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"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

Venue Map

Speakers

Aug 31, 2015
Service Night - AGAPE Garden "Evening"

Sep 01, 2015
Lee Holmes
Africa trip

Sep 08, 2015
District Governor Loring Miller
District 6000

Sep 08, 2015
Rotarian Responsible - Stacey Koeppen "Evening"

Sep 15, 2015
Satellite Club District Governor Visit

Sep 15, 2015
RYLA Students
2015 Rotary Youth Leadership Award

Sep 22, 2015
Rotarian Responsible - Kathy Sibbel "Evening"

Sponsors

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Remember 9-11
Lamberti, Gocke, & Luetje, P.C.

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Legs on Lease

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Upcoming Events

September Rotary Board Meeting
Ankeny Golf & Country Club
Sep 08, 2015
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Sep 22, 2015
DMACC ICI
Dave Mercer

Sep 29, 2015
Rotarain Responsible - Anne Porter "Evening"

Sep 29, 2015
Club Assembly

Oct 06, 2015
Kristi Hoffman Oltman
Talent Inquisition

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Disrict Governor Miller to Visit Ankeny Noon Club
Ankeny Golf & Country Club
Sep 08, 2015
10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

District Governor Miller to Visit Evening Club
Sep 15, 2015 6:00 PM

October Rotary Board Meeting
Wig N Pen
Oct 08, 2015
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Articles

District Governor Loring Miller to Visit Ankeny Rotary Clubs

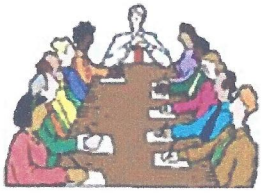
Loring Miller and his Rotary partner Phyllis will make their official visits to Ankeny in September. Their visit to the noon club will be on ***September 8th*** and on ***September 15th*** to the evening club. Loring is a third generation Rotarian. His grandfather was a founding member of the Rotary Club of Leo in 1926. Loring was President of the Rotary Club of Leon, now the Rotary Club of Decatur County, in 1980, and he was the first Paul Harris Fellow in that club.

Loring is a graduate of Northwest Missouri State University and The University of Missouri at Kansas City. While in graduate school, Loring met his life companion Phyllis, also a Rotarian, attending the School of Pharmacy at UMKC. They returned to Leon in 1971 to follow business interest and raise a family. Loring is retired from Miller Insurance Agency, Ltd. and Phyllis retired as President of Decatur Family Pharmacy Inc. both in Leon. During Loring's first 20 years in Rotary he was involved in numerous community projects; however, he believes that he became a Rotarian when PDG Ken Noble introduced him to the world of Rotary beyond community borders with an invitation to join the District 6000 Youth Exchange Committee. Loring has served on that committee for over 20 years, ten as chairman. Loring is the recipient of the Rotary International Four Avenues of Service Citation and the International Service Award for a Polio-Free World. Loring and Phyllis have hosted five Rotary exchange students and they are Rotary Foundation Benefactors and members of the Bequest Society, charter members of the District 6000 Paul Harris Society and Major Donors.

In addition to Rotary, Loring is President of the Decatur County Historical Society, Leon Zoning and Planning Commission and numerous other volunteer community activities. He is recipient of the Leon Outstanding Citizen Award, Iowa Governor's Leadership Award, Iowa Volunteer Hall of Fame Award, numerous Iowa Governor Volunteer Awards and the Iowa State Fair "Iowan for a Day".

Read more...

September Rotary Board Meeting



The September Board meeting for the Rotary Club of Ankeny will be held at ***10:30 AM at the Ankeny Golf & Country Club prior to our regular meeting on Tuesday, September 8th.*** District Governor Loring Miller and his Rotary partner, Phyllis, will be present. All service chairs should be prepared to report on the activities for the past year.

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

Root Beer Float Sales Set Record

The Rotary Club of Ankeny sold root beer floats at both the North HyVee and the South, Prarie Trail, HyVee on Saturday August 22nd. In total they used 52 - 2 liter bottles of A&W root beer and 14 gallons of ice cream. Sales and donations that will go to ***Special Olympics totaled $723.50*** compared to $669.26 last year. The North team did out selll the South team by $380.80 to $342.70. Thank you to everyone that helped set this new record and especially to Tom Friedman for coordinating this service project.

Prospective New Member Kimberly Scavo

Membership

Kimberly Scavo has submitted an application for membership to the Evening Rotary Club of Ankeny. Kim is a Commercial Artist working out of her home since being diagnosed with MS in 1988. She has two degrees in Applied Arts and received a "Certificate for Service to the State of Iowa" from Governor Brandstad in 1987. She wants to become more involved in the community and is eager to serve.

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

Three Named to Paul Harris Society

Corliss Klaassen of the Rotary Club of Charitan and the Chair of the District 6000 Foundation's Annual Fund Committee, was in attendance at the August 25th meeting to announce Steve SchraderBachar, Zane Smith and Nate Burnham had become members of the Paul Harris Society. Each received a certificate and a tab to put on their Rotary pin. In addition, pins were presented to Nate for becoming a Paul Harris Fellow plus 5 and to Steve for becoming a Paul Harris Fellow plus 4. Zane is currently a Paul Harris Fellow plus 8.

The Paul Harris Society recognizes Rotary members and friends of the Rotary Foundation who contribute $1,000 or more each year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or approved Foundation global grants. This recognition was administered by districts until the Paul Harris Society became an official Rotary Foundation recognition program in July 2013. The purpose of the Paul Harris Society is to identify, engage, and thank members who have the ability and desire to make substantial annual gifts that help communities around the world. Only about 3% of all Rotarians are Paul Harris Society members but their dontions make up approximately 38% of the total contributions to the Annual Fund.

Flags Exchanged with Kinuka

During the noon Rotary meeting on August 18th, President Davis exchanged Rotary banners with Kinuka MIWA, the exchange student from Takaoka, Japan. The host families for Kinuka will be Gary & Colleen Welch, Kevin & Sue Nabity, and Art & Donna Moeller.

September Rotarian Birthdays

The following Ankeny Rotarians will celebrate birthdays in September:

7th - Teri Crist
7th - Tom Friedman
7th - Mark Martin
16th - Todd Wehr
20th - Kevin Brooks
25th - Jim Hudson
29th - Tim Hawkins
29th - Anne Porter

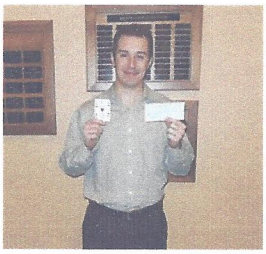
Donation Completed to New Horizon Adult Day Center

Vicki Engh, the Director of the New Horizon Adult Day Center attended the August 25th noon meeting and received a check from the club in the amount of $1,000. This donation will go to help fund the purchase a new handicapped accessible bus.

Donation Completed to "Team Martin"

"Team Martin", Rotarian Mark Martin and his wife, Sallie, will be competing in the 2015 Maine Lighthouse Century Ride on September 13th. They are participating in this event to help fight blood cancers by raising money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. They Rotary Club of Ankeny is supporting Team Martin with a donation of $500 which was presented to Mark on August 18th.

Luke Nelson Wins Pot - Again!!



With half the deck left, 26 cards, Luke Nelson drew the ***"Ace of Hearts"*** after his ticket number was drawn by our speaker on August 25th. The last winner of the pot was also Luke when on January 6th, with 49 cards remaining in the deck, Luke Nelson drew the pot winner. What is Luke's secret to winning? He said ***"You have to play every week."*** Congratulations Luke!

Team 5126 Presents Donation Requet

Matt Brucker and Dakota Schall, members of FTC Team 5126, made a short presentation at the August 18th Rotary meeting regarding their Robotics team at Ankeny High School. The team needs to raise their own funding to purchase supplies, parts and tools for the construction of the team's robot. The Board will consider their request for a $500 donation at the September Board meeting.

Nicole Takes off For Japan

Nicole Nabity, one of three Rotary exchange students from Ankeny for the 2015-2016 school year, left for Japan on August 21st. Gary Welch saw her off at the Des Moines airport.

McKayla Sturtz leaves for France

McKayla Sturtz another of the three Rotary exchange students from Ankeny left for France on August 22nd. Her parents are pictured with her at the Des Moines airport as she is waiting to board her flight.

Nic Guild Arrives in Brazil

The third Ankeny Rotary exchange student, Nic Guild left for Brazil on August 3rd. Here he is shown after he has arrived in his host country.

Rotary Foundation Minute

We should take time to reflect on the worldwide impact of The Rotary Foundation. Would you like to know what The Rotary Foundation is all about? Perhaps it can be captured in this statement by Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary. "When an individual, a sect, a clique or a nation hates and despises another individual, sect, clique or nation, he or they simply do not know the objects of their hatred. Ignorance is at the bottom of it." Today, we have the Foundation as the core catalyst of our actions throughout the world. All of our programs such as Vocational Training Teams, scholarships, global grants and district grants (District 6000 calls them Community Service Grants) are directed at that ignorance. We can take tremendous pride in the international impact our organization has had in replacing conflict, poverty and illness with peace, economic stability and the eradication of disease. The Rotary Foundation was started "to do good in the world" and the result has been to reduce the hatred that Paul Harris spoke about. When you give to The Rotary Foundation, you work towards a more peaceful world.

Rotary Club of Ankeny Guests

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

August 4th - John Hein, Metropolitian Life, speaker
August 4th - Laura Holtman, MOSAIC, speaker "Evening"
August 4th - Janet Fisher, MOSAIC, speaker "Evening"
August 4th - Eric Pasanchin, Paster at Ankeny Presbyterian Church
August 4th - Max Powers, guest of Travis Carlson
August 4th - Nicole Nabity, Rotary exchange student to Japan
August 18th - Kim Scavo, "Evening"
August 18th - Jim Arthur, visiting Rotarian, NW Des Moines
August 18th - Robert Merrill, AHS Robotics Team guest of Rich Job
August 18th - Dakota Schall, AHS Robotics Team guest of Rich Job
August 18th - Matt Brucker, AHS Robotics Team guest of Rich Job
August 18th - McKayla Sturtz, Rotary Exchange Student to France
August 18th - Stoy Hall, guest of Abbi Rickelman
August 18th - Laura Luetje, guest of Jim Gocke
August 18th - Colleen Welch, guest of Gary Welch
August 25th - Kim Scavo, "Evening"

August 25th - Cal Lord, visiting Rotarian, Westerly, RI
August 25th - Vicki Engh, New Horizon's Adult Day Center
August 25th - Corliss Klaassen, visiting Rotarain, Charitaon
August 25th - James Bennal, guest of Art Moeller
August 25th - Colleen Welch, guest of Gary Welch
August 25th - Annette Burnham, guest of Nate Burnham
August 25th - Silvia Pellegrino, 2013-2014 Rotary Exchange Student, "Evening"

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