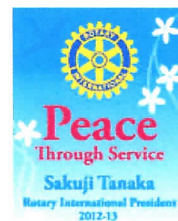


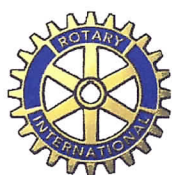


# Rotary Club of Ankeny Ratchet



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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  
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## Speakers

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[Eric Kohlsdorf, President of  
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Rotary Riverwalk Project

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Governor Terry Geiger](#)  
District 6000

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[Jeff Burkett, President of Iowa  
Firearms Coalitio](#)  
"Defending Your 2nd  
Amendment Rights In Iowa"

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

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Kimpston](#)

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["Evening Club" - Kerry Walter-  
Ashby](#)  
Ankeny Miracle Park

Apr 09, 2013

[Rotarian Responsible - Dan  
Kitzinger](#)

## Stories



4/9 - Rich Job

### Rotary Meeting Greeters

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 04, 2013

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

3/5 - Jim Gocke  
3/12 - Dennis Hanson  
3/19 - Tim Hawkins  
3/26 - Patty Hoffman  
4/2 - Bob Hokscho

### DG Terry Geiger to Talk to Evening Club on March 12th.

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 04, 2013



Due to the snow storm last week, District Governor Terry Geiger and Peggy Geiger were not able to make the trip to Ankeny to make his presentation to the Evening Club. His visit has been **rescheduled for Tuesday, March 12th**. The meeting will begin at 5:45 with Terry's presentation beginning at 6:00 at the Wig & Pen in Ankeny. All members of the noon club are invited to attend and will receive a make up if they do!!

### RYLA Scholarships Available

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 04, 2013

At the February board meeting, the Rotary Club of Ankeny approved funding to send up to 5 students to the six day **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards** camp. The camp will be Sunday, July 7 through Friday, July 12, 2013 at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa. RYLA is a life-changing [leadership training program](#) for young men and women where leadership skills and principles are learned, developed and enhanced in an atmosphere of trust and respect. The purpose of RYLA is to encourage and assist current and potential youth leaders in methods of responsible and effective leadership. Many past RYLA'ians from around the country have said, "It was the best week of my life!"

**Any high school sophomore or junior (classes of 2015 and 2014, respectively) may apply to attend RYLA.** Generally, applicants selected have excelled in one or more areas of high school involvement and have potential or proven leadership experience. Applicants must be able to stay for all 6 days of the conference. The deadline for [applying](#) is April 30th. For more information contact Patty Hoffman or Gary Welch.

### AMP Kickoff Delayed

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 03, 2013

It was previously announced the kickoff for the Ankeny Market & Pavillion would be March 26th at Parkview Middle School and our Rotary meeting for that day would be cancelled. **The AMP committee has made the decision to delay this event until May.** More information will be provided later and Rotary will meet as usual on 26th of March.



### March Rotary Board Meeting

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 03, 2013

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

When: Thursday, March 14th  
Time: 12:00 PM

Where: Wig N Pen, 2005 South Ankeny Blvd.

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



### March Rotarian Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 03, 2013



Apr 16, 2013

[Rotarian Responsible - Carl Koedam](#)

Apr 23, 2013

[Ashley Johnson - DRA Properties](#)  
[Prairie Trail Update](#)

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["Evening Club" - Jon Bouslog & Phil Hodgkin](#)  
[Rotary Riverwalk Project](#)

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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

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 - Troy Boelman

### [Donation to Ankeny Family YPartners Campaign](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 03, 2013



The Rotary Club of Ankeny presented Kraig Vry, Executive Director of the Ankeny Family YMCA with a check for \$1,000 at the February 19th meeting. Also, present were Ankeny Rotarians and YMCA Board members Doug Ripley, Tom Friedman, and Kathy Sibbel.

The Ankeny Family YMCA impacts children, individuals and families on a daily basis, due to the generous support from the Ankeny community. As a community organization, the Ankeny Family YMCA believes in the importance of being a cause driven organization and they recognize for communities to succeed, everyone must be given the opportunity to be healthy, confident, connected and secure. In 2012, the Ankeny Family YMCA provided 2801 individuals with financial assistance through membership, child care and programs. As our community grows so has the need for scholarship assistance which is why continued support is needed.

100% of the contributions raised for YPartners will be used to support the needs of the Ankeny community. The donation from the Rotary Club of Ankeny is a President's club level donation and will fund a full summer of programs for one child so he can learn to interact with a diverse group of kids.

### [Thank You From Ankeny Service Center](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 03, 2013



Dear Rotarians,

Thank you for your recent donation of \$1,850 to the Emergency Food Program at the Ankeny Service Center. I was glad that I could be at last week's Rotary Club meeting to accept the check along with three of our board members who are also Rotarians. Through the Emergency Food Program, we provide grocery store gift cards to families and individuals in need. Many of the people requesting cards already receive assistance through the local food pantry and use the grocery cards to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products and eggs.

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, we provided assistance to 92 individuals in the amount of \$895. In the first 7 months of this year we have served 130 people and provided them with \$1,465 in gift cards. We have been able to meet the increased demand for this service through generous donations made by the Ankeny Rotary Club and other local organizations.

Thank you again for all you do for the Ankeny Service Center. If I can answer any questions or you would like to discuss what we have to offer, please feel free to contact me. Thank you,

Steve Gibbons - Executive Director, The Ankeny Service Center at Neveln

### [Famous Rotarians Worldwide](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 04, 2013

Do you know what the following people have in common? They all are or were Rotarians!!

John F Kennedy, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Konrad Adenauer (former German Chancellor), Neil Armstrong, Angela Merkel (German Chancellor), Nicolas Sarkozy (French President), Margaret Thatcher (Former British Prime Minister), Lance Armstrong, Walt Disney, Bill Gates, Ronald Reagan, George W. Bush, Richard Nixon, Rainier III (Prince of Monaco), Hassan II (King of Morocco), and Asif Ali Zardari (Pakistan's head of state).

### [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:**

Feb. 19th - Mike Hohensee, Head Coach of Iowa Barnstormers - Speaker & guest of

Jim Gocke

Feb 19th - John Pettit, General Manager of Iowa Barnstormers - Speaker & guest of Jim Gocke

Feb. 19th - Deb Malsom - Visiting Rotarian from Ames Noon Club

Feb. 19th - Brent Oellette, Ankeny Funeral Home & Crematory - Guest of Sally Schroeder & prospective new member

Feb. 19th - Carol Meyer, Polio Survivor & Inspirational Speaker - Speaker at Evening Club

Feb. 19th - Chuck Meyer, Guest at Evening Club and husband of speaker

Feb. 26th - Dorothy Mathis, Ankeny Writer's Group - Speaker & guest of Patty Hoffman

Feb. 26th - Steve Gibbons, Executive Director of Ankeny Service Center - Guest of Sue Gibbons



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Feb. 26th - Gabe Glynn - Guest of Julie Cooper  
Feb. 26th - Corrine Lambert - Visiting Rotarian from East Polk



### Rotary Celebrates 108th Anniversary

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 03, 2013

Rotary's 108th anniversary on February 23, 2013 marked a year of both achievements in the fight to eradicate polio and a stepped-up commitment to finish the job.

Worldwide, 222 polio cases were reported in 2012, a little more than one-third of the 650 cases reported in 2011. India marked its second year without polio on January 13, 2013. Overall, the annual incidence of polio has decreased more than 99% since the Global Polio Eradication Initiative was launched in 1988. At that time, polio was infecting about 350,000 children per year.

Although the wild poliovirus is now endemic only in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Nigeria, it could spread from there back to other countries. Among Rotary's chief responsibilities in the eradication initiative is advocacy, an increasingly important element on this latter stage of the effort. In addition to contributing more than \$1 billion to the GPEI, Rotary has helped secure over \$9 billion from donor governments since the initiative began in 1988. Rotary is boosting its advocacy work in the 200 countries and regions where Rotary clubs exist to encourage every national government to help meet a \$700 million shortfall (as of February 1st) in funding the GPEI through 2013.