



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club

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Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, July 22, 2009, at
the Fortune Garden Restaurant

Jim Legare updates us on The Network



Our own **Jim Legare**, chairman of The Network, an organization for young professionals in the Quad Cities, is the featured speaker at the Bettendorf Rotary

meeting on Wednesday, July 22.

The Network: Young Professionals of the Quad Cities emerged late last year from a merger between the Young Professionals Network, an initiative of the Illinois Quad City Chamber of Commerce, and DavenportOne's neXt Professionals. The development was the centerpiece of a plan by the Quad City Chamber of Commerce Federation to offer "social and professional development opportunities, provide service leadership, connect young talent with local employers, and advocate on behalf of

young professional interests," according to a Chamber news release.

"Our identity is a powerful reminder that our community is better served by a united young professionals group," Jim said in an article in Chamber publications.

The Network represents more 2,300 young professionals, in their 20s and 30s, from the Iowa and Illinois Quad Cities.

Jim, who is known to Bettendorf Rotary as vice president / commercial loan manager of Northwest Bank & Trust Company, earned his BA in business administration from Augustana College. A graduate of the Illinois Quad City Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy, he is attending the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

For more information on The Network, click: www.thenetworkqc.com.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, July 15, 2009 ...

Iowa auditor warns of coming budget crunch



On July 15, Iowa Auditor **David A. Vaudt** spoke to Bettendorf Rotary about what he termed the "coming train wreck" in Iowa state finances, warning lawmakers and the governor – through public

presentations such as this – that spending and revenue must be brought into balance in order to avoid serious budgetary problems.

Iowa Senate Republican Leader Paul McKinley (R-Chariton), in comments published July 17 in *The Iowa Conservative Reader*, said of Vaudt’s efforts: “For the past two years, the auditor has been traveling all over the state speaking to taxpayers about Iowa’s budget and he has been an outspoken and consistent advocate of keeping government living within its means.... We need to put his proposals into practice and keep this state’s budget balanced without raising taxes or putting hundreds of millions of additional dollars on the state’s credit card.”

The meeting opened...



President **David Deuth** presided and led the members in recitation of “The 4-way Test,” which can be applied to all that we do or say:

- Is It The Truth?
- Is It Fair To All Concerned?
- Will It Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- Will It Be Beneficial To All Concerned?

The opening song was “God Bless America,” directed by songmeister **Tom Howard** with **Bernie Vogel** tickling the ivories. The members paused for Moments of Reflection. Bettendorf Rotary – one of only two singing



Rotaries in the Quad Cities – continued the songfest with “Rotary Town” (to the tune of “Home on the Range”), verses 1 and 5 of “Happy

Wanderer” and “Smiles.” Next week the songs will be led by the Rev. **Gene Miller**; Tom will be speaking at the Kennedy Space Center and backup song leader **Carter LeBeau** will be biking in RAGBRAI (he’s participated in ALL of them!).

Announcements...

→ **President Dave** asked for one more volunteer to staff the phones for the WQPT Challenge on Monday, Aug. 3. **Scott Tunncliff** will join the President, **Jeff Hassel**, **Dick Schillig**, **Rich James**, **Gene Miller** and **Bernie Vogel**. Be prepared – they’ll attempt to contact ALL of us so we can reclaim the Challenge’s Traveling Trophy – which rightfully belongs to Bettendorf Rotary.

→ Mark your calendar: Monday, **Aug. 17, is Rotary Night at Modern Woodmen Park** – when all the Quad-City Rotary clubs gather to raise funds in support of Polio Plus, Rotary International’s ongoing effort to eradicate polio from the Earth.

→ Also circle **Wednesday, Aug. 19 – the District 6000 Governor will be the guest speaker** at our noon meeting.

→ **Carter LeBeau** presented a banner to



the club from his recent make-up at the Rotary in Manhattan, Mont.

The News...



Lora Adams delivered a summary of all the day's important news: Rock Island finally has a mayor... U.S. war deaths in Afghanistan have risen to three per

day... a plane crash in Iran kills all aboard... all suspects in the heinous murder in Pensacola, Fla., have been apprehended... beware errors on job applications and resumes, such as, "Dear Sir or Madman". There was also a cautionary tale about a naked man caught gazing at flowers in a cemetery

Sergeant at Arms...



Sgt-at-arms **Chelsea Powers** collected \$82 for our foundations. Since July is National Hotdog and Sausage Appreciation Month, Chelsea wowed us with facts about them: Between Memorial

Day and Labor Day, Americans eat hot dogs at the rate of 818 *per second*. It was Dirty Harry Callahan who said, "Nobody, I mean *nobody* puts ketchup on a hot dog" – and then he blew the miscreant away. And Chicago is officially known as the U.S. city with the most toppings on its hot dogs.

We also picked up some "Happy \$\$" from **Carolyn Leutwyler, Carter LeBeau, John DeDoncker and Tom Howard.**

Secretary Chuck introduced:

visiting Rotarian...

Margo McInnis,
North Scott, Sales

... and guest...

T.J. Anderson with
Chelsea Powers



Missing Today:

Ahlstrand, Atnip-2, Bowe, Brown-2, Calabrese, Cameron, G. Coin, Coley-3, Dobesh-3, Douglas-2, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-3, Felsing, Foster, Freemire, Gangel-2, Habenicht, Hartsock, Hassel, Hintermeister, Kennedy-2, Koos-3, Kraft, Lanum-3, Legare-3, Link-3, Lokenvitz, McWilliams, L. Miller, Mitvalsky, Pelecky, Ploehn, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Ryan, Sarver-3, Selden-2, Sherrick, Spellhaug, Spyrow-3, St. Laurent-2, Swan-3, Schutte, Worley-3.

Make-ups:

At today's **Shelter Box** meeting – where those attending learned of a Rotary International project to outfit two boxes with basic survival gear that could be shipped from its storage depot in the United Kingdom to any disaster site in the world: S.K. Nanda, Ken Vandersnick, Carl Loweth, Phil Kinsley, David Death, Fred Anderson, Carolyn Leutwyler, George Daugherty.

Upcoming programs

*From Brian Kennedy,
program chair:*

July 22 – Jim Legare,
The Network
Aug. 19 – Governor of
Rotary District 6000



‘Staff’ for this issue of *The Bettendorf Rotary Club News*:

Fred Anderson, editor... Carter LeBeau, photos... Chuck Mooney, reporter... Ralph Heninger, Webmeister.

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

What is Rotary? How did it get started? The object of Rotary. Avenues of Service, the Four-Way Test, the history of Bettendorf Rotary:

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

Bettendorf Rotary in community involvement:

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

Bettendorf Rotary’s current officers:

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

Bettendorf Rotary’s committees and their chairs:

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

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

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

Link to District 6000’s Website:

www.rotary6000.org



Make up at a nearby Rotary Club:

- 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