

Service Above Self

# Rotary Club of Ankeny

## Ratchet

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

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

### Future Speakers

**Sep 20 2011**  
District Governor

**Sep 27 2011**  
Becky Beech  
"USS Iowa, the "Big Stick"

**Nov 15 2011**  
Sarah Willeford  
"Ankeny Library Director"

### Upcoming Events

**DG Don Patterson official visit.**  
Sep 20 2011

**Ankeny Shred Day**  
Sep 24 2011

**Dinner & Wicked**  
Dec 1 2011

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### Welcome DG Don Patterson and Becky

by Burnham, Nate

District Governor Don Patterson and his Rotary Partner Becky, who is also a Rotarian, will be making their official visit to the Ankeny Rotary Club on September 20th.



Don joined Rotary in 1972 and was president of the Siloam Springs, Arkansas Club in 1999. He is now a member of the Washington, Iowa Club where he served as president in 2003-2004 and was named "Rotarian of the Year" in 2006. He served as an Assistant District Governor in 2006-2008 and in 2009 became a member of the District PolioPlus Challenge Committee. In 2009, Don became the District 6000 Governor Nominee Designee.

Don grew up in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, graduated from Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA and received his Masters of Hospital Administration Degree from the Medical Hospital of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia. His occupation in Hospital Administration has led him to reside in seven different states, direct nine different hospitals and be a member of five Rotary Clubs. Don is currently the Chief Executive Officer at the Washington County Hospital in Washington, Iowa.

Don and Becky were married in Beckley, West Virginia in 1969 and have three sons and five grandchildren. Becky is a registered nurse and is now working at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City. She became an "official" Rotarian in 2006 and was named "Rotarian of the Year" in 2011 by the Rotary Club of Washington, Iowa.

### Board to meet with DG Patterson at 10:30 AM

by Burnham, Nate

As part of his official visit, DG Don Paterson would like to meet with our Board of Directors at 10:30 at the Ankeny Golf & Counry Club prior to our regular meeting. All board members as well as any other inteeded members should plan to attend.

### Ankeny Rotary at "TASTE, Ankeny EXPERIENCE, Ankeny" Chamber Event - October 8th

by Burnham, Nate

The Ankeny Rotary Club has reserved a vendor booth at the **2011 TASTE, Ankeny EXPERIENCE, Ankeny** that is sponsored by the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. The event will be held at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny on Saturday, October 8 from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM.



The board decided to be a vendor at this event to promote Rotary and the service projects we support. Volunteers are needed to set-up and staff the booth. Please let Nate Burnham know if you can help. This could be a great way to make contact with some prospective new members. The club will receive two free admissions for those working in the booth. Tickets for the event are \$10 each and are available from committee members, on-

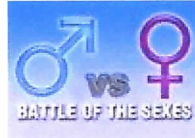


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line at [www.ankeny.org](http://www.ankeny.org) or at the Chamber office.

## Battle of the Sexes Update

by Burnham, Nate



After a slow start, the women jumped ahead of the men 6-5 after last week's meeting in the "Battle of the Sexes" - new member contest. Points are assigned to each team for guest/prospective new members and for each new member that joins the club by the end of October.

Whichever team totals the most points by the end of October will be served a steak lunch by the opposing team. Meanwhile the serving team will be serving themselves a delicious hot dog lunch.

## Darcy Shaw - Prospective New Member

by Burnham, Nate

Darcy Shaw, a Financial Services Representative with Principal Financial Group has been proposed for membership to the Ankeny Rotary Club by Mike O'Connor.

Comments regarding this proposed membership may be submitted to any board member.

## Greeters

by Burnham, Nate



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

9/20 - Jim Gocke  
9/27 - Patty Hoffman  
10/4 - Tim Hawkins  
10/11 - Brian Hoff

10/18 - Denny Hanson  
10/25 - Bob Hoksch  
11/1 - Bruce Kimpston

## September Rotarian Birthdays

by Burnham, Nate

The following Rotarians will be celebrating birthdays in September:

7th - Teri Crist  
7th - Tom Friedman  
7th - Mark Martin  
16th - Todd Wehr  
20th - Kevin Brooks  
29th - Tim Hawkins



## Wicked Update

by Burnham, Nate



We now have 75 people that are signed up for the Ankeny Rotary holiday dinner at the Des Moines Savory Hotel and 69 registered for the show "Wicked".

Additional tickets for the show are available but the sooner you sign up the better your seats. If you have not registered but would like to attend either the dinner or both the dinner and show, sign up on-line or contact Julie Cooper or Nate Burnham.