



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
June 19, 2013, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, June 26, 2013, at
Fortune Garden Restaurant

The gavel will pass...
... from Mark Ross to Chelsea Powers,
the BRC president for 2013-14.



Last meeting:
Wednesday, June 19, 2013



**Mary Mosiman flanked by Gov. Branstad and
Lt. Gov. Reynolds at May 13, 2013, news
conference after her appointment as auditor.**

'Iowa's budget on the right track'

Saying she was following the example of her predecessor, David Vaught, our June 19 speaker, **Mary Mosiman**, Iowa's newly appointed auditor of state, said she was "taking information on the budget to the people."

After explaining what the state auditor does – financial audits of state agencies, departments and the Regents universities; oversight of audits of counties, cities, community colleges and school districts; performance audits of agencies ("Do they deliver their intended services?"); special investigations, and more – Mary delivered some bits of "good news" about Iowa's financial condition:

→ Iowa adheres to sound budgeting principles, such as year-to-year comparability, sustainable funding over time, making sure every necessary item is

funded and communication “that is understandable by non-CFOs.”

→The gap between revenues and expenditures has been shrinking recently.
→The practice of shifting expenditures to one-time revenue sources, such as federal stimulus monies, is diminishing – and projected to decrease even more in the next several years.

Mary answered the summary question – “Is Iowa’s budget on the right track?” – with an emphatic: “Yes.” While noting recent improvements, she admitted to the need for more improvement and challenges ahead, such as the \$7 billion unfunded liability in Iowa’s public-employee pension fund, and a continuing (although slightly decreasing) reliance on federal funding sources.

Still, in answer to a member’s question about comparing her job to that of the Illinois state auditor, Mary responded, “I’m happy to be an Iowan.”

Announcements...



→‘We have a tent’: **President Mark** thanked **Chris Glass** for obtaining the club’s 10-by-10 pop-up tent, which attractively promotes Bettendorf Rotary, and assigned a “new members

project” – having red-badge wearers find a way to prominently use the tent during Bettendorf’s Old Fashioned 4th of July celebration.

→**Run with Carl: Dick Schillig** – noting 75 days to Labor Day – announced that **Mike Volbrecht** has volunteered to

coordinate the Run with Carl volunteers. Dick thanked **Jay Willsher** and Trinity Regional Health System for providing the pedometers for the Rotary in Motion warm-up for RWC. For RIM, Dick



picked **Dave Falk** (BRC president 1988-89) to head one team of walkers/runners/bikers – and Dave promptly tapped two other ex-presidents, **Scott Naumann** (2011-12) and **Nicole McWilliams**

(2008-09) to captain the other two teams. Warm up your sneakers – the trudging begins in July.

→**John Deere Classic: Chris Glass** said it’s “the last chance” to become a volunteer marshal. He’ll send out a final email reminder with a link to sign up. Or email **Jeff Hassel** at jhassel@davchc.com or go to <http://bettendorffrotary.com/JDC-Signup>.

→**Bridge update: Lee Semenov** reported that “our bridge in Nicaragua is scheduled to be completed next week.” He noted there had been a small setback – a 6.4 earthquake yesterday – but the project is still on track.



Jon Ryan
Happy \$\$...
(Named to honor the late Bettendorf Rotarian, master punster and Sven & Oley jokester)

President Mark collected \$170 for our Foundations. Happy \$\$ poured from

John Rabine – apparently feeling guilty after 3 weeks absent, including one in Key West, Fla., thanks to clever bidding at last year’s LobsterFest... **Tom Howard** – “thanks for the prayers” and “glad to be back” after four procedures, including a bypass and aortic valve replacement... **Harry Coin** – 5th anniversary as a Big Brother... **Chris Glass** – June 27 open house, 4-6 p.m., at the newly rebranded Terrostar Interactive Media, with expanded services... **Decker Ploehn** – glad to see **Lora Adams** back + the JDC “is a pretty big deal... 42 years on the PGA tour... come and see it”... **Lora Adams** – rejoining BRC (will we get The News again?)... **Jerry Felsing** – son was married on LobsterFest weekend... **Rich James** – happy to see Gail and Lora... **Fred Anderson** – proud papa moment: Son Matthew named to the BHS Hall of Honor... His Honor **Bob Gallagher** – also named to BHS Hall of Honor... **Tim Downing** – “Here’s \$10 – I’m glad they’re joining me” in the Hall.



The meeting opened...

President Mark Ross kicked off the meeting by leading the recitation of the 4-Way Test. **Tom Howard**, back from a bit of cardiac repair work, led the singing of the day’s patriotic song, “God Bless America.”

After Moments of Reflection, Tom returned – with piano accompanist **Gail**



Baldwin – to lead some more singing: “Sing Out a Song of Rot’ry” and “In the Good Old Summer-time.”

Secretary Chuck introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

- Eric Striegel, Cedar Rapids: Consultant
- Jon Christiansen, Moline: Industrial Supplies Distributor
- Merle Anderson, North Scott: Agricultural Marketing
- Duncan Cameron, Naples, Fla.: Beer Distributor

Guests:

- Kay Howard with **Tom Howard**
- Steve Pensinger & Barrett Scorpill – who have volunteered to work as John Deere Classic marshals – with **Alexei Bibik**

Missing...

- K. Adams-3, Ashby-3, Boeye-5, Bowe-25, Brown-25, Bush, Chambers-3, G. Coin-3, Daley, DeDoncker, Deuth, Dickson-3, Dobesh-3, Duda-3, Edwards-25, Eikenberry-3, Ellstrom-25, Franks-4, Gallagher Sr., Gudgel, Habenicht-2, Harrison-3, Hassel-3, Hinton-2, Kappeler-5, Kass, Kellenberger-2, Kennedy-17, Kraft, Lokenvitz, Loweth-2, Lizak, L. Miller-2, Mitvalsky-4, Murphy-25, Nelson-10, Olson, Rabine-4, Salm-2, Saul, Scranton-3, Spelhaug, Volbrecht, Werner-4, Windmiller-8, Worley-11

Make up at another QC club...

Monday, noon: Davenport – The Outing Club
Monday, noon: Moline – Christ the King Catholic Church
Monday, 6 p.m.: QC Illinois – Arbor Village Club House, Moline
Tuesday, 7:15 a.m.: River Cities – Brothers Restaurant, Rapid City
Tuesday, noon: Rock Island – QC Botanical Center
Wednesday, noon: **Bettendorf** – Fortune Garden Restaurant
Wednesday, 5 p.m.: Mini Meet – Lunardi’s Restaurant, Davenport
Thursday, 7 a.m.: Iowa Quad Cities – The Lodge, Bettendorf
Thursday, noon: East Moline – Christ United Methodist Church
Thursday, noon: Milan – Pinnacle Country Club
Friday, noon: North Scott – Steeplegate Inn, Davenport

to **Scott Naumann** for shooting a few pix last week): Fred Anderson...
Correspondent: Chuck Mooney...
Webmeister/Web-site host: Chris Glass

For more on Bettendorf Rotary Club:
<http://www.bettendorfrotrary.com/>

Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, scottn@midlandcom.com, 445-4260. All ideas for future programs are most gratefully accepted.

June 26: Annual Gavel Exchange

July 3: Dave Woods: Veterans’ affairs... Honor Flight... Veterans Memorial Park

July 10: Patti McCrae: Quad Cities Animal Welfare, Milan

July 17: Scott Tunnickliff: Harrison Hilltop redevelopment update

July 24: Brian Schmidt: Bettendorf public works director

July 31: Mary Pruess, new general manager, WQPT-TV

August Membership Month:

Aug. 7: Carol Foster, Handicapped Development Center

Aug. 14: Quad City Symphony Director Benjamin Loeb

Aug. 21: Rob Woodall, director of manufacturing, ALCOA

Pending: Iowa Secretary of State Matt Schultz

News staff...

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