

THE SUNRISE SIGNAL *Jan 22, 2009*

Rotary Founded February 23, 1905 Club Chartered June 14, 1990

Rotary Monthly Theme: **Rotary Awareness**

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PROGRAMS

**Jan 22nd -- Basketball
Tournament Planning Session –
Rich Malinaric**

**Jan 29th – Lee Olson
Project Amigo**

Rotarian(s) of the Month

**Jan – Lynn Ptacek
Mike Johnston**

**Feb – Shelly Schmit
Troy Swanson**

January Birthday

Vicki Hornbuckle—Jan 28th



**Courtney Sgontz
Student of the Month**

Courtney introduced herself to the club, telling us she is a senior at MC Alternative High School. Her goal is to attend NIACC for 2 years and then transfer to UNI to complete her

education and become a teacher. She works part-time at Carlos O’Kelly. Be sure to welcome Courtney.

WHAT YOU MISSED IF ABSENT

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN:
FEB 27TH...**

**Youth Basketball Tournament
Jan 31st NIACC
Need **everybody**
working...**

Rich reports we will be using the new NIACC Rec Center for the BB tournament games. Help find sponsors @ \$100 each. This adds to our event profits.

Scott Tournquist brought Mary Markwalter as his guest. Mary is the M C Library Director.

Brett Schoneman, a local realtor was also a guest. He was invited by Bev Eckholt.

OUR PROGRAM

Mark Hewitt, President and CEO of Clear Lake Bank and Trust spoke to us as a member for the Federal Reserve Board, Chicago area. As

one of 9 members he meets 8 times per year to discuss issues related to our national economy. The “FED” was legislated into being in 1913 by the Federal government.

The board has 3 primary areas of interest, Employment, Inflation Rate & Long Term Interest Rates. Mark rated their performance in Inflation and Interest Rates as A+, but graded themselves an “F” in employment.

While North Central Iowa is somewhat insulated from the economic woes we are experiencing, it is all relative. Mark does believe we have hit bottom and recovery should be seen perhaps as early as late 2009, but more likely in 2010-11.

Mark was elected to the Fed Board to serve a 3 year term and could succeed himself for one additional term.



Mark Hewitt

CLUB LEADERSHIP 2008-2009

President: Gary Herrig
P E: Bev Eckholt: 2011
V P: OPEN
Sec/Treas: John DiMarco

Past Pres: Vicki Hornbuckle ‘09
Diane Horning: 2009
Jennifer Farwell: 2009
Bob Friedrichs: 2010

Sue Followwill: 2010
Lee Olson: 2011
Mary Cooley: 2011

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