

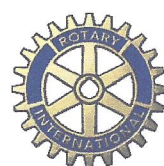


Rotary Club of Ankeny

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Tue Apr 15, 2014

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**Service
Above Self**

We meet
Tuesdays at
11:45 AM at
AG&CC & 5:45
PM at Wig &
Pen
Ankeny Golf &
Country Club
314 SW
Irvinedale Dr.
Ankeny, IA
50023
United States

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Climate Change

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FTC Robotics Team

Apr 29, 2014
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Coordinator Grand View](#)
Athletic Success

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Kiesling](#)
Amanda The Panda

May 13, 2014
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Prairie Meadows
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Stories



Happy Tax Day!!!!!!

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 14, 2014

Hopefully everyone has filed their federal income taxes by now, beat the April 15th deadline, and can now relax for another year. If you haven't filed yet, you better hurry!!!!



Rotary Meeting Greeter and Sheriff

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2013

The Rotarians that are scheduled to be the **"Greeter"** and **"Sheriff"** for the next several weeks are as follows:

4/15 - Dick Marshall
4/22 - Dave Mercer

4/29 - Mark Miller
5/6 - Damon Miller
5/13 - Art Moeller
5/20 - Del Mohler
5/27 - Trent Murphy



Registrations For Iowa RYLA Closes April 30th

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 14, 2014

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) 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 RYLarians from around the country have said, **"It was the best week of my life!"**

Iowa RYLA includes Rotary Districts 5970 and 6000. It will be held July 13-18, 2014 at Grinnell College. 188 students from 95% of the clubs in our district are expected to attend. High school sophomores and juniors (classes of 2016 and 2015) may apply to attend RYLA. Generally, applicants selected have excelled in one or more areas of high school involvement, have proven leadership experience or have shown leadership potential. Applicants must be able to stay for all 6 days of the conference from 3:00 PM, Sunday, July 13th to noon, Friday, July 18th. If you know of someone that fits this description, encourage them to apply before the deadline of April 30th. For more information, contact Gary Welch or Patty Hoffman.

Prospective New Member John Colyer

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 10, 2014

A new application for membership to the Rotary Club of Ankeny has been received from John Colyer. John is the Lead Pastor at Ankeny Free Church and was previously a member of the Rotary Club of Ankeny from 2003 to 2008. He is being sponsored for membership by Gary Welch.

Comments regarding John's proposed membership may be submitted to any Board member.



2014 Ankeny Clean Up Days

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 14, 2014

May 13, 2014
"Evening" - Plant Flowers in
Sunrise Park Flower

May 20, 2014
Rotarian Responsible - Chuck
Gassmann

May 27, 2014
Rotarian Responsible - Jim
Gocke

Jun 03, 2014
Rotarian Responsible - Tim
Hawkins

Jun 10, 2014
Rotarian Responsible - Patty
Hoffman

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Denny Hanson

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Nate Burnham

Treasurer

The Rotary Club of Ankeny will again be helping with "**Ankeny Clean Up Days**" which will be **Saturday, May 17th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm** and **Sunday May 18th from noon to 4:00 pm** at the Prairie Ridge Aquatic Center, 1220 NW Prairie Ridge Drive. Rotarians are needed to assist Ankeny residents with the unloading of their vehicles and to collect donations. Last year, these donations totaled \$2,343.14 which was more than double what was donated in 2012. These funds were then donated by our club to the Polio Plus campaign.

Each shift will be 2 hours. Please sign up at this week's meeting or send an email to Justin Carlton, justin@e-carleton.com, to tell him when you are available to work. Ankeny Clean Up Days has become one of our signature events which has given the club significant visibility and a fund raising opportunity. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can make sure we have all shifts covered.



Golf Outing & Annual Meeting June 26, 2014

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 14, 2014

The date has been set for the annual "Rotary Club of Ankeny Golf Outing & Annual Meeting". It will be a similar format as in past years with golf for those that wish to participate followed by dinner. It will be on **Thursday, June 26th at the Ankeny Golf & Country Club**. There will be no noon or evening meeting on Tuesday, June 24th. More details will be available soon but put this date on your calendar and plan to attend.



Vote On New By-Laws April 29th

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 14, 2014

The By-Laws for the Rotary Club of Ankeny have not been amended since the club was chartered in 1973. Each member was sent a draft of revised By-Laws by email on February 27, 2014. The comments received were considered and incorporated into the By-Laws and this revised document was approved by the Board at its regular meeting on April 10, 2014.

To complete the implementation of the revised By-Laws, a two-thirds vote of the membership, at a regular club meeting, where a quorum of members is present is required. It is required that written notice be given to each member at least 10 days prior to the regular club meeting when the vote to change the By-laws will take place. **All members should be receiving written notice of this meeting which will take place at its regular noon meeting at the Ankeny Golf & Country Club, on April 29, 2014.**



Are You Wearing Your Rotary Pin?

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 14, 2014

Each Rotarian was given a pin on the day they were inducted into the Ankeny Rotary Club and was encouraged to wear it proudly. **Do you wear your's to every club meeting and event? Do you wear it every day?** Your board of directors would like to encourage you to wear your Rotary pin every day. If you have misplaced your pin, you may get another one, at no cost, from Nate Burnham.

The first lapel pin in Rotary history was created in 1909 for the Rotary Club of New York. But it was not given to every member, just the president. Remember what Past RI President Bob Barth said about pins. He said, "A Rotary pin should say this about the wearer: **'You can rely on me, I am dependable, I am reliable, I give more than I take, and I am available.'** I can't think of a better reason to wear it at all time."



Rotary Donates \$1,080 to AMP

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 13, 2014

On April 1st, members of the Ankeny Market & Pavilion accepted a check in the amount of \$1,080 for President Dirk Westercamp. This donation represented the proceeds from the paddle raiser at the 2014 fundraiser.



Ankeny Service Center Receives \$1,780

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 13, 2014

The Ankeny Service Center has been chosen as one of the three paddle raisers for the Rotary Club of Ankeny's fundraiser in each of the past three years. This year the amount raised was \$1,780. At the noon meeting on April 1st, Steve Gibbons, Executive Director of the

James Ramsey

Rotary Foundation
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Membership Co-Chair
Sally Schroeder

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Jody Savage

Public Relations Co-Chair
Ron Bode

Club Service Co-Chair
Sharlene Dunlap

Youth Services
Gary Welch

Immediate Past President
Teri Crist

Club Events

**2014 Rotary District 6000
Annual Conference**
Gateway Hotel & Conference
Center
May 01, 2014 - May 03, 2014

Ankeny Clean Up Days
May 17, 2014 - May 18, 2014

2014 RI Convention
Sidney
Jun 01, 2014 - Jun 04, 2014

**2014 Golf Outing & Annual
Meeting**
Ankeny Golf & Country Club
Jun 26, 2014 05:00 AM - 10:00
PM

2015 Rotary Fundraiser
FFA Enrichment Center
Mar 07, 2015

ASC, received a check for this year's donation. This makes the total donated during the past three years \$5,220.



Rotary Club of Ankeny Guests

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 20, 2013

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

April 1st - Caitlyn Lines, Fareway Stores, Speaker
April 1st - Monica Wilke-Brown, visiting Rotarian from Des Moines Downtown
April 1st - Steve Gibbons, Executive Director Ankeny Service Center
April 1st - John Coyler, Guest of Gary Welch
April 8th - Rachel Digmann, Clinical Pharmacy Specialists, Speaker
April 8th - Andrew Pulp, visiting Rotarian from Ames Noon
April 8th - John Coyler, Prospective new member
April 8th - Meredith Eaton, guest of Kristofer Orth, "Evening"



April Rotarian Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 27, 2014

The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays during April:

1st - Jeff Smith
19th - Denny Hanson
20th - Ron Bode

22nd - Julie Cooper

Sign Up For District Conference Friday Lunch

Posted by Nate Burnham on Mar 30, 2014

All Rotarians are encouraged to attend the Friday luncheon at the District 6000 Conference in Ames on May 2nd. The luncheon will begin at 11:30 and the key note speaker will be Rotary International Vice President Anne Matthews. If you would like to attend, you must register prior to April 27th. You can register by going on line to the District web site or let Nate Burnham know and he will get you registered. The cost of the lunch will be paid by the club.

Anne L. Matthews is a member of the Rotary Club of Columbia East, South Carolina. She is the first female vice president of Rotary International and began her term on July 1, 2013. Matthews has served Rotary in numerous capacities. In addition to her service as trustee and director, she has been a regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, RI president's representative, lead seminar trainer for the International Assembly, Future Vision Committee member, RI training leader, and district governor. She is a recipient of Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. Matthews is a Rotary Foundation Benefactor, Bequest Society member, Major Donor, and Paul Harris Society member.



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