



Rotary Club of Ankeny

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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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September Rotary Board Meeting

Posted by Nate Burnham on Sep 02, 2013

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

When: Thursday, September 12th

Time: 12:00 PM

Where: Wig N Pen, 2005 South Ankeny Blvd.

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



Rotary Meeting Greeters

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2013

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

9/3 - Jack Pennington
9/10 - Terry Peter
9/17 - Jim Ramsey

9/24 - Jody Savage
10/1 - Kim Schaaf
10/8 - Steve SchraderBachar
10/15 - Sally Schroeder



2013 Christmas Social - December 12th

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 28, 2013

Save the date and plan to join your fellow Ankeny Rotarians and guests at the Temple Theater for dinner and show on Thursday, December 12th. More details will be available soon.

The show will be "**Dixie's Tupperware Party**". Dixie Longate, the fast-talking Tupperware Lady, packed up her catalogues, left her children in an Alabama trailer park and took Off-Broadway, London & Melbourne by storm! Now, join Dixie as she travels the country throwing good ol'fashioned Tupperware Parties filled with outrageously funny tales, heartfelt accounts, FREE giveaways, audience participation and the most fabulous assortment of Tupperware ever sold on a theater stage. Loaded with the most up-to-date products available for purchase, see for yourself how Ms. Longate became a member of the illustrious "#1 Tupperware Seller in the World" Club, as she educates her guests on the many alternative uses she has discovered for her plastic products! "**Not your grandmother's Tupperware Party!**" according to the NBC Today Show.



Silvia Has Arrived!

Posted by Nate Burnham on Sep 02, 2013

Silvia Pellegrino, our Rotary exchange [student](#) from Ragusa, Italy did arrive at the Des Moines airport the evening of August 20th. She was greeted by Gary & Colleen Welch, Trent, Renee, and Heather Murphy and Jessica Jensen, our outbound exchange student. Silvia will be spending the first three months of

Oct 08, 2013
Rotarian Responsible - Sally
Schroeder
City of Ankeny

Oct 15, 2013
Club Assembly

Oct 22, 2013
"Evening Club" - District
Governor - Jacque Andrew

Oct 22, 2013
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Stewart

Oct 29, 2013
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her visit to Ankeny with Michael and Sandy McClure. We hope to have her visit one of our Rotary meetings soon.



Dr. James Maxwell Retiring

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 27, 2013

Several weeks ago, Dr. James Maxwell announced he was planning to retire this summer from his ministry with Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary. He now has advised us that his last **Rotary Club of Ankeny** meeting will be September 3rd. James has been an active member of the Rotary Club of Ankeny since January 2008. He plans to transfer his membership to another Rotary Club in Naples, Florida after he completes his move. James and Leslie's new address will be 6941 Appleby Drive, Naples, Florida 34104. Their home phone will be 239-331-8728.

PAST DUE

Are Your Dues Past Due?

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 26, 2013

As of September 1st, there are 15 members of the Rotary Club of Ankeny that have not paid their dues that were due August 5th. If you are one of these members, you will soon be receiving a follow-up email. You can see how much you owe, if anything, by logging on to our web site, going to **"Admin"** and clicking on **"My Billing Account Balance"** under **"My ClubRunner"**. If you have any questions contact Jim Ramsey or Nate Burnham.



The Dictionary Project

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 26, 2013

A total of 840 dictionaries have been ordered to be distributed by the Rotary Club of Ankeny to Ankeny 4th graders this year. Luke Nelson has volunteered the services of Woodruff Design to print the labels and Damon Miller believes he has some 6th graders to put the labels in the books for us. All we need to do is deliver them **during the week of October 21-25**. A sign up sheet will be available soon. This will be the 8th consecutive year that our club has participated in this project and our total number of books distributed to Ankeny 4th graders will be 6,000 after this year.

The idea of **"The Dictionary Project"** began in 1992 when Annie Plummer of Savannah, Georgia, gave 50 dictionaries to children who attended a school close to her home. Each year since then, she has continued to give this gift, raising money to help give more and more books so that in her lifetime she has raised enough money to buy 17,000 dictionaries for children in Savannah. Early on, her project attracted the attention of Bonnie Beferman of Hilton Head, S.C., who began a project of raising money by selling crafts to buy dictionaries for the school children of Hilton Head and the surrounding communities. By 1995, Bonnie was getting so many requests from local teachers to be included in the project that she wrote a letter to the editor of the Charleston Post and Courier explaining the project and asking for someone to help meet requests from the Charleston area. Mary French, who was already an active school volunteer even though her two children were still of preschool age, read the letter and decided this was a project for her. Starting with a few schools in Charleston and Summerville, she realized quickly that providing dictionaries to all the students in Charleston was going to require serious funding. She and her late husband Arno French formed a 501(c)(3) nonprofit association in 1995 and The Dictionary Project was born.

The original goal was to provide dictionaries to all third-grade students in South Carolina. This was achieved in 1999 but after The Wall Street Journal published a story about the project in 2002, the Dictionary Project took on a national purpose and expanded its mission to include students in all 50 states. The program has been adopted by many civic organizations including Rotary Clubs. Anyone can participate in this project by sponsoring a program to provide dictionaries to children in their community. The dictionaries are a gift for the children to keep. **Since its implementation in 1995, over 20 million children have received dictionaries because thousands of people saw the same need in communities over the United States.**



The Tradition of Exchanging Club Banners

Posted by Nate Burnham on Sep 02, 2013

One of the colorful traditions of many Rotary Clubs is the exchange of small banners, flags, or pennants. Rotarians traveling to distant locations often take banners to exchange at make-up meetings as a token of friendship. Many clubs use the decorative banners they have received for attractive displays at club meetings and district events.

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Doug Beech

Club Administration
Nate Burnham

Social Co-Chair
Tim Cox

Club Events

September Board Meeting

Wig & Pen
Sep 12, 2013 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

Districty 600 Fall Training Seminar

DMACC - Building 7 - Oak,
Maple, Walnut rooms
Sep 24, 2013 05:30 PM - 09:00 PM

Northwest Bank/Rotary Club of Ankeny Shred Days

Sep 28, 2013 08:30 AM - 11:00 AM

District Governor Jacques Andrews Official Visit

Oct 01, 2013

October Board Meeting

Wig & Pen
Oct 10, 2013 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

DG Jacques Andrew's Visit with "Evening Club"

Oct 22, 2013 05:45 PM

The Rotary International Board recognized the growing popularity of the banner exchange back in 1959 and encouraged participating clubs to ensure that the design of their banners is distinctive and expressive of the club's community and country. It is recommended that banners include pictures, slogans, or designs portraying the territorial area of the club. Exchanging club banners is a very pleasant custom, especially when a creative and artistic banner tells an interesting story of community pride. The exchange of banners is a significant tradition of Rotary and services as a tangible symbol of our international fellowship.

The Rotary Club of Ankeny's banner was updated about 6 years ago and has a picture of the Ankeny Band Shell on it. If you are traveling and plan to make-up a Rotary meeting, ask Nate Burnham for a banner to take with you and exchange with the club you are visiting.

Rotarians Have Same Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Sep 02, 2013



There are several dates when two Ankeny Rotarians share birthdays including Justin Carlton and Bruce Kimpston on January 25th, Jody Savage and Steve SchraderBachar on February 26th, Mark Land and Pat Timmons on August 16th, Dick Marshal and Kraig Vry on October 4th, Jan Franck and Del Mohler on November 25th, and Bob Hosch and Rich Job on December 12th. But there is only one birthday that is shared by three Ankeny Rotarians. That is September 7th and it is shared by Teri Crist, Tom Friedman, and Mark Martin. **Happy Birthday Rotarians.**

September Rotarian Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 26, 2013



The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in September:

7th - Teri Crist
7th - Tom Friedman
7th - Mark Martin
16th - Todd Wehr

20th - Kevin Brooks

29th - Tim Hawkins



Opening Day for Ankeny Miracle League

Posted by Nate Burnham on Sep 02, 2013

The opening day for the Ankeny Kiwanis Miracle League will be Saturday, September 7. There will be a program beginning at 8:30 AM to celebrate the inaugural season and fundraising efforts. The first games will follow the celebration. The Miracle League of Ankeny is a joint venture of the City of Ankeny and the Ankeny Kiwanis Club.



District 6000 Fall Training Seminar

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 16, 2013

The fall training seminars for District 6000 will be held at **DMACC, Building 7, on Tuesday, September 24th in Ankeny** and on Thursday, October 10th in West Liberty. Food and check-in will be at 5:30 PM with the seminar beginning at 6:00 PM and ending at 9:00 PM. All Rotarians are welcome but the goal is for every club to send the Club President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and a representative from their Foundation, Grants, Membership, Youth Exchange, and Public Image committees.

There is no charge for this seminar. Participants can register by going to: www.rotary6000.org by logging in and clicking on **"Fall Training Seminars"** under **"District Events"**. A separate registration link is provided for each seminar location.



RYLA Students Present to Rotary

Posted by Nate Burnham on Aug 20, 2013

Four of the eight students the Rotary Club of Ankeny sponsored to attend RYLA attended the August 13th noon meeting and talked about their experiences and things they learned while attending RYLA at Wartburg College the week of July 7th. The students present were Amber Smith, Bri Devin, Maddie Noble, and McKayla Sturtz.

**Rotary 6000 Foundatin Dinner
- Making an Impact**

West Des Moines Marriott
Nov 09, 2013 06:00 PM - 10:00 PM

November Rotary Board Meeting

Wig & Pen
Nov 14, 2013 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

Christmas Social and Show

Dec 12, 2013

2014 Fundraiser

FFA Enrichment Center
Feb 22, 2014

2014 Rotary District 6000 Annual Conference

Gateway Hotel & Conference Center
May 01, 2014 - May 03, 2014

2014 RI Convention

Sidney
Jun 01, 2014 - Jun 04, 2014



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New Rotary International Web Site

Posted by Nate Burnham on Sep 02, 2013

If you have visited Rotary International's web site at www.rotary.org recently, you have experienced the new website. If you haven't, check it out! It is attractive and functional and hopefully appealing to new/potential members. You will note that you can set up an account by clicking on **"My Rotary"**. Member Access users may use their current email and password to activate the new My Rotary account. Signing in to My Rotary gives you a customized experience and easier access to tools and information that are relevant to you. Please take this opportunity to look around the website and create a My Rotary account!



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:

August 20th - Steve Gibbons, Executive Director, Ankeny Service Center

August 20th - Chad Klar, Bridges Program - Speaker