



**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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