

# THE SUNRISE SIGNAL *January 3, 2008*

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## PROGRAMS

Today – Alan Steckman  
Iowa Caucus Process

Jan 10<sup>th</sup> – T B A



Rotarian(s) of the Month will:

Give the Classification Talk the first week of the month

- Greet guests and give the prayer for each meeting during the month

Jan – Cal Dickson  
Bev Eckholt

Feb – Gerry McKervey  
Diane Horning

## Upcoming events

**Basketball Tournament**  
**January 26<sup>th</sup>**

*We need everyone working to  
make this a success*

## *WHAT YOU MISSED* *If you were absent*

**Brad Sabin** manager of the recently opened Manly Iowa ethanol distribution facility discussed the business operation.

Brad is a member of a family with roots in the rail business, who currently own the Iowa Northern Rail Road, which runs from Manly to Cedar Rapids. Using this background as a base, and partnering with LBT transport of Buffalo Center the center became a reality about 18 months ago. Sitting on 107 acres just north of Manly, and adjacent to a north south rail line, some 20, 000,000 gallons of ethanol will flow through the center annually, when fully operational.

Currently employing 7 full time employees, they will soon be operating 24/7 with employment expected to reach approximately 21.

Further expansions in the early planning stages will continue to provide even more employment opportunities.

Brad who until recently was working in Chicago, has moved his family to Clear Lake.

He stated that most of the construction forces used during the

build out were local businesses and his company plans to continue to use local services whenever possible.

The central location within the ethanol production business made Manly an ideal site for collecting the product and then reshipping via full train loads of up to 75 cars will save several cents per gallon to the producers.

Most of the product is now being transported to the eastern part of the country. Future plans envision using barge traffic to send product from New Orleans to the Florida coast, because of the very congested rail services currently available in Florida.



**Brad Sabin**

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