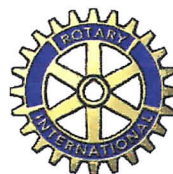




Rotary Club of Ankeny Ratchet

Tue Feb 19, 2013

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Service
Above Self

We meet
Tuesdays at
11:45 AM
Ankeny Golf &
Country Club
314 SW
Irvinedale Dr
Ankeny, IA
50023
United States



Venue
Map



Duty
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Speakers

Feb 19, 2013

[Mike Hohensee](#)
Head Coach for the Iowa
Barnstormers

Feb 26, 2013

[Dorothy Mathis](#)
Ankeny Writer's Group

Mar 05, 2013

[Eric Kohlsdorf, President of
Prisma Strategies](#)
The American Health Care /
Insurance System

Mar 12, 2013

[Brett Peterson](#)
Rotary Riverwalk Project

Mar 19, 2013

[Ben Hokschi](#)
"My Mississippi Dream
(Saltwater or Bust)"

Mar 26, 2013

[Richard Job](#)
"Agricultural Equipment
Technology"

Apr 02, 2013

[Rotarian Responsible - Bruce
Kimpston](#)

Apr 09, 2013

[Rotarian Responsible - Dan
Kitzinger](#)

Apr 16, 2013

Stories



3/26 - NO MEETING

Rotary Meeting Greeters

Posted by Nate Burnham on Nov 14, 2012

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

2/19 - Tom Friedman
2/26 - Chuck Gassman
3/5 - Jim Gocke
3/12 - Dennis Hanson
3/19 - Tim Hawkins



Help Needed for March 26th AMP Kick Off Event

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

The kickoff for AMP will be on **March 26th at Parkview Middle School**. The AMP committee is requesting help in preparing for this event. There will be a meeting **Wednesday, February 20th at Noon to 1 pm** at the Parks & Rec office in the Chamber building. They will have pizza, so plan to come brainstorm over your lunch hour. To make this event a success, help from as many people as possible is needed. Governor Brandstad has agreed to participate in this event and we want to present the Ankeny Market & Pavilion to our Community in the best manner possible!

An individual is needed to Chair this event, preferably someone who is detail oriented and has experience in event planning, as well as other individuals with other areas of expertise. These areas include: **Marketing & Communication**, we need to begin marketing the event ASAP with press releases and personal invitations to our donors; **Farmers Market Coordinator**, we would like to have our Farmers Market Vendors present with food; **MC**, a personality to "Run the Show"; Event Technician, screen, PowerPoint, sound system, etc.; **Location Coordinator**, the location will be at Parkview Middle school so we need someone to continue communication with the school as the event approaches; and **Promotional Items**, we would love to sell AMP t-shirts as a fundraiser at the event or other promotional items.

To enable as many Rotarians as possible to attend this event, **the noon and evening meetings on March 26th will be cancelled and all members are encouraged to attend the event**. More details will be provided as they become available.



Reception for Craig Block

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 18, 2013

Ankeny Rotarian Craig Block has been appointed to the position of Associate Probate Judge in Polk County. There will be a reception in his honor at the offices of Block, Lamberti & Gocke at 210 NE Delaware Ave. Suite 200 on Wednesday, February 27th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. All Ankeny Rotarians are invited to attend.



New Membership Drive

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 09, 2013

The membership committee has announced a new membership drive for the months of February and March, 2013. For every new member inducted by March 26th, the sponsoring Rotarian will have their quarterly dues waived. Look on the Chamber's website to get ideas for new members. Our last drive in the fall netted 5 new members. Remember all new members become a member of the Rotary Club of Ankeny but they will have their choice of attending our noon meeting or the Tuesday evening meeting. For more information contact Sally Schroeder or Ben Digmann.

[Final Numbers for Fundraiser](#)

Rotarian Responsible - Carl Koedam

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Club Events

District 6000 Conference
Honey Creek Resort State Park
Apr 11, 2013 - Apr 13, 2013

2014 Fundraiser
FFA Enrichment Center
Feb 01, 2014

Website Sponsors



Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

All the income has been counted and the bills paid for the **"Saturday Night Fever Fundraiser"**. After expenses of \$12,145, the net income was \$20,477 which is \$4,016 more than last year. Total income was as follows:

Ticket Sales	\$7,275
Donation	100
Silent Auction	7,612
Live Auction	12,475
AMP Paddle Raisers	1,290
Polio Plus Paddle Raiser	2,020
ASC Paddle Raiser	1,850
Total Income	\$32,622



Save the Date for the 2014 Fundraiser

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

At the board meeting last week, it was agreed the next fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Ankeny would be held on **February 1, 2014**. The FFA Enrichment Center has been reserved for this date.



Rotary Web Site Advertising

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

Have you considered placing an ad for your business on the Rotary Club of Ankeny's web site? Space is available! All ads appear on a rotational basis on the home page, down the right hand panel, on all sub pages, and on the left hand panel of the club bulletin that is emailed to all members and friends of the club. Ads will be 1/2 inch tall and are \$100 for a full year. The cost of the ad can be included in your next quarterly billing. The ad may be your company logo or a text based ad and will include a link to your website or email address. Contact Nate Burnham with questions or to complete an advertising contract.

The ISU logo/web ad is being renewed for another year. If there are any Iowa fans in the club that have enough pride in their school to sponsor the logo for the University of Iowa, they should also contact Nate Burnham



Rotary Club of Ankeny Guests

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 03, 2013

Special guests attending the Rotary Club of Ankeny regular meetings during the past couple weeks were:

Jan. 29th - Dustin Peterson, Guest of Trent Murphy & Prospective new

member

Feb. 5th - Stephanie Simonson - RYLA representative and member of Rotary Club of Johnston

Feb. 5th - Deb Malsom - Visiting Rotarian from Ames Noon Club

Feb. 5th - Lewis Todtz - Guest of Kevin Brooks

Feb 5th - Kerry Walter-Ashby - Representing the Ankeny Miracle League

Feb. 12th - Deb Malsom - Visiting Rotarian from Ames Noon Club

Feb. 12th - Ryan Edsen - (Evening Club) Visiting Rotarian from East Polk Club



Rotary Donates \$5,000 to Ankeny Miracle League

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

Kerry Walter-Ashby attended the February 5th noon Ankeny Rotary meeting to thank the club for its donation to the Ankeny Miracle League. The club has donated \$2,500 and has committed to donate an additional \$2,500 in July 2013.

The Ankeny Kiwanis Club and Ankeny Parks & Recreation have partnered to create and construct a Miracle Field & all-inclusive playground facility specifically designed for children with disabilities. The Miracle League Field and playground will be co-located in Hawkeye Park in Ankeny and will serve children with special needs and their families.

Rotary Dues are Due

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

All members of the Rotary Club of Ankeny should have received an invoice by email on January 7th for dues for the January-March 2013 quarter. As of



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this date, there are still 24 Ankeny Rotarians with total due of over \$5,000 that have not completed this payment. If you have not as yet completed this payment, please do so as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Ramsey.



Thank You From The Dictionary Project

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 11, 2013

A letter of thanks has been received from Mary Herd of "The Dictionary Project". It stated;

Thank you for your generous donation of \$1,428 to **The Dictionary Project** which we received in November 2012. Your support makes it possible for students to receive a dictionary for their own personal use that they will be able to use for a lifetime. For some children, this may be the very first book that they have owned. You are truly making a difference in their lives by giving them such an important gift.

Our goal is to reach every third grade student in the United States and you are helping us make this possible. So far this school year, we have reached an estimated 2,025,555 students. Cumulatively, since The Dictionary Project was founded by Mary French in 1995, we have been able to reach an estimated 19,295,569 students. **Of these, 5,160 have been sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ankeny since 2006.**



February Rotarian Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 03, 2013

The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in February:

2nd - Mike Goedeke
8th - Terry Peter

26th - Jody Savage
26th - Steve SchraderBachar



What Exactly is Polio?

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 16, 2013

Polio is:

- A crippling and potentially fatal infectious disease, polio (poliomyelitis) still strikes children mainly under the age of five in countries in Asia and Africa.
- Polio can cause paralysis and sometimes death. Because there is no cure for polio, the best protection is prevention. For as little as US\$.60 worth of vaccine, a child can be protected against this crippling disease for life.
- It can cause paralysis within hours, and polio paralysis is almost always irreversible.
- In the most severe cases, polio attacks the motor neurons of the brain stem, causing breathing difficulty or even death.
- Historically, polio has been the world's greatest cause of disability.

If polio isn't eradicated, the world will continue to live under the threat of the disease. More that 10 million children will be paralyzed in the next 40 years if the world fails to capitalize on its US\$9 billion global investment in eradication.

Rotarians provide many of the essentials needed for National Immunization Days (NID) In India, a single NID involves: 709,000 vaccination booths, 1.17 million vaccination teams, 225 million doses of the polio vaccine, 2 million vaccine carriers, 6.3 million ice packs to keep vaccines cold, 209 million homes visited, and 172 million children immunized.