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THIS FRIDAY AT THE STEEPLEGATE

Mike Campbell

General Manager - Menards - Davenport

20 years with Menards

7 different stores

Born in Oskaloosa, Iowa

Graduated from Oskaloosa High School

BBA in Business Administration and Marketing, University of Dubuque, Dubuque, IA

MBA Drake University, Des Moines, IA

Mike will tell us of Menards corporate philosophy, Davenport store growth, and all that is coming in the new store to serve Davenport.



John Pheiffer has asked for a some of his speech to be sent to all club members. The Board of Directors has had discussions on these same issues.

John Pheiffer says: Now let's talk Rotary:

When I was manager of the Bettendorf Chamber of Commerce, Tom Howard, a manufacturer's representative had an office in the same building and invited me to Rotary.

Now you have to understand that I am of the old school Rotary and things were really different then. Only 1 member could represent a vocation, a second one only if the first one allowed it. Vocations were not broken down like they are done today.

When I joined, the meetings were from 12 noon to 1:30. If you missed a meeting, you had better turn in a Rotary slip where you attended either the week before or the week after. They really monitored your attendance.

I was told that Rotary was just not another service club, it was for Professionals and business people only, that cared about their community. I was also told that if you did not have 1 1/2 hours each week for Rotary, perhaps you should reconsider being a Rotarian. Early leaving was really frowned upon. I know when I thought I was going to have to be an early leaver, I did not go and then made up.

With regard to early leavers, there is nothing more embarrassing when you are the program chairman, you are ready to introduce your program and a third or more members get up and leave early. I know that many of you program chairmen have had the same sick feeling. Please take the time, stay and learn.

I was elected President of the Bettendorf Rotary. Wow, what a year, I got to attend my first International Rotary convention. I was impressed and I wish each one of you could attend a convention.

At the end of my year as Bettendorf Rotary president, I started working for a Bank in Des Moines Iowa as a business development officer. I attended the Des Moines Rotary Club and apparently I sat in Harry's chair and he had to sit elsewhere that day. No one at the table would hardly visit with me. I decided to join the NW Des Moines Rotary club which has a personality more like ours.

Returned to the Davenport area in 1973. Someone found out that I was coming back and Bob Bawden contacted me and asked if I would help form the North Scott Rotary instead of going back to Bettendorf. Liking new challenges, I agreed to do that.

We were chartered in the fall of 1973, Dan Whalen served as the first president and I followed as president the following June. Yes, that night, they stole the charter from me at the installation banquet. Several weeks later, after much concern, I put the word out that I had to have it back.

At a later meeting Jack Albrecht came forward and said John we have the charter for you. He started to hand the charter to me, as he did, he dropped it, stepped forward and put his foot right through it. He had a sick look on his face, said I am sorry, and handed me a sack of broken glass and frame. Needless to say I was really upset until one of the officers looked in the sack, started laughing and said John there is no charter in here. Then they gave me the original.

I decided I was going to get even and have some fun. Upon forming a secret committee for the next year we successfully got that charter each year thereafter. There were times I did not think we would get it. We made a production out of returning it, at a function where the wives were present to witness our show. We had a lady come to a Pork Chop Fry at Roy Keppy's store in Eldridge, dressed as a fairy, in her long white dress, with a wand that had a large star on it, sang to Roy giving him the charter. I am glad that Roy did not find out who did that to him. We had Disneyland characters present the charter. That is how the fake charter got signed by Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse.

The biggest production we ever made was when president, Carl Stigdon, was installed at our installation banquet and I convinced him to chain and lock the charter case to one of our members after he received it, Carl did not know this individual was a member of our team, Mike Langen. I told Carl that after the dinner we would give it back to him. The locked chain had one detachable link, and when Mike went into the kitchen, I unfastened the chain and took the charter. Mike then went back into the meeting looking really roughed up and explained he had been robbed by the biggest woman he had ever seen. She had broken the chain.

For 6 months after that, the club received a letter each month to President Carl and Mike Langen read it at our meeting, the woman was demanding ransom for the Charter. At the Valentine's banquet we chose to return the charter and we had Tom Yates dress as a woman. Now Tom was a huge man, and Merle Anderson told Tom that he wanted him to be the ugliest woman that God ever created – Tom replied, no problem.

When Tom came into the room to present the charter, huge dress, big blond wig, overloaded with makeup, really ugly, she told the Carl that she was just sad that Carl had quite calling her after he was elected president and she wanted to get even. Carl's face really got red. Just as Tom handed the charter to the Carl he grabbed Carl's face with both hands and planted a big kiss on his cheek. Carl was just mortified for a second then he recovered his composure!

I was honored that I was asked to join Rotary. Each week sitting at a table with other Business men and women, who care about our community, sharing a few stories, listening to opinions as to what is going on in the community and world, enjoying the antics of the Sergeant of Arms and finishing up with outstanding programs.

I learned what all was being done to promote the Quad City area. We became educated on the various civic and social concerns. We always had the best programs and that was the reason so many other Rotarians made up at our club, we had few early leavers and our membership grew. We felt that we were the number 1 Rotary Club in the area. I can remember the first auction we put together, everyone and their neighbors junk, then the committee decided if we were going to make any money we had to upgrade, which they did, and look how wonderful it has turned out and the money we have raised to support community projects. Our club does well for our community and also helping the youth with scholarships.

I just want you to remember that your classification was loaned to you to be a member of Rotary because we felt you truly represented your vocation in good standing and would be an asset to our club. Cherish it and return the favor. Invite someone and let them share the true meaning of Rotary, you both will be better for it.

John Pheiffer

**Rotary International President
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Make ups available at nearby Rotary Clubs

Monday, Noon Clinton, Rastrelli's Restaurant, Lyons
Monday, Noon Davenport Outing Club, 2109 N. Brady St.
Monday, 12:10 pm Muscatine, Hotel Muscatine 101 W. Miss Dr
Monday, 12:15 pm Moline, Trinity Lutheran Church 1313 13th Ave
Monday, 6:00 pmQuad Cities Illinois, Hy Vee 42nd Ave, Moline
Tuesday, 7:15 am River Cities, Brothers Restaurant, Rapids City, IL
Tuesday, noon Rock Island, QC Botanical Center
Wednesday Noon Bettendorf, Fortune Garden
Wednesday, Noon Tipton, 1143 Cedar Valley Rd
Wednesday, 4:30 pm Ridgecrest, 4134 Northwest Blvd, Davenport
Wednesday 5:00 pm ..North Scott Mini-Meet at Rustic Ridge Eldridge
Thursday, 7:00 amIowa Quad Cities, The Lodge, Bettendorf
Thursday, 12:15 pmEast Moline, Christ United Methodist Church
Thursday, Noon Milan, Pinnacle Country Club
Friday Noon North Scott, Steeplegate Inn, Davenport.

**NORTH SCOTT ROTARY
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Friday, January 10: 10:45 A.M. Board of Directors Meeting. (Before regular meeting). NOTE CHANGE!!

Friday, January 10: Program: Mike Campbell; General Manager of the new Davenport Menards Store. Rich Horst, Host.

Friday, January 17: Program: Ken Spranger: West End Project for less fortunate children of Davenport. Scott Case, Host.

Saturday, January 18: Special Olympics Basketball Skills at North Scott High School. Opening ceremonies at 8:30 A.M. in the Pit. Skill competition begins at 9 A.M., so arrive by 8:40 A.M. for your assignments.

January 18-19: Youth Exchange Winter Retreat at Camp Wesley Woods, Indianola, IA.

Friday, January 24: Program: Mike Vondran: Hav Life. Arranged by Steve Powell. Eric Langan, Host.

Friday, January 31: Program to be scheduled by Bill Tubbs.

Friday, February 7: Program: Cathy O'Keeffe with Braking Traffik; Human Trafficking in the Quad Cities. Margo McInnis, Host. February Birthdays celebrated. Junior Rotarians present.

Friday, February 14: 10:45 A.M. Board of Directors Meeting. (Before regular meeting). NOTE CHANGE!!

Friday, February 21: Program: Presentation by DG Jacque Andrew and PDG Cal Litwiller, District Foundation Chair to significant donor in North Scott Rotary. Junior Rotarians present.

Saturday, February 22: 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. Grant Management Seminar, West Liberty Community Center.

Friday, February 28: Program to be scheduled by Rich Horst. Junior Rotarians Present.

Friday, March 7: Program: Rusty Boroff with the I-80 Zone. Scott Case, Host. March Birthdays celebrated. Junior Rotarians present.

MAKE UPS TURNED IN

December 18: Bill Tubbs: Rotary Club of Maquoketa
December 27: Bill Tubbs: Rotary Club of Galena, IL
January 3: Merle Anderson: Rotary Club of Catalina, Tucson, AZ
January 3: Elza Sager: Rotary Club

ASSIGNMENTS

January 10: Set up/tear down: Greg Schaapveld; Greeters: Gene Meyer & Ken Tank; Song Leader: Jan Trimble; Piano: Marguerite Holzworth; Invocation: Jan Trimble; Sergeant: Patrick Olsen

January 17: Set up/tear down: Peterson; Greeters: Glen Keppy & Jillian Townsell; Song Leader: Angela Reese; Piano: Carol Bordner; Invocation: Jim Koehler; Sergeant: John Maxwell

January 24: Set up/tear down: Don Brandt; Greeters: Scott Kurtz & Lindsay Thul; Song Leader: Paul Holzworth; Piano: Cody Birely; Invocation: John Pfeiffer; Sergeant: Bill Tubbs

January 31: Set up/tear down: Jerry Coussens; Greeters: Eric Langan & Jan Trimble; Song Leader: Jan Trimble; Piano: Tewanta Lopez; Invocation: Scott Case; Sergeant: Cody Allen

February 7: Set up/tear down: Rick Dywiak; Greeters: Jody Johnston-Mohr & Roger Amhof; Song Leader: Mike Thavenet; Piano: Cathie Strieter; Invocation: Jan Trimble; Sergeant: Eric Langan

February 14: Set up/tear down: Glen Keppy; Greeters: Fred Mulch & Mike Auliff; Invocation: Rev. Rich Pokora

February 21: Set up/tear down: Greg Schaapveld; Greeters: Patrick Olsen & Josh Cobie; Song Leader: Jody Johnston-Mohr; Piano: Carol Bordner; Invocation: Jan Trimble; Sergeant: John Maxwell

February 28: Set up/tear down: Jim Smith; Greeters: Leroy Paustian & Dick Cole; Song Leader: Angela Reese; Piano: Tewanta Lopez; Invocation: Jim Koehler; Sergeant: Margo McInnis

Thank You Notes Received

**I would like to thank the North Scott Rotary Club for the Christmas gift for serving as your treasurer.
Steve Fahrenkrog**

To Rotary Club of North Scott,

Thank you for the North Scott recognition in the area of writing and literature. I am humbled to hang (the Fine Arts award) in my office.

Working with cooperative administration, supportive parents, and North Scott students was fun, challenging, and rewarding. Thank you.

Phyllis Green

Thanks to your club newsletter, I heard of the help your club provided to the family in need at Christmas. Wonderful response and all the more reason to build relationships...to serve.

Best to you and your wonderful club in the New Year!

**Jacque Andrew
Governor, 2013-14**

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LAST WEEK

LAST MEETING – January 3, 2014 – Membership Day

Past President and Membership Chairman, Charlie Jones, returned the North Scott Rotary charter to the club on Friday. It had not been seen by the past two presidents, Becky Bray and John Maxwell. It has a mysterious way of disappearing and moving locations. Apparently it has been safe the past two and a half years, with Charlie.

Charter member John Pheiffer gave a very interesting recap of history about North Scott Rotary. He was the club's second president and told about how things have changed over the past 40 years. Steve Fahrenkrog presided in the absence of vacationing Steve Suiter.

Fifty attended on Friday, as we celebrated the January birthday (only one present) of Eric Langan. Present was visiting Rotarian, Dave Borcharding of Iowa Quad Cities Rotary. Also prospective members Andy Green and Ken Ockerman. Margo McInnis was the sergeant and collected \$88 in fines. Jan Trimble donated \$25 to the education fund in honor of her anniversary.

The 4 Way Test
Of the things we THINK SAY or DO

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?