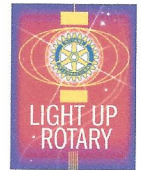


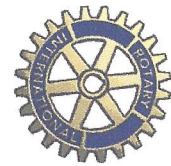
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The "Ratchet" Rotary Club of Ankeny



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Service
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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



Venue
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Duty
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Speakers

Jul 15, 2014

Rosa Stocker, MSN, ARNP
Dangers of sun exposure and
prevention

Jul 15, 2014

"Evening" - Greg Franck
Climate Change

Jul 22, 2014

"Evening" - Garden Night

Jul 22, 2014

Reo Menning (Metro Waste
Authority)
Landfill overview and Curb It
Recycling Program

Jul 29, 2014

"Evening" - Rotarian Responsible
- Carl Koedam

Jul 29, 2014

Rotarian Responsible - Jon
Lowman

Aug 05, 2014

No Noon Meeting
Picnic with evening club

Aug 05, 2014

Club Picnic both Noon & Evening
Clubs
Ankeny Sunrise Park

Aug 12, 2014

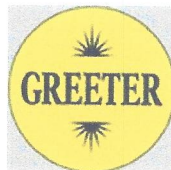
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July 15th Noon Meeting to be at Briarwood Golf

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jun 15, 2014

Due to a conflict, the Ankeny Golf & Country Club is not available for our noon meeting on July 15, 2014. **Instead, we will be meeting at the Briarwood Golf Club.**



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:

7/15 - Raj Reddy
7/22 - Sally Schroeder
7/29 - Kathy Sibbel
8/5 - No Noon Meeting
8/12 - Zane Smith
8/19 - Chuck Stewart



Thank You Summerfest Volunteers

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 13, 2014

34 Ankeny Rotarians volunteered to help with either the Summerfest parade, Rotary vendor booth or golf ball drop this past weekend. Many worked both the parade and vendor booth. Thank you to everyone that volunteered. **Special thank you to Tom Friedman for coordinating the golf ball drop and to Tim Hawkins for coordinating the parade set up.**



Congratulations Golf Ball Drop Winners!!

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 14, 2014

The results of the 2014 Summerfest Golf Ball Drop are in. Congratulations to the following:

1st Place - \$1,000 - Leigh Lewis sold by Terry Peter
2nd Place - \$375 - Reba Henze sold by Rich Job
3rd Place - \$250 - John Colyer sold by John Colyer
4th Place - \$125 - Tim Hawkins sold by Tim Hawkins

The preliminary numbers show a total of 580 balls were sold which will result in approximately \$5,600 after expenses, to be split with the Ankeny Service Center and the organizations that sold tickets. Ticket sales by service club were: Rotary - 482, Lions - 41, Optimists - 17, Kiwanis - 20, AYP - 10, and Jaycees - 10. Thanks to Tom Friedman for the

Rotarian Responsible - Dan Kitzinger

Aug 19, 2014
Gary Welch
RYLA Program

Aug 26, 2014
Rotarian Responsible - Dick Marshall

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tremendous amount of time and effort he put into organizing the golf ball drop and to every one that sold tickets and worked the Rotary vender booth.



All Club Picnic August 5th

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jun 15, 2014

The Rotary noon meeting on August 5th is being canceled and a picnic for all Ankeny Rotarians and guests is being planned. The community will be invited to the picnic through a news article in the Press Citizen which we hope to be in the July 29th edition. The picnic will be at Ankeny's Sunrise Shelter, 506 SE Peterson Ave. The evening will begin with a social hour from 5:30-6:30 and eating will begin around 6:30. This will be a family event with children welcome.

The Club will provide meat to be grilled including hot dogs and hamburgers as well as all table service. All members should bring a dish to share, appetizer, salad or dessert, **and a canned item to be donated to our local food bank.** This will be a great opportunity to invite a prospective new member to learn more about Rotary and some of the events and service projects that our club spearheads each year around the community. Please indicate your plans to attend and what side dish you will bring by signing up at this week's meeting.



Outgoing Exchange Student, Jessica Jensen Presents at Rotary

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2014

Jessica Jensen was an outgoing exchange student from Ankeny. She recently returned from nearly a full year in Italy. She was the speaker at the noon meeting on July 1st and told of her experience while representing Ankeny. She also, brought back a banner from The Rotary Club of Mosso, Italy to give to the club.

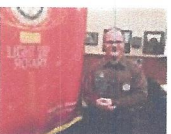


District Governor Ockenfels Makes Official Visit to Ankeny

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2014

meeting.

District Governor John Ockenfels and his wife Deb made their official visit to both the noon Rotary Club of Ankeny and the evening satellite club on July 8th. Prior to the noon meeting he attended the July Board



Kristofer Orth Named "New Member of the Year"

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2014

The new members that recently joined the Rotary Club of Ankeny have been very active in social events, service projects and leadership roles. This led to a decision to recognize one new member as the **"Outstanding New Member of the Year"** for 2013-2014. The guidelines for this award included the member having been a member for at least one full year but not more than three years, the member must have displayed "Service above Self" by participating in multiple service projects, club social events, attended District events, and displayed outstanding leadership qualities. The member selected to receive this award for 2013-2014 was **Kristofer Orth**.

Kristofer joined the Rotary Club of Ankeny on November 20, 2012. Since then he has served as President Elect of the evening satellite club. During the past year he has worked the vendor booth at Summerfest, helped set up the parade, worked shred days, helped distribute dictionaries, helped with clean up days, attended the Christmas social, annual meeting, new member orientation, Iowa Energy Game, fundraiser, District conference, District Assembly, and several board meetings. In addition he helped with several service projects with the

Club Service
Sharlene Dunlap

Youth Services
Gary Welch

Immediate Past President
Teri Crist

Club Events

Noon Meeting at Briarwood Golf Club
Jul 15, 2014 11:45 AM - 01:00 PM

All Club picnic
Shelter at Sunrise Park
Aug 05, 2014 05:45 PM - 08:00 PM

August Board Meeting
Wig & Pen
Aug 14, 2014 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

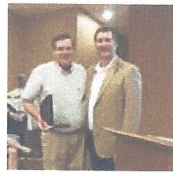
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evening satellite club including painting bedrooms for a disabled veteran, planting a flower bed for the city, and collecting for the Ankeny food pantry. **Congratulations Kristofer!!**



Mike Lydon Recognized for 25 Consecutive Years Perfect Attendance

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 01, 2014

During the annual meeting on June 26th, the club recognized 27 members that had achieved perfect attendance for the 2013-2014 Rotary year. The most consecutive years with perfect attendance has been achieved by Mike Lydon. Mike joined the Rotary Club of Ankeny on August 17, 1987. He did not have perfect attendance his first year but has had 25 consecutive years with perfect attendance since. Mike was presented a plaque in recognition of this accomplishment.



Thank You from Maggie Mixdorf

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2014

Maggie Mixdorf was one of two Dollars for Scholars Rotary Club scholarship winners. The following thank you letter was recently received from her:

Dear Rotary Club of Ankeny - I am writing to thank you for the generous \$500 Dollars for Scholars Rotary Club scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship. One huge goal of mine is to get through college with as little debt as possible and this definitely helps me on my way in doing so. Thank you so much.

I will be attending Iowa State University in the fall. I am going to be a freshman, but already have 40 college credits going in that make me a sophomore academically. I plan on studying Accounting with a minor in Management with the end goal of becoming a CPA or eventually a CFO. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal. By awarding me the Dollars for Scholars Rotary Club scholarship you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

July Rotarian Birthdays

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jun 25, 2014



The following members of the Rotary Club of Ankeny will celebrate birthdays in July.

2nd - Pat Stilwill
3rd - Brad Botos
9th - Jim Ramsey
19th - Jason Gassmann
22nd - Gerry Bair
28th - Dirk Westercamp



Rotary International Receives Coveted 4-Star Rating From Charity Navigator

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 13, 2014

The Rotary Foundation earned a **"4-Star" rating from Charity Navigator**, www.charitynavigator.org, the largest and most prestigious independent evaluator of nonprofits in the United States. The "4-Star" rating, the highest that Charity Navigator awards, recognizes sound fiscal management and commitment to accountability and transparency. Charity Navigator evaluates thousands of non profits each year, and only one of four earns 4 stars.

This year's top distinction marks the Foundation's seventh straight, placing it in the top 3 percent of US based charities. In a letter to the Foundation, Ken Berger, the president of

Charity Navigator, wrote, *"This 'exceptional' designation differentiates The Rotary Foundation from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust."*

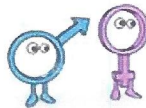


Five Rules for Men to Follow for a Happy Life

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jun 25, 2014

Here are the **"Five Rules for Men to Follow for a Happy Life"** that Russell J. Larsen had inscribed on his headstone in Logan Utah. He died not knowing that he would someday be in the **"Coolest Headstone"** contest.....

1. It's important to have a women who helps at home, cooks from time to time, cleans up, and has a job.
2. It's important to have a women who can make you laugh.
3. It's important to have a women who you can trust and doesn't lie to you.
4. It's important to have a women who is good in bed and just likes to be with you.
5. It's very, very, important that these four women do not know each other or you should end up dead like me.



Men Out Number Women

Posted by Nate Burnham on Jul 09, 2014

women.

At year end, June 30, 2014, the Rotary Club of Ankeny had 72 members. Men in the club out numbered women 58 to 14 which is 19.4% women. Two years ago the ratio was 59 to 16, 21.3%



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:

July 1st - Colleen Welch, guest of Gary Welch
July 1st - Jessica Jensen, Speaker - Rotary Exchange Student to Italy
July 1st - Bryan Runam, Guest of Jon Lowman
July 1st - Pam Wieneke, Guest of Steve Wieneke
July 8th - Chuck Gassman, visiting Rotarian from Des Moines Noon Club
July 8th - Colleen Welch, Guest of Gary Welch
July 8th - Bob Krause, guest of Kevin Brooks
July 8th - Jacque Andrew - Past District Governor
July 8th - Deb Ockenfels, District Governor John's wife
July 8th - John Ockenfels, District Governor
July 8th - Annette Burnham, guest of Nate Burnham