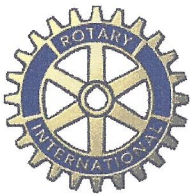


"The Ratchet"

Rotary Club of Ankeny

Club Information

Welcome to the Rotary Club of Ankeny!



Service Above Self

Tuesdays at 11:45 AM at
AG&CC & 6:00 PM at Wig &
Pen
Ankeny Golf & Country Club
314 SW Irvinedale Dr.
Ankeny, IA 50023
United States

 [District Site](#)

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Speakers

Dec 15, 2015

[Sheryl Dales - "Evening"](#)

Information Literacy Program at Terrace Elementary

Dec 15, 2015

[Ankeny Community Chorus](#)

Dec 22, 2015

[No Rotary Meeting - Happy Holidays](#)

Dec 29, 2015

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Jan 05, 2016

[Dr. Jim Blessman](#)

Water Projects in South Africa

Sponsors

Eradicate Polio

Support Paul Harris

Remember 9-11

Lamberti, Gocke, & Luetje, P.C.

Aplus

HOME CARE SERVICES
& SUPPLIES

Legs on Lease



Contact
Nate Burnham for
[information on how](#)

Jan 12, 2016
[Club Assembly](#)

Jan 19, 2016
[Tera Owen & Amy Dittmer](#)
Leader in Me

Jan 26, 2016
[Tim Brand](#)
Many Hands for Haiti

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to become a website sponsor.

Interested in being a sponsor?
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Upcoming Events

[December Rotary Board Meeting](#)
Wig & Pen
Dec 17, 2015
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

[January Board Meeting](#)
Wig & Pen
Jan 14, 2016
12:00 PM – 10:00 PM

[Polio Plus Night at Iowa Energy](#)
Wells Fargo Arena
Feb 06, 2016 7:00 PM



Articles

No Rotary Until Next Year



After the meeting on December 15th, there will not be another Rotary meeting until January 5, 2016. **The meetings on December 22nd and 29th are cancelled** to allow members to enjoy the holidays.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Ankeny Community Chorus at Rotary December 15th



Several members of the Ankeny Community Chorus will attend our noon Rotary meeting on December 15th. They will sing several songs to help get us in the holiday spirit. **You will not want to miss their performance!**

Rotary Meeting Greeter & Sheriff



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

12/15 - Brad Botos
12/22 - **NO MEETING**
12/29 - **NO MEETING**

1/5 - Kevin Brooks
1/12 - Travis Carlson
1/19 - Justin Carlton
1/26 - Mary Cochran

"Biker Night" Tickets Now on Sale



Tickets for the Rotary Club of Ankeny's 2016 fundraiser, "**Biker Night**" are expected to be ready for distribution to members at the December 15th meeting. The fundraiser will be February 27, 2016 at the FFA Enrichment Center. Tickets are \$45 each or receive a discount of \$5 per ticket by buying a table of 8 for \$320. **Each Active member of the club will be responsible for the sale of at least two tickets.** If you are unable to attend the event yourself, these tickets can be sold or given away.

December Rotary Board Meeting



The December Rotary Board meeting was postponed a week. It will be:

When: **Thursday, December 17th at noon**
Where: Wig & Pen, 2005 South Ankeny Blvd.

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

Monthly Rotary Coffee - December 18th



The monthly Rotary coffee at Cafe Diem will be **Friday, December 18th from 7:30 to 8:30 AM**. This is a make up opportunity and all members are welcome.

Blood Drive - December 24th



The December service project for the evening Rotary club will be a "Blood Drive" on Thursday, December 24th. The Life Serve Blood Center's Bloodmobile will be at A-Plus Home Care Services, 2301 West First Street in Ankeny from 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM. If you can donate, please register on line at LifeServe Blood Center or call 515-964-7297. Contact Anne Porter, 571-4213, with questions.

Prospective New Member CJM Financial, Inc.



CJM Financial, Inc. has submitted an application to become a corporate member of the Rotary Club of Ankeny. Trent Murphy,



President of CJM Financial, Inc. and a current member of the club, will be the "Primary" member. Thomas Rice, Vice President, and Renee Murphy, Vice President of Marketing, will be the "Secondary" members. CJM Financial, Inc. purchases and collects accounts receivable from large and small companies which helps them manage and control their cash flow.

Comments regarding the proposed application of CJM Financial, Inc. may be forwarded to any Board member.

Hypnotic Night at Christmas Social



Not only did those in attendance at the Rotary Christmas social get treated to a great meal but they also had plenty of laughs when the evening became very hypnotic. The hypnotist chose ten individuals from the audience and tried to hypnotize them. Only six went under and it is believed a couple of them may have been just pretending.

Colleen Welch, Stacey Koeppen, the waitress, and possibly Steve Wieneke (We are not sure about Steve.) appeared to be hypnotized and put on quite a show. Thanks to Tim Cox with an assist from Jim Gocke for making the arrangements for the dinner and entertainment.

Evening Club Tours On With Life



The members of the Evening Rotary Club of Ankeny met at On With Life on Tuesday, December 8th, and received a tour of the facility including their recent expansion by Rotarian and On With Life Administrator, Pat Stillwill. The group was also treated to a grilled chicken salad dinner. Thank you, Pat, for the tour and your

hospitality.

Meal Served to St. Joseph Emergency Family Shelter



On the evening of December 1st, 5 members of the Evening Rotary Club of Ankeny prepared and served a meal at the St Joseph Emergency Family Shelter in Des Moines. St. Joseph's provides safe, clean housing for homeless families for a limited stay and is the only emergency shelter in Polk County where the entire family unit can stay together.

Rotary Foundation Minute



Running, biking and swimming 482 miles in the course of a year or even a month is hardly the marvel of sports headlines. But racking up that distance in three days staggers the imagination. Rotarian Jeff Glidden did just that through his Ultra Distance Triathlon Challenge, raising \$100,000 and counting, for The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund. "It was difficult" said Glidden, "but it was more rewarding than anything I have ever done. Many Rotarians that had never given before contributed and supported me, that was definitely one of my goals" Corporate sponsors helped fuel Glidden's mega-triathlon challenge by each contributing at least \$1,000. Local media coverage also raised overall awareness of Rotary. All the proceeds from Glidden's challenge went to support The Rotary Foundation.

While you might not have the ability to take on such an ambitious physical undertaking, please take time to think about what special talents you possess that could lead you to create your own special activity, either alone or with fellow Rotarians to make a difference to the Foundation's

financial strength. There are many ways to advocate and donate. Maybe you can think of something new and creative.

December Rotarian Birthdays



The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in December:

2nd - Chuck Stewart
12th - Rich Job
14th - Tim Cox
21st - Doug Beech

Rotary Club of Ankeny Guests



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

Dec. 8th - Kayla Kovarna, visiting Rotarian, Des Moines
Dec. 8th - Kim Hanken, American Heart Association, speaker
Dec. 8th - Derek Mears, speaker
Dec. 8th - Devin Mears, Derek's father
Dec. 8th - Lori Mears, Derek's mother
Dec. 8th - Renee Murphy, guest of Trent Murphy

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