



The Bettendorf Rotary Club News
**Jan. 7th, 2008. Guests Welcome at our next meeting, Wed.,
Jan. 14th, 2008 Noon at the Fortune Garden. Featuring:**

Lori Caruso of the Sonderstrom Skin Institute



Lori Caruso of Soderstrom Skin Institute is our next speaker and will discuss cancer prevention and maintaining healthy skin.

Each of us probably knows someone who has first hand experience with Melanoma. What you may not know is that it also effects children, so the topic is certainly important to everyone. It is estimated there will be 116,500 new cases of melanoma diagnosed in the United States this year in people of all ages; 8,420 of these cases will be fatal.

For 35 years, Soderstrom Skin Institute has been committed to educating patients, as well as the community, about healthy skin. About 25 years ago, Soderstrom Skin Institute began Free Skin Cancer Screenings as a humanitarian effort for early detection of cancer as seen in atypical spots and changing moles.

Moles or spots that have changed in size, shape, or color, that have irregular borders that vary in color, or that are larger than a pencil eraser, should be examined. It is estimated that one in every 69 people will have a melanoma.

The earlier melanoma is detected and removed, the better a patient's chance for survival. "If you can spot it, you can stop it," says Dr. Carl Soderstrom.

To learn more, please visit www.skinnews.com and www.skindimensionsonline.com.

Rotary News and Announcements



Nicole McWilliams
President

We opened our meeting with the singing of "America the Beautiful", followed by several moments of silence for personal reflection. On a sad note, please remember David DeDoncker, 76, a longtime East Moline resident, died Tuesday at a hospital in Goodyear, Ariz.

The next Board meeting is January 13th at 5:30 p.m. at the BETTENDORF YMCA.

Jon Ryan
The News



Tom Howard

Tom shared a nice thank you note from one of the recipients of our Christmas Basket program. The family said the basket and gifts restored their faith in human generosity. Mother and kids sang the letter.



Kevin Kraft

Kevin Kraft reported that the Boys & Girls Club received \$300 from Rotary to replace the pool table felt. Nicole McWilliams took it to the next level when her Father-in-law installed the new covering for the Boys & Girls Club. He received a \$50 Texas Road House certificate for his effort. Sounds like it was WIN-WIN for everyone. Thank you Rotary members for donating the funds.



Harry Coin
Sergeant-at-arms

Collected \$138 for our foundations.



Tom Howard
and
Carter LeBeau

Leading Rotary songs with Bernie Vogel at the piano.



Additional News

Bettendorf Rotary Charitable Giving Fund



Last week President Nicole McWilliams presented checks to the Charities that were funded by the proceeds from the 2008 Lobsterfest. It's always rewarding to see your efforts acknowledged, so this will be an opportunity to see Rotary at its best. Among the charities represented at the meeting, and funded with Lobsterfest dollars was:

1. Alternatives for the Older for \$1,500.
2. The American Red Cross of the Quad Cities Area for \$1,200.
3. Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Mississippi Valley for \$1,500.
4. Boys and Girls Club of the Mississippi Valley for \$2,500.
5. Camp Courageous of Iowa for \$2,500.
6. Child Abuse Council for \$2,500.
7. Children's Therapy Center of the Quad Cities for \$1,800.
8. The Pleasant Valley High School Cheerleaders for \$1,500.

Thanks to everyone who made Lobsterfest so successful.

Bettendorf 2008 Rotary Christmas Party Crow Valley Country Club





Thank you Lisa Brown for organizing a great Holiday event!



We want to wish you all.....

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR



LOBSTERFEST "CLAWING" WELL FOR 2009 SUCCESS



Committee members, (Rich James, Rick Hartsock, Ann Kappeler, Kevin Kraft, Nicole McWilliams, Carter LeBeau, Carl Loweth, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Scott Naumann, Frank Schwab, Ken Vandersnick, and Chairman Frank Mitvalsky), held their first meeting on 1/8/09.

Lobsterfest is 5 short months away and the early news is very encouraging. The National Bank is again committed to be "Presenting Sponsor", with other sponsors pending. The

committee discussed some excellent ideas for 2009 including securing more auction items, using grants awarded from the 2008 event to attract new sponsors, and ways to utilize all the talented people we have in our club.

This is the third year for Lobsterfest, and the committee acknowledged it is quickly becoming a local favorite, and certainly the Signature Event for our club. No launch date for ticket sales was identified at the meeting, but ideas including "Save the Date" cards should insure another huge turnout.

Look for the "Ticket Thermometer" to visually track our progress toward the goal of 300 tickets! Start making your list now for those you will approach for ticket purchase? Let's take this opportunity to thank all the committee members for working so hard to make Lobsterfest a success.

Stayed tuned for further updates.

Lobsterfest Sponsored by...

**THE NATIONAL
BANK**

Visiting Rotarians & Guest

Betsy Pratt, Davenport, Red Cross
Jim Stein, Muscatine, Vet
Larry Minard, Davenport, School
Foundation. Jeff Brummel with Scott
Naumann (kit)

MISSING TODAY

Adams, Bowe, Calabrese, Cameron, Cass
Coley, DeDoncker, Dobesh, Downing,
Eikenberry, Ellstrom, Freemire, Freese,
Gallagher, Heinrich, Jahn, Kempton, Koos,
Legare, Larsen, Leutwyler, Link, Lofgren,
L.Miller, Nanda, Pelecky, Rossmiller,
Selden, Sherrick, Spyrow, St.Laurent,
Swan, Tyler, Worley

Make Ups

Carter LeBeau at Davenport
Pat Eikenberry at Iowa Quad Cities
At today's committee meetings ... Phil
Kinsley, Joe Douglas, Greg Blaske, Scott
Tunncliff, Jim Spelhaug, Jerry Felsing, Diane
Ricketts-McCool, Brian Kennedy, Jon Ryan,
Dave Falk, Jeff Hassel, Steve Pieart, Decker
Ploehn, Lisa Brown, Fred Anderson, David
Death, Carl Loweth, Tom Ahlstrand, Steve
Habenicht, Ann Kappeler



*From Mr. Brian Kennedy,
program chairman:*

Upcoming Featured Speakers

- **January 28th** : Quad
City Arts, Santa Cruz
River Bend program

Please use this news!

*Invite prospective new
members who might appreciate
our speakers.*

Lunch and program only \$8 per
visitor, payable at the door.

Make up a meeting at nearby Rotary Clubs:

Monday, noon.....Davenport The Outing Club
Monday, noon.....Moline-Calvary Church of the Quad Cities
Monday, 6 pm.....QC Illinois-Moline Club
Tuesday, 7:15 am..... River Cities-Brothers Rest. Rapid City
Tuesday, noon.....Rock Island - QC Botanical Ctr.
Wednesday, noon.....Bettendorf-Fortune Garden
Wednesday, 5 pm.....Mini Meet-Lunardi's
Thursday, 7 am.....IA Quad Cities-The Lodge
Thursday, noon...East Moline-Christ United Methodist Church
Thursday, noon.....Milan-Milan Community Center
Friday, noon.....North Scott-Steeplegate Inn

