



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Jan. 26, 2011, issue

Next meeting:
Noon Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011, at
The Fortune Garden Restaurant

**A closer look at
Scott County
conservation**

Scott County parks offer a variety of outdoor recreational opportunities, as well as providing habitat for many animal species.



Roger Kean, executive director of the county's Conservation

Board, will update us at the Feb. 2 meeting on all of the parks' programs.

Roger has been executive director of the Conservation Board since 1998, when he succeeded the late Dan Nagle. He began his career with Scott County Conservation in 1980 as a park manager at West Lake Park. He was named deputy director and operations manager in 1996.

A 1980 graduate of Upper Iowa University with a degree in biology and conservation recreation management,

Roger holds memberships in a number of organizations related to his work.

Last meeting:
Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2010

**Charity Board gives
\$15,000 to 11 groups**

Our own Charitable Giving Board faced a daunting task when it came time to decide which organizations would receive grants in this third year of making awards. "We received 40 requests totaling \$82,267," said **Ann Kappeler**, the board secretary, "but we were challenged to make the awards based upon the available funding."

In the end BRC awarded a total of \$15,000 to 11 not-for-profit organizations that serve the Quad-City community, and a representative of each of them told us about their work as they accepted their grant at the Jan. 26 meeting. They were:



→ **American Red Cross – Eileen Ryan** received a check for \$1,800 for health and safety training for youth and teen volunteer-service programs at eight school-based Red Cross Clubs.



→ **Asbury United Methodist Church – Dave Phillips** – \$1,800: Garden Ministry, which grows fresh vegetables for local food pantries, homeless shelters and community

kitchens.



→ **Ballet Quad Cities – Jason Gomez** – \$2,000: Production of “The Ugly Duckling” and the group’s in-school enrichment program, which will bring an anti-bullying message to

19 elementary schools in Davenport.



→ **CASI (Center for Active Seniors Inc.) – Tom Bahls** – \$1,000: Money-management program for low-income and disabled seniors who have difficulty with personal finances.



→ **Churches United of the Quad Cities Area – Ron Quay** – \$1,250: Emergency shelter for homeless children who are seeking shelter with their mothers at Winnie’s Place, Davenport.



→ **HELP Legal Services – Linda Mollyneaux** – \$750: Printing equipment and supplies for the agency that provides free legal

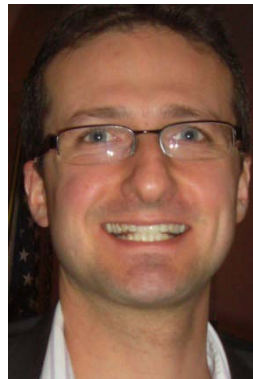
services to low-income clients.



→ **Our House Preschool – Dee James** – \$1,800: Tuition-free summer preschool program for 15 at-risk students in an inner-city Davenport neighborhood.



→ **Project NOW Inc. – Leigh Eggar** – \$600: To provide three free books to each child of very low-income families in the “Reading is Fundamental – Literacy in the Classroom” program.



→ **Quad Cities Symphony – Jeff Von Saul** – \$1,000: “Hot Dog! We’re Going to the Symphony!” in which middle- and high school students attend a symphony dress rehearsal, enabling

them to interact with musicians.



→ **Salvation Army – Maj. Gary Felton** – \$2,000: The Family Service Center Computer Lab gives Internet and computer access to the homeless at the shelter

for homework and job searches.



→ **WVIK** – **Jennifer Blohm** – \$1,000: Expansion of APRIS (Augustana Public Radio Information Service), through which the visually impaired hear the reading of local and national

newspapers via specially tuned radio receivers.

The Charitable Giving Board accepts applications each fall from non-profit organizations that provide basic human services, serve youth or meet local community needs. The funds for this and other philanthropies come largely from our annual LobsterFest.

The meeting opened...

President Jeff Hassel led members as they recited “The 4-Way Test” and sang the day’s patriotic song, “America the Beautiful.” After Moments of Reflection, during which we learned of the illness of former **President Fay Clow**, the singing resumed under the *a cappella* direction of **Carter LeBeau**: we sang the 2nd and 4th verses of “America the Beautiful.”

Secretary Chuck introduced: Visiting Rotarian...:

Bill Cameron, Keokuk: Public Education

... and guests:

Todd Ashby with Mike Freemire
Craig Windmiller with Gene Miller

Announcements...

→ **LobsterFest Committee.** The LobsterFest Committee continues to meet the first Thursday of each month – the next meeting is 8 a.m. Feb. 3 at the

Bettendorf Public Library. More volunteers are welcome.



Glenn Kass, Jeff Hassel, Frank Mitvalsky, Johnna Schuler and Decker Ploehn at the first BRC Social Hour

→ **BRC Social hour.** The next Social Hour is scheduled for **5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21**, at the newly renovated **Hotel Blackhawk.**

News...

Lora Adams summarized some of the day’s news: U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords’ condition is upgraded to good... Singer Jimmy Buffet fell off a stage in Sydney but got only minor injuries... Toyota recalled about 1.7 million cars... elderly Brits landed in hospital after following their rented car’s GPS into the side of a church.

Sergeant at Arms...

President Jeff collected \$118 in **Ryan \$\$** + birthday money from **Lee Semenov** (\$65) and **George Daugherty** (\$57). Happy folks: **Chuck Mooney** – happy after multiple doc-scopes spied nothing... **Kevin Kraft** – amends for missing two weeks – and happy about the Pack... **Dr. Tom Olson** – once again, channeling \$10 worth of **Joe Douglas**, who’s in

Florida... **Lora Adams** – her husband’s roundball team is now 21-1 – Go, Lady Rams!!... **Rich James** – reunion with “all those old guys” on his UNI basketball team... **John Archer** – “Here’s \$40 for my birthday – I do expect change.”

Missing today:

Alhstralnd-3, Atnip, Bowe, Brown, Calabrese-2, Cameron, Castro, Coley, DeDoncker, Deuth, Dobesh- 3, Ellstrom-4, Felsing, Gabrilson, Gallagher, Gudgel-2, Habenicht, Hartsock-2, Heinrich-3, Heninger, Hinton-4, Kass, Kinsley, Lanum-4, Legare-3, Lokenvitz, Loweth, McWilliams, L. Miller-3, Nielsen, Pelecky-4, Pieart, Ploehn, Powers, Rabine, Richards-4, Diane Ricketts-McCool-3, Sarver, Saul, Schillig, Sherrick, Spelhaug, St. Laurent-4, Vogel, Volbrecht-2, Worley-4

Make-up:

Duncan Cameron @ Naples, Fla.



Upcoming meetings...

Feb. 2: Roger Kean executive director, Scott County Conservation Board: Overview of Scott County Parks

Feb. 9: Tracey Kuehl, director, Bettendorf Family Museum

Feb. 16: John DeDoncker: Economic Forecast 2011

News Staff...

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...

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Webmeister: Ralph Heninger...

Website host: Harry Coin

Make up at another QC club...

Monday, noon: Davenport – The Outing Club

Monday, noon: Moline – Christ the King Catholic Church

Monday, 6 p.m.: QC Illinois – Arbor Village Club House, Moline

Tuesday, 7:15 a.m.: River Cities – Brothers Restaurant, Rapid City

Tuesday, noon: Rock Island – QC Botanical Center

Wednesday, noon: Bettendorf – Fortune Garden Restaurant

Wednesday, 5 p.m.: Mini Meet – Lunardi’s Restaurant, Davenport

Thursday, 7 a.m.: IA Quad Cities – The Lodge, Bettendorf

Thursday, noon: East Moline – Christ United Methodist Church

Thursday, noon: Milan – Pinnacle Country Club

Friday, noon: North Scott – Steeplegate Inn, Davenport

Bettendorf Rotary resources

Hot links where you can find answers to many questions about Rotary.

The history of Bettendorf Rotary, and more:

<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/local.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary in the community:

<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/community.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary’s current officers:

<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/current.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary’s committees and their chairs:

<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/committ.htm>

Links to Rotary International, Rotary Foundation, Polio Plus... and more:

<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/links.htm>

Link to District 6000’s Website:

www.rotary6000.org