 8 2011

Foundation-Don Goring
"Past District Governor from Ames"

Nov 15 2011

Sarah Willeford
"Ankeny Library Director"

Nov 22 2011

Hamed Baig
"Islamic Center of Des Moines"

Nov 29 2011

No Meeting - Wicked

Dec 6 2011

Rotarian Responsible-Ken Kruger

Dec 13 2011

Rotarian Responsible-Tim Hawkins

Dec 20 2011

Rotarian Responsible-Andrew Larson

Dec 27 2011

Christmas Week-No Meeting

Upcoming Events

Dinner & Wicked

Dec 1 2011

Rotary Round Up

Feb 4 2012

District 6000 Conference

Apr 12 2012 - Apr 14 2012

2012 Rotary International Convention in Bangkok

May 6 2012 - May 9 2012

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Last Chance for Xmas Dinner & Wicked

by Burnham, Nate

If you have not registered for dinner at the Des Moines Savory Hotel and the show "Wicked" on Thursday December 1st at the Des Moines Civic Center, it is not too late but time is running out. Please contact Julie Cooper as soon as possible if you would still like to attend the dinner and show or just the dinner.



Also, for those that would like to complete their evening and avoid the traffic after the show, the Renaissance Des Moines Savory Hotel has held 5 king rooms for our group at the discounted rate of \$82.00 for the evening of our event. To reserve your room call 800-514-4706 and mention "**Ankeny Rotary**" to receive the discounted rate.

Battle of the Sexes Extended through November

by Burnham, Nate



The new member campaign, the "**Battle of the Sexes**", has been extended one month.

Since the goal of the "**Battle**" is to add to our membership, extending the competition to the end of November should allow everyone, both men and women, to invite more prospective members to attend a meeting and more applications for membership to be submitted. Take advantage of this extension to bring another prospect or two or more to Rotary.

November is Rotary Foundation Month

by Burnham, Nate

In recognition of November being Rotary Foundation month, our speaker on November 8th will be Don Goering, Past District Governor, 1998-99, and former chair of the District 6000 Rotary Foundation Committee. Don has received several awards including The Rotary Foundation Meritorious Award and the Rotary Foundation Regional Polio Service Award.



The Rotary Foundation provides financial support for a wide range of humanitarian and educational programs initiated by local clubs and districts around the world. The Foundation has earned a grade of A+ from the American Institute of Philanthropy, a top rating of four stars from Charity Navigator, and a full accreditation from the Wise Giving Alliance of the Better Business Bureau. Only 2.3% of Foundation funding goes to administrative expenses and 7.3% goes to fundraising. The Foundation focuses more than 90% of its spending on programs, far exceeding the threshold of 75% that independent charity rating services view as a

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measure of high efficiency.

The Ankeny Rotary Club currently has 40 members who are Paul Harris Fellows. A Paul Harris Fellow is someone who has contributed at least \$1,000 to the Foundation. Sixteen of our members are multiple Paul Harris Fellows. We also have 53 members who are Paul Harris Sustaining Members since they have committed to contribute at least \$100 to the Foundation each year. We only have eleven active members that are not Paul Harris Fellows or Sustaining Members. If you are one of the eleven, please consider becoming a Sustaining Member. Forms are available from Nate Burnham or Denny Hanson and the club will match your contributions until you become a Paul Harris Fellow.

Ankeny Service Center Receives Portion of Golf Ball Drop Proceeds

by Burnham, Nate



The Ankeny Rotary Club presented the **Ankeny Service Center** with a check for \$2,869.80 which represented 60% of the net proceeds from the **"Golf Ball Drop"** at this summer's Ankeny Summerfest. Tom Friedman, who chaired the committee, recently presented the check to Becky McKim, Office Manager, and Steve Gibbons, Executive Director, of the Ankeny Service Center and Beth Sexton, Chairman of the Ankeny Action Council.

November Rotary Board Meeting

by Burnham, Nate

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

When: **Thursday, November 10th**
Time: 12:00 Noon
Where: Wig N Pen, 2005 South Ankeny Blvd.



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

Ankeny Rotary 2012 Round Up

by Burnham, Nate



In an effort to **"brand"** the event, the committee for the 2012 fundraiser has chosen a western/barbeque theme and decided to name the event **"Rotary Round Up"**.

You should already have the date of February 4, 2012 on your calendar for the 2012 Rotary Round Up. This year's event will again include both silent and live auctions.

More information will be coming soon but it is not too early to start thinking about items to contribute to the auction.

Mike Rooney - Prospective New Member

by Burnham, Nate

Mike Rooney has been proposed for membership to the Ankeny Rotary Club by Dammon Miller. Mike is a Financial Advisor with the Royal Bank of Canada and is a member of the Ankeny School Board.

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

Ankeny Rotary Donates to Hew Horizon Adult Day Care

by Burnham, Nate

The Ankeny Rotary club presented Melissa Alexander and Vicki Engh from **New Horizon Adult Day Center** with a check for \$500 during the meeting on October 25th. This donation will go to the Center's **Rays of Hope Fund**.

New Horizons Adult Day Center opened in January 2000 to address the needs of weary care givers and persons with Alzheimer's disease and other neurological conditions. It provides health care monitoring supervision, therapeutic recreation transportation and social services to adults who have cognitive and/or physical challenges related to traumatic brain injury, stroke, and other neurological conditions or progressive diseases such as Alzheimer's disease.

Due to recent changes in Medicaid and the difficult financial times people are facing New Horizons realized the need to establish a way to allow past, present, and future participants the opportunity to attend despite their financial need. They do not want financial circumstances to prevent anyone from benefiting from the services they offer. This desire led to the establishment of the Rays of Hope Fund which provides this assistance and is supported by donations.

November Rotarian Birthdays

by Burnham, Nate

The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in November:



4th - Nate Burnham
8th - Kendall Kruger
20th - Chuck Gassmann
25th - Jan Franck
25th - Del Mohler
26th - Kathy Sibbel
27th - Bill Sprague

Greeters

by Burnham, Nate



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

11/1 - Bruce Kimpston
11/8 - Kendall Kruger
11/15 - Mark Land
11/22 - Andrew Larson
11/29 - No Meeting
12/6 - Mike Lydon
12/13 - Vikki Martin
12/20 - James Maxwell
12/27 - No Meeting