



Rotary Club of Ankeny

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Tue Feb 05, 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
Roster



District
Site

Speakers

Feb 05, 2013

Gary Welch
RYLA Changes

Feb 12, 2013

Ruth Gassmann, Director of
Cardiac ReHab at Mercy
Cardiac Risk Factors.

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

Stories



3/12 - Dennis Hanson

Rotary Meeting Greeters

Posted by Nate Burnham on Nov 14, 2012

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

2/5 - Carl Koedam
2/12 - Jan Franck
2/19 - Tom Friedman
2/26 - Chuck Gassman
3/5 - Jim Gocke



Happy 40th Rotary Club of Ankeny

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 04, 2013

In 1968 Milt Aunan, a Rotarian from Bettendorf, Iowa, was transferred to Ankeny. Milt was contacted by a former District Governor about getting a Rotary Chapter started in Ankeny. In order to do this Milt had to get the approval from all the Rotary Clubs in the Greater Des Moines area. This took a little time but through Milt's persistence and help from the Northwest Rotary Club the approval was achieved in 1972 with a target starting date of September 16, 1972.

The first meeting was to be held at the Best Western Inn on East First Street and SE Delaware in Ankeny. The rules at that time, stated that for a new club to be formed you must have 26 people before a charter could be granted. The goal was reached quite easily with the help of the Northwest Rotary Club that was very supportive. The Northwest Club hosted a grand dinner for charter night, picking up the tab for the Ankeny members and spouses. A very special bond developed between the Ankeny Club and the Northwest Club because of all the support that was given along with many man-hours helping fine tune the Ankeny Club.

The Charter was granted 40 years ago on **January 19, 1973 with 29 Charter members**. The first officers of the Ankeny Rotary Club:

President - Milt Aunan,
Sr. Vice Pres - Gene Leedom
Secretary - Bruce Anderson
Treasurer - Mel Bauman

Happy 40th Anniversary Rotary Club of Ankeny!!



Saturday Night Fever Declared a Success

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 03, 2013

The third annual fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Ankeny is now history. The numbers are still preliminary but we can say it was a great success not only with the funds raised but with a good time being had by everyone attending.

Total income from the auction was \$25,191. This included \$12,475 from the live auction; \$7,556 from the silent auction; and \$5,160 for the three paddle raisers; \$1,290 for AMP; \$2,020 for Polio Plus; and \$1,850 for Ankeny Service Center. This is approximately \$3,000 more than last year. **Including ticket sales and after expenses we expect to net approximately \$20,000, also \$3,000 more than last year.**

Thanks to Pat Stillwill for chairing this year's fundraiser, and to everyone that served on a committee, donated auction items, sold tickets, bought tickets, attended the event, purchased items at the event, and to Denny Hanson for being our Master of Ceremonies.

Milt Aunan Recognized as Paul Harris Fellow Plus 1

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 04, 2013

Rotarian Responsible - Bruce Kimpston

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Directors

President
Teri Crist

President Elect
Dirk Westercamp

President Nominee
Julie Cooper

Club Secretary
Nate Burnham

Treasurer
James Ramsey

Rotary Foundation
Dennis Hanson

Membership Co-Chair
Benjamin Digmann

Membership Co-Chair
Sally Schroeder

Public Relations Co-Chair
Jody Savage

Public Relations Co-Chair
Ron Bode

Club Service Co-Chair
Sharlene Dunlap

Club Service Co-Chair
Steve SchraderBachar

Immediate Past President
Doug Beech

Club Administration
Nate Burnham

Social Co-Chair
Tim Cox

Club Events

Polio Plus Night at Iowa Energy
Wells Fargo Arena
Feb 09, 2013 07:00 PM

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

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The club was honored to have 3 of its charter members present at the **"Saturday Night Live"** fundraiser on February 2nd. They were **Milt Aunan, Mel Bauman and Gene Hill**. Milt, more than anyone else, was the driving force behind getting a club started in Ankeny. In addition, he was the club's first President, 1973-74, first Paul Harris Fellow in 1987, and first Rotarian of the Year in 1981. Mel was the club's first Treasurer. Gene served as President in 1978-79 and is a Paul Harris Fellow.

After all guests were recognized, Master of Ceremonies Denny Hanson and President Teri Crist advised Milt that the club had used recognition points to complete his second \$1,000 Paul Harris contribution. They then presented him with a pin containing one safire stone recognizing him a Paul Harris Fellow plus 1. **Congratulations and thank you, Milt.**



Shoes for South Africa

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 03, 2013

To kick off 2013, the Ankeny Evening Rotary Club has selected as their first service project to support District 6000 with the collection of shoes. Each club in District 6000 is being asked to donate as many pairs of new shoes as they have members in their club. These new shoes can be children's, adult's, men's, women's, any style, any size. The shoes will be gathered around the fireplace at the District 6000 Spring Conference being held at the Honey

Creek Resort in April. They will then be shipped to South Africa in support of the Blessman Ministries efforts.

Approximately, 35 pairs of shoes were collected at the Ankeny Rotary Fundraiser "Saturday Night Fever" on February 2. If you were unable to attend the fundraiser or would like to donate additional shoes, a box will be available at each Rotary meetings prior to the District Conference. A member of our club will deliver the shoes to the Conference. Thanks so much for your support of this very worthwhile project.



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



Early Registration Deadline for District 6000 Conference February 15th

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jan 28, 2013

The Rotary District 6000 Annual Conference will be Friday, April 12 through Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Honey Creek Resort on Lake Rathbun. The registration fee for the entire conference which includes all meetings and meals is \$140 if you **register by February 15th**. After the 15th, the fee is \$170. There will also be a pre-conference golf tournament on Thursday, April 11th. The early registration fee for golf alone is \$65, then goes to \$75. There

are also options for attending Friday or Saturday only or just Friday lunch. **Check the District 6000 web site for more information and to register.**



Polio Plus Night at the Iowa Energy

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 04, 2013

Ankeny Rotarians purchased 72 tickets to the February 9th Polio Plus night at the Iowa Energy. Sixteen of these tickets were donated back for the Energy for them to give to local children's charities. These ticket purchases will result in a refund to our club of \$576 which we will forward to Rotary International as part of the club's contribution to Polio Plus for this year.

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. 22nd - Trent Frohock, visiting Rotarain from East Polk
Jan. 29th - Dustin Peterson, Guest of Trent Murphy & Prospective new member

Special guests at the "Saturday Night Live" fundraiser included:

Honorable Senator Jack Whitver
Honorable Representative Kevin Koester and spouse, Linda



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Honorable Representative John Landon and spouse, Marvis
Rotary District Governor - Terry Geiger and spouse, Peggy
District Governor Nominee - John Ockenfel and spouse, Deb
Past District Governor - Susan Herrick and spouse, Bob
Past District Governor - Gary Welch and spouse, Colleen
President of Rotary Club of East Polk - Thomas Downs and spouse, Jane
President of Rotary Club of Greater Des Moines - Todd Wheeler and Fiancee, Joyce Whittle
Assistant District Governor - Steve Weineke and spouse, Pam
Cathy Obrecht representing Blessman Ministries
Jon Rosmann representing Wild for the Cause



Interact Club Donates to Animal Rescue League

Posted by Nate Burnham on Feb 04, 2013

Six lucky pets cuddled this winter in special blankets made and donated by the 25 members of Ankeny High Schools' Rotary Interact Club. Our club has sponsored the chapter for several years and this was one of 3 service projects and activities they completed this year, including Habitat for Humanity. Chapter sponsor Jane Lamfers, reports the club also made and donated 6 larger fringed-and-tied fleece blankets to Blank Children's Hospital for the sixth consecutive year.

In the picture, volunteer Laura from the Animal Rescue League accepts the fleece pet blankets from Interact president, Marci Lane, on January 15.