

# ROTAGRAM

**“Rotary Shares”  
DISTRICT 5970**

**August 27, 2007  
Mason City Rotary**

## LAST MEETING

Name                      Guest of:

### **Visiting Rotarians:**

Dennis Burke              Clear Lake

### **Visitors:**

Isaiah Baker	Mick Baker
Nick Baker	Mick Baker
Zach Baker	Mick Baker
Tony LaRosa	Kathye Gaines
Josi Barness	Rosie Hussey

**Today’s Program:** District Governor Visit

**Last Week’s Program:** Judge Gerald McGee, Juvenile Court Judge and Susan McKinnis, CASA Coordinator were our guest speakers today. Judge McGee covers 8 counties for juvenile court that works with adoption, mental health for minors, parental rights as well as child abuse and delinquents. The first priority is the safety and protection of children. There is no jury. Judge McGee noted that 20% or less of the cases he rules on are delinquency cases with the majority cases being abuse & neglect of children. In 1996, CASA was started in Mason City to train volunteers to represent the best interests of children in abuse and neglect cases. They are appointed by the judge and report only to the judge which helps in his rulings.

### August Birthdays—Happy Birthday Rotarians

Dalena Barz	Tim Becker
Lyle Bergo	Rhonda Coborn
Paul Gordon	Francis Holland
Robert Lembke	Ann MacGregor
Scott Shipman	Dick Winga
Larry Zilge	

### **Upcoming Programs/Meetings:**

September Programs – John Morgan, Chair

*Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Labor Day – No Meeting!*

*Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> – Amanda Ragan, Community Kitchen*

*Sept. 17 – Jean McAleer, Francis Lauer  
Sept. 24 – Major Lori Wright, Salvation Army  
Tour \*\*\*\*The tour will begin at 11:30 a.m.  
followed by lunch and a program in the Chapel*

**Makeups online ----**

<http://www.mcnoonrotary.org/makeups.html>

### **NOTICE:**

The following emails are to be used for any communication to our Club Secretary and Club Treasurer.

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District website – [www.district5970.org](http://www.district5970.org)

Our website -- [www.mcnoonrotary.org](http://www.mcnoonrotary.org)

*Our pianist will be leaving August 27<sup>th</sup> for college. We are looking for a new pianist – if anyone is interested or knows someone who is, please contact Kay Rathmann.*

### Rotary Officers & Board Members

Greg Benedict-President	
Hal Hofman-President Elect	David Haas
Margo Underwood-Past President	Brenda Harms
Mary Hackman-Glenn-Treasurer	Jean Schilling
Michael Fiala- Secretary	Kathye Gaines
Bobbi Bendickson	John Morgan
Nicki Bleakney	Kathy Barlas

### **Bill Killpack Memorial Butterfly Sun Dial**

**CENTRAL GARDENS’ LATEST  
SCULPTURE**

The latest sculpture addition to Central Gardens of North Iowa is a beautifully unique sundial created in honor of Bill Killpack, known as “Mr. Rotary”. The butterfly designed sundial was appropriately placed in the Butterfly Garden named by Roger and Gail Haringa.

Sundials served as ancient timepieces. This particular sundial pattern was created by H. Milton Duesenberg from a design he and Bruce

Vrchota had made for a large metal and rock sculpture located in northeast Clear Lake. Duesenberg explained that what is important to a sundial is the sloping edge on top called a gnomon. "The edge has to be straight and the base has to be level and horizontal," he said. "The angle is based on the latitude of Clear Lake, 43 degrees 9 minutes, which makes the gnomon parallel to the pole of the earth and the time is based on Central Standard Time," Duesenberg described.

Laurence Fredriksen of Fredriksen Welding and Mike Connor did the execution of the butterfly design in wrought iron with J.B. Barnhouse of Country Stone Masons, carving the Iowa limestone base. Julie and Bruce Steinberg of North Iowa Collision donated the refinish painting.

The sundial was made possible by major donations from Mason City Sunrise Rotary Club, Mason City Noon Rotary Club and from individual Rotary members, former employers and friends of Bill Killpack. Killpack was a past President of the Mason City Noon Rotary and District Governor of 5970 Rotary. He had over thirty years of perfect attendance at Rotary. He loved Central Gardens of North Iowa so much that he served on the fundraising committee up until the time of his death. Area Rotary Clubs have helped in creating many of the unique features in Central Gardens, which will be enjoyed for generations to come.

For more information on making a gift to Central Gardens, please contact

Capital Campaign Chairs Jim and Ann Kuhlman  
(641-423-3592)

Honorary Chairs Bob and Donna Furleigh (641-357-4097)

Or the Central Gardens office at (641-357-1938)

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