



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
July 6, 2011, issue

Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at
The Fortune Garden Restaurant

Opportunity to learn about Mission style

Mission is a distinctive style of furniture usually associated with the Arts and Crafts Movement in the arts in the U.S.



around the turn of the 20th century. One of the leading manufacturers of Mission furniture since that era is J. & L.G. Stickley

Furniture of Manlius, N.Y. Our guest speaker at the July 13 meeting will be **Dana Dean**, who represents Stickley for Knilans' Furniture & Interiors in Davenport; **Amber Castro** arranged details of the meeting.

Mission furniture traces its origins to a chair made by A.J. Forbes around 1894 for San Francisco's Swedenborgian Church, according to Wikipedia. "The term mission furniture was first popularized by Joseph P. McHugh of New York, a furniture manufacturer and retailer who copied these chairs and

offered a line of stylistically related furnishings by 1898." Mission design emphasizes simple horizontal and vertical lines and flat panels that accentuate the grain of the wood (usually oak). Furniture maker [Gustav Stickley](#) was an early American producer of Arts and Crafts furniture, which he said differed from Mission style.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, July 6, 2010



John, Mark actually worked in Brazil...

After we all got over the disappointment of learning that **John Archer** and **Mark Ross** *didn't* go to Brazil in March for high jinks – but were actually there to learn something as part of a University of Iowa MBA / University of Sao Paulo program – we learned a lot about Brazil at the July 6 meeting; including:

→Sao Paulo is to Rio de Janeiro as New York is to Los Angeles (OK, that's sort of fun)...

→Brazil is one of the great economic success stories – 9th largest economy in the world... responsible for about half of

the economic activity in South America... as one of the BRIC nations (Brazil, Russia, India, China), a true global economic power...

→ Even with all its economic power, Brazil retains much of its laid-back character – for example, with two world sports events scheduled there – World Cup of soccer in 2014 and the Olympic Games two years later – there’s no sense of urgency to build the high-speed rail link between Sao Paolo and Rio...

Near the end, the real truth came out: they admitted the large number of times they dined at Brazilian steak houses during their visit.

The meeting opened...



... with new **President Scott Naumann** leading the recitation of “The 4-Way Test” for the first time as president. **Tom Howard** – accompanied by

guest pianist **Gail Baldwin** – led the singing of “The Star-Spangled Banner,” and we all paused for Moments of Reflection. Afterward, the singing continued with “The Rotary Bell,” a rousing rendition of “Yankee Doodle Dandy” and “H-A-double-R-I-G-A-N” (which few Singing Rotary Clubs would dare even attempt) – and “Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians” for dessert.



Bettendorf Rotarians marking the passage of another year this month are: 7, Frank Mitvalsky; 12, **Kirsten Adams**; 14, John DeDoncker; 15, **Mike Limberg**; 21. Dave Chambers, Frank Schwab,

Mike Freemire; 27, Simon Bowe, 28, Steve Pieart.

Secretary Chuck introduced:

Visitors:

New Member **Todd Cahalan**
Austin Cleveland with **Jay Willsher**
Rita Nelson with **Connie Mangler**
John Fraser & Matt Bedding with **Mark Ross**

Announcements...



→ **New logistics boss.** On the heels of another successful LobsterFest, perennial fest Logistics Chair **Frank Mitvalsky** passed the crumpled straw cowboy hat of logistics authority (actually, a brand-new

crumpled straw cowboy hat; who knew they sold 'em?) to new logistics boss **Sharon Sarver**, who will be in charge of wrangling all the details of the 2012 LobsterFest.

➔ **Resignation.** **President Scott** read part of a letter from **Tim Lofgren**, who said he was sorry to leave “such a wonderful group” of Rotarians for now, but the demands of his business compelled his resignation.



➔ **JDC Marshals.** Saying the first group of BRC marshals were busy at the 1st Hole (also known as “Ours”) even as he spoke, **Jeff Hassel** told remaining marshals how to get answers to any questions

they might have.

➔ **Rotary-in-Motion Challenge.** Next week’s meeting marks the first official report of steps traveled in this walk-up to Run with Carl – which occurs in 61 days, **Dick Schillig** reported. Members of three teams – captained by **Kevin Kraft**, **Jonna Schuler** and **Kurt Lokenvitz** – are all busily wearing down the treads of their walking shoes.

➔ **BRC Social Hour.** The next BRC Social Hour again will be at the Hotel Blackhawk’s bowling lanes, beginning at 5:15 p.m. Monday, July 18.

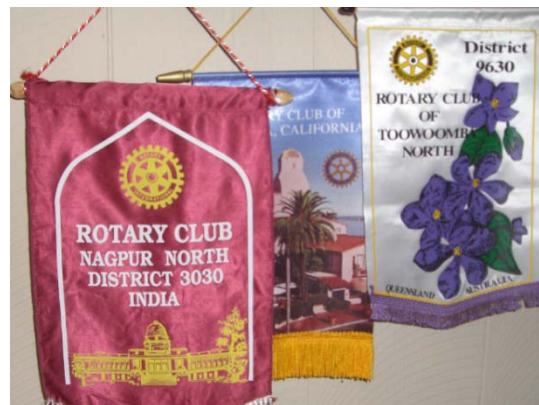
Presentation...

Lee Semenow ventured out of town last week, all the way to Belle Air, Md., where he enjoyed Rotary fellowship as he dined on fish and veggies at the Maryland Golf & Country Club. “Only 798 to go to catch Carter,” Lee quipped.



The news...

As usual, **Lora Adams** reported a summary of the news you just don’t get anywhere else: Pyeongchang, South Korea, will host the 2018 Winter Olympics.... The Obama administration reversed a policy that goes back several presidencies, and now will send condolence letters to the next-of-kin of service members who commit suicide....



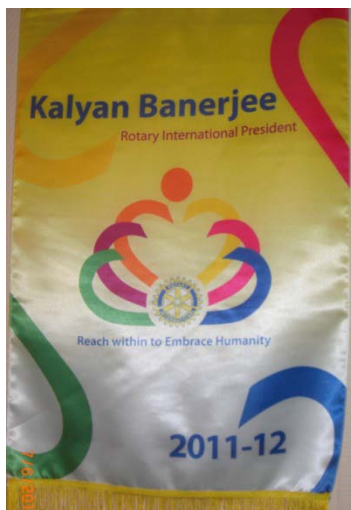
Ron Barber, who was shot at the same time as Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz., has returned to work.... A Somali man suspected of helping Al Qaeda was held aboard a U.S. Navy ship for two months without being advised of his legal rights.... Uganda anti-mine officials

found a teacher using an unexploded bomb as a bell to summon children to a class on how to spot a bomb.... A Michigan jail inmate says it's cruel and unusual punishment that he can't have porno.... In a Darwinian twist of irony, a bare-headed motorcyclist in New York was protesting the state's cyclist helmet law when he crashed, hit his head on pavement and died.

Sergeant at arms...

President Scott collected \$268 for our foundations + \$50 from **Bob Gallagher** and \$47 from **Carl Loweth** towards our Scholarship Fund.

Ryan \$\$ came from these happy folks:
Dawn Saul – Davenport schools have a new superintendent... **Bob Gallagher** –



“Would you please sign my Scott Community College Board petition?”... **Frank Mitvalsky** – camped in Colorado with the family (and brought some

shrubbery home)... visitor **John Fraser** – plugged the U of I MBA program... **Jeff Hassel** – happy “sittin’ out here”... **Linda Miller** – glad to be back among real people – the legislative session is done!... **Lora Adams** – when 2 of Mom’s dogs died, went looking for a Yorkie but got something just a bit larger – a St. Bernard... **Scott Naumann** – made elaborate excuses for his wild pitch at Rotary Night at the Ballpark – but finally

admitted he didn’t think he’d needed to warm up...

Missing today:

Ashby, Blaske, Boeye, Bowe, Brown, Calabrese, Cameron, Carter, G. Coin, Deuth, Dobesh, Douglas, Eikenberry, Ellstrom, Foster, Gudgel, Harrison, Heninger, Hinton, James, Kappeler, Kass, Kennedy, Lanum, Larsen, Legare, McWilliams, Manas, Olson, Pelecky, Pieart, Ploehn, Praul, Ricketts-McCool, Rolf, Scranton, Spelhaug, St. Laurent, Schutte, Volbrecht, Windmiller, Worley

Make-ups:

Decker Ploehn @ Iowa Quad Cities
 Lee Semenow @ Belle Air, MD
 Joe Douglas, Bob Lundin, Steve Pieart & Jeff Hassel at JDC today
 At today’s committee meeting: John Rabine, Jonna Schuler, Rick Hartsock, Carl Loweth, Steve Sorensen, Jen DeBuhr, Mike Limberg, Linda Miller, Jerry Felsing, Mike Freemire, John DeDoncker, Bob Gabrilson, Mark Ross, Frank Mitvalsky, Sharon Sarver, John Archer, **S.K. Nanda**, Bob Gallagher, Tim Lane, Lee Semenow





Upcoming meetings...

July 13: Dana Dean, the Stickley Furniture rep. for Knilans' Furniture & Interiors: Arts and Crafts/Mission style furniture

July 20: Rachel Hurley, executive director of Iowa Biotechnology Association

News staff...

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Bettendorf Rotary resources

Hot links where you can find answers to many questions about Rotary.

The history of Bettendorf Rotary, and more:
<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/local.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary in the community:
<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/community.htm>
Bettendorf Rotary's current officers:
<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/current.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary's committees and their chairs:
<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/committ.htm>

Links to Rotary International, Rotary Foundation, Polio Plus... and more:
<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/links.htm>

Link to District 6000's Website:
www.rotary6000.org

