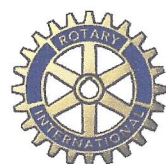


Rotary Club of Ankeny Ratchet



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Tuesdays at
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Ankeny Golf &
Country Club
314 SW
Irvinedale Dr.
Ankeny, IA
50023
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Speakers

May 20, 2014
[Rich Job](#)
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Inspired Guided Motion

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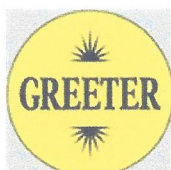
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Red Rock Area Community Action Prog

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Children's Cancer Coalition

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Jun 17, 2014
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Overview of Roundabouts

Stories



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:

5/20 - Del Mohler
5/27 - Trent Murphy
6/3 - Luke Nelson
6/10 - Mike O'Connor
6/17 - Jack Pennington
6/14 - No Meeting

SignUp for Annual Meeting & Golf Outing

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 15, 2014



The annual golf outing followed by the annual meeting of the Rotary Club of Ankeny will be held at the Ankeny Golf & Country Club on Thursday, June 26th. The golf will be a four person best shot (golfers may designate their foursome or sign up individually and you will be assigned to a team) designed to be a fun oriented event with no skill required. **Serious golfers are not allowed to play with us!**

Check in will be 5:00-5:30 pm with a shotgun start at 5:30 pm. Dinner will follow the golf at approximately 8:00 pm. The cost will be \$20 per person for golf. There is no additional charge for dinner for members and one guest. Additional guests are \$10 each for dinner. Golf sponsorships are available at \$50 each and donations of golf prizes are welcome. Registration is now available on line. When registering, please indicate the name of your guest(s) if any, and if you and/or your guest will golf. For more information or to sponsor a hole, contact Tim Cox.

Host Needed for July 15th Noon Meeting

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 15, 2014

Here is your chance to show off your business to your fellow Rotarians. The Rotary Club of Ankeny will not be able to meet at the Ankeny Golf & Country Club on **July 15th** due to another scheduled event at the club. If you would like to host the club at your business or have a suggestion for another location for us to meet, let President Westercamp know.



\$1,880.30 in Donations From Ankeny Clean Up Days

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 18, 2014

Thank you to everyone that helped with Ankeny Clean Up Days and to Justin Carlton for coordinating this project. **Donations totaled \$1,880.30** which is less than last year but more than every other year.

Jun 24, 2014
[No Meeting](#)
 Annual Meeting on June 26th

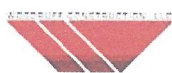
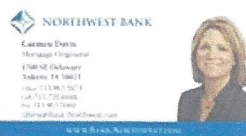
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[Jessica Jensen](#)
 USA Exchange Student to Italy

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[AMP Groundbreaking Well Attended](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 18, 2014

The groundbreaking for the Ankeny Market & Pavilion was held Saturday morning, May 17th at the location of the south pavilion with about 200 people in attendance. Rotarians Terry Peter, AMP Committee Chariman, and Doug Beech, Fundraising Chairman, addressed the crowd along with Mayor Gary Lorenz. Then the major donors turned the first spadefules of dirt.



[Golfball Drop Tickets Available Soon](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 19, 2014

The Rotary Club of Ankeny will again this year be selling golfball drop tickets at Ankeny Summerfest. **Monsanto** has agreed to provide \$2,000 for prize money and Leaning Tower of Pizza will have a \$3.00 off coupon on each ticket. Also, Steve SchraderBachar and Wintrust Mortgage plans to donate the cost of the booth. A change this year is the board has approved inviting other service clubs in Ankeny to help sell tickets. They will receive 30% of their ticket sales with the Ankeny Service Center receiving the other 70%. Rotary would still receive 40% of all their sales, after expenses, with the Service Center receiving 60%. There will also be a challenge with the club selling the most tickets, per member, having the opportunity to have a member of their club go up the ladder to help drop the balls. Tickets should be available soon.



[Jane Lamfers Recognized for Interact Leadership](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 16, 2014

On May 6th, Jane Lamfers was honored at the noon meeting for being the sponsor of the Interact Club for the past eight years. She was presented with a plaque stating "***In Recognition for Outstanding Dedication and Service to the Interact Club of Ankeny High School 2005-2013***" a "***Peace Pole***" and a ***Paul Harris Fellowship***. Jane has been the sponsor of the Ankeny Interact Club since 2005.



["Our Shared Humanity" by Naomi Tutu](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 16, 2014

The Rotary Club of Des Moines AM will be hosting a special multi-club event exclusively for Central Iowa Rotarians and guests on Friday, June 20, 2014. The presentation will be by Naomi Tutu the third child of Archbishop Desmond Tutu. The event will be held at the Olmstead Center on the Drake University campus with registration and a continental breakfast beginning at 7:15 AM and the program beginning at 8:00 AM. There will also be a book signing by Ms. Tutu at 9:30 AM. Naomi will be speaking on "Our Shared Humanity".

The proceeds from this event will be donated to Polio Plus and the Food Bank of Iowa/Outreach Inc. Tickets for the event are \$15 each but the Rotary Club of Ankeny has purchased 10 tickets for its members. If you would like to attend contact Nate Burnham to get you name on the list.

Naomi was born in South Africa and has lived in many countries and communities. She was educated in Swaziland, the United States and England. She has divided her adult life between South Africa and the US. Having grown up the daughter of Desmond Tutu, Naomi has had many opportunities and challenges. Most important of these has been the challenge to follow her own path and role in building a better world..



[AMP Receives \\$100,000 from Prairie Meadows](#)

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 16, 2014

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Club Events

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
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Gina Rooney, Grants Manager for Prairie Meadows was our guest speaker on May 13th. After her presentation, she presented a check in the amount of \$100,000 for a "Legacy Grant Award" to go towards the Ankeny Market and Pavilion project.



Brooks Purchases Iowa Corn Indy 300 Package

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 15, 2014

Our speaker at the noon Rotary meeting on May 6, 2014 was Shannon Textor, Director of Market Development for the Iowa Corn Growers. After making her presentation, Damon Miller auctioned off a package for four guests to attend the **"Iowa Corn Indy 300 Speedway Package"**. After raising his own bid to \$300, Kevin Brooks was the winning bidder. The proceeds will be donated to the Rotary Club of Ankeny by the sponsors of the event, the Iowa Corn Growers and the Iowa Corn Promotion Board.



Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Winners

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 19, 2014

The Rotary Club of Ankeny presented two \$500 scholarship last week. One went to Kendall Smart a graduating senior at Ankeny High School and the other to Maggie Mixdorf from Ankeny Centennial. Thank you to Sally Schroeder and Doug Beech for representing The Rotary Club of Ankeny in these presentations.

A thank you letter has already been received from Kendall Smart. It read:

I am writing to share my thanks with you and the Rotary Club of Ankeny for funding the \$500 Dollars for Scholars Scholarship I received. I am deeply appreciative and excited to have money to add to my college fund. My late grandfather was a Rotary Club member in Madison, Wisconsin. I know he would be proud that I was selected as the recipient of this scholarship.

At the University of Texas I plan to study at the McCombs School of Business. I am currently undecided on a major, but would like to someday own my own business. Because of this scholarship, it will be easier for me to achieve my academic and career goals. Continuing to volunteer is another goal that is important to me. This week I am coordinating an Ankeny United Against Hunger food drive during the very first high school soccer games between Ankeny High School and Ankeny Centennial High School. I look forward to continuing my involvement in community service while at the University of Texas.

Thank you so very much for this generous scholarship. Your donation will not be put to waste and I will work hard to reach my goals.



Silvia Places High in French Exam

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 16, 2014

Several Ankeny High School and Ankeny Centennial High School students had some of the highest scores in Iowa on the National French Exam. More than 900 Iowa students took the test and competed in several categories. The highest placing student from Ankeny in French III was Silvia Pellegrino, the Rotary Exchange student from Italy being hosted by the Rotary Club of Ankeny. Silvia placed 4th in the state of Iowa. **Congratulations Silvia!!!**



AGAPE Garden Update

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 16, 2014

In May 2013, the Rotary Club of Ankeny's board approved a donation of \$1,000 for a rain barrel project for AGAPE Gardens. The gardens are a preproject of the Ankeny First United Methodist Church and produces food for homeless meal site and food pantries in the Des Moines area. Over 15,000 pounds of food is produced each year. The 500 gallon capacity rain barrel project is now complete and will provide water for the garden by collecting rain water that

runs off the nursery roof. They now plan to complete an irrigation system to connect to the rain barrel.



Thank You From The YMCA

Posted by Nate Burnham on May 04, 2014

The following thank you letter was received from Kraig Vry, Executive Director of the Ankeny Family YMCA.

The Ankeny YMCA and its Board of Managers would like to thank you for your pledge and payment contribution for the 2014 Annual Campaign. On behalf of our volunteers who work this campaign and connect with you, I want to personally thank you for your gift to the Y. We believe that lasting personal and social change can only come about when we all work together. Our Ankeny community has grown stronger because of your commitment to support youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. The Annual Campaign slogan *"the Y so much more"* is made possible when we work together.



May Rotarian Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Apr 28, 2014

The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in May.

1st - Carl Koedam
12th - Damon Miller
26th - Jon Lowman

28th - Dan Kitzinger



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:

May 6th - Shannon Textor, Iowa Corn Growers, Speaker
May 6th - Charlene Kiesling, Amanda The Panda, "Eveninig" Speaker
May 6th - Roxanne Cogill, Iowa Epilepsy Foundation, Guest of Nate Burnham
May 6th - Deb Malson, visiting Rotarian, Ames Noon
May 6th - Jane Lamfers, guest of Jan Franck
May 13th - Gina Rooney, Grants Manager, Prairie Meadows, Speaker
May 13th - Joe Gardyasz, guest of Ben Digmann
May 13th - Nick Lenox, Guest of Terry Peter
May 13th - Tamara Kenworthy, visiting Rotarian, Des Moines AM