



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
May 11, 2011, issue

Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, May 18, 2011,
at The Fortune Garden Restaurant

(Not available at “press time” – keep watching your email for details...)

Last meeting:

Wednesday, May 11, 2010

Miller sums up ‘hardest session’

Although the budget-related haggling among the Iowa House (with a Republican majority), the Senate (with a Democratic majority) and Republican Gov. Terry Branstad continues, **Linda Miller**, who has represented Bettendorf’s House Dist. 82 since 2006, left Des Moines to present her annual view of state government at the May 11 meeting.

For Linda, who chairs the House Health and Human Services Committee, a highlight of the legislative session had just occurred – 87-12 bipartisan passage



of the mental health reform bill, which moved funding of Iowa’s mental health programs to the state level. Previously, each county

had been responsible for funding its own mental health programs.

This, her 5th, was “probably my hardest session,” Linda said, because “every bill was a fight” since power is split between the parties. Because the struggle is still going on, primarily between Branstad and the Senate, no one can say what measures will finally become law, she said. “We all wanted to make cuts” to balance the state’s budget, she observed, “but, everyone said, not in *my* part of the budget.”



The meeting opened...

... with **President Jeff Hassel** leading recitation of “The 4-Way Test”. **Tom Howard** led the patriotic song, “My Country, ’Tis of Thee” a cappella. After

Moments of Reflection, the singing resumed, with “All Hail to Rotary” and “The Get Together Song.”

Secretary Chuck introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

Leanne Shaw, Moline: Banking
Ralph Heninger, Davenport: Attorney

Guests:

Rich Oswald with **Audie Foster**
Jean Dickson with **Kevin Kraft**
Kevin Ryan with **Chris Glass**

Announcements...

→ **BRC Social Hour.** The next event is scheduled to begin at 5:15 p.m. Monday, May 16, at Symposium.

→ **Red Badge Meeting.** New members can remove the red patch from their name badge after attending the Red Badge



Meeting, beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, at Farraday's.

→ **Correct your data.** Please check your membership info – especially phone, email and

other bits of data that may have changed – in your listing in the Membership Directory at

<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com>. (The login name is “member” and the password is also “member.”) If you need to make a change, email the correct info to **Dave Deuth**, dwdeuth@gmail.com.

→ **JDC Signup.** President **Jeff** passed out signup sheets for volunteers to work as marshals at Our Hole – We’re No. 1! – during any of the days of the John Deere Classic. Work one day, and you get FREE admission for the rest of the event. To volunteer, see Co-captains **Jeff** or **Steve Piart**, 359-3531 or smharmony@netexpress.net.



→ **LobsterFest update.** “**Louie da Lobster**” (a.k.a. **Scott Naumann**) – the only known Zoot-suit-wearing lobster in captivity with a New Jersey accent – introduced members of the committee: **Frank Mitvalsky** said the next meeting of the Logistics Committee is 8 a.m. Tuesday, May 17, at Rivermont Collegiate.

Amber Castro announced those who have – so far – donated items for the Silent Auction; these are donations we’ve secured:
→ Abbey Carpet - area rug
→ Alter Barge - gift certificate for a river cruise



- Applebee's - \$50 gift certificate
- Avon (Kay LeBeau) - Avon gift basket
- Cafe Express - lunch for 4 gift certificate
- Closet Creations Plus - gift basket with \$500 gift certificate for closet organization
- Doyle McCully** - 1 week stay in condo in Sarasota, Fla.
- Evergreen Artworks - painting
- Giraffe Photography - gift certificate for free sitting
- John Deere - kids' tractor
- Klemme Motor Sports - \$100 cash donation



- Knilians' Furniture - \$100 gift certificate & gift certificate for 2 hours of free design consultation
- Niabi Zoo

- 4 adult guest passes
- Riefe's - \$50 gift certificate
- Scott County Y - 6 month adult membership with 5 sessions of coaching
- Studio 910 - gift basket
- Total Detailing - gift certificate for complete auto detail
- Ultimate Fitness - gift basket
- Video Games Etc. - 2 - \$100 gift cards
- Ward Olson - gift certificate for a painting of your house or of an individual
- Wayne Montgomery Floorcoverings - \$100 gift certificate
- Wise Guys Pizza - \$30 gift certificate
- WQPT - gift basket

In addition, Amber said, "The following places are making donations...":

- Rock Island Physical
- Karla Ellingworth of Hair Devine
- After Image Salon
- Davenport Country Club
- Rivals

- Suzanne & Co. Salon
- Tim Lane**
- Radisson
- Celebration Belle River Cruises
- Hampton Inn & Suites
- Active Endeavors

Penny

McGimpsey urged members to buy tickets ASAP – "We're about half-way," she said. If you need more posters, or for any other reason, contact Penny, 333-



2649, pmcgimpsey@qctimes.com.

President Jeff filled in for the absent **Sharon Sarver** and recruited four volunteers to hand out chocolates.

The news...

Lora Adams reported the news you just won't get anywhere else: Libyan rebels capture the airport at Misrata.... *QC Mallards* are leaving the ice (or as the *QC Times* headline read: "The puck stops here").... Singing bandit robs a Des Moines bank.... Unlucky homeless man was compacted before being extracted from a garbage truck.... German shepherd busts out of Oregon veterinarian's office after opening his kennel, tripping a dead bolt and opening a door.... A cannibal in Slovakia is arrested after his "dinner guest" changed his mind about being killed, cooked and eaten....

Sergeant at arms...

President Jeff collected \$182 for our foundations + Steve Nielsen \$54 for his birthday + \$50 from other sources.

Ryan \$\$ came from these happy members: **Amber Castro** - \$11 for 11



years at her job...
Steve Nielsen – not just his birthday, but “13 years after the Dr. said he’d die...”

Ann Kappeler – her Mom’s 89th birthday... **Glenn Kass** – son was a winner at Scouts’ Klondike Derby... **Dick Schillig** – 117 days to RWC + coming up: 23rd scholarship to a

Bettendorf HS grad, 24th to a PVHS grad... **Penny McGimpsey** – “how about a fitness challenge this year?” “Yes,” Dick replied... **Bob Ryken** – celebrating “six happy years of marriage” (or maybe fewer if Pat hears this...) and 50th anniversary... **John DeDoncker** – thanks to **Greg Blaske**’s rehab, “I couldn’t run without him”... **Ken Vandersnick** - \$21 so far in the Bulls’ post-season run....

Missing today:

K. Adams, Ahlstrand, Atnip-3, Blaske, Bowe-6, Brown-6, Calabrese, Coley-14, DeBuhr-2, Death, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-18, Felsing, Freese-6, Gallagher, Heinrich-17, Hinton-4, Larson, Legare-6, Lofgren-5, Lokenvitz, Loweth, Lundin, McWilliams-7, Manas, Nanda, Pelecky-5, Piart-2, Ploehn, Powers-2, Ricketts-McCool, Sarver, Saul, Schuler, St. Laurent, Schutte-3, Volbrecht, Worley-2

Make-ups:

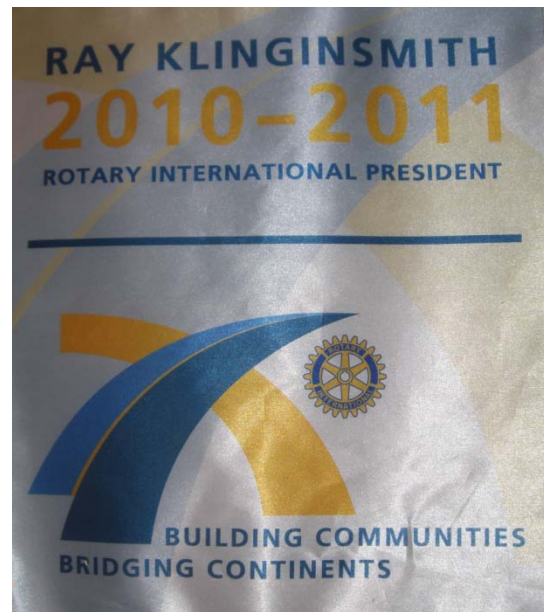
Duncan Cameron @ Rock Island
Josh Carter @ North Scott
John DeDoncker @ East Moline/Silvis
@ today’s committee meetings: Ann Kappeler, Steve Sorensen, Laurie

Dobesh, Brian Kennedy, Linda Miller, Duncan Cameron, Tim Lane, Glenn Kass, Kevin Kraft, Dave Chambers, Harry Coin, Tim Downing, Ralph Heninger, Ellen Harrison, Tom Olson, John Sherrick

@ special 3 make-up sign up .. Linda mIller, Duncan Cameron, Ann Kappeler, Connie Mangler, Chris Glass.

News staff...

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...
Correspondent: Chuck Mooney...
Photographer: Carter LeBeau...
Webmeister: Ralph Heninger... Website host: Harry Coin



RI news...

Powerful tornadoes devastate southern U.S.

In response to the deadly storms and tornadoes that swept across seven southern U.S. states on 27 April, The Rotary Foundation has established a disaster recovery fund to support long-term club and district projects in affected areas.

Clubs and districts can [donate](#) cash and District Designated Fund (DDF) allocations to the [Rotary Southern United States Tornado Disaster Recovery Fund](#). The deadline for contributing is 31 December.

At least 350 people were killed in the storms, which razed towns and caused between \$2 billion and \$5 billion in damage. Hundreds of thousands were left without power for several days.

The hardest-hit state was Alabama, with 250 deaths.

While tornadoes are common in the U.S. South, they are rarely this devastating, says Past RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr., a member of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley.

Since 27 April almost 30 tornadoes have hit Alabama, says Estess. "This is the worst destruction I've ever seen. Communities are completely destroyed," says Estess.

Many local Rotarians are helping with immediate relief by volunteering with first-response organizations such as the Red Cross. Club members are also helping to clean up the debris, says Estess....

More:
http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/110506_news_tornadoes.aspx

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.bettendorffrotary.com/local.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary in the community:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/community.htm>

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Bettendorf Rotary's current officers:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/current.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary's committees and their chairs:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/committ.htm>

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

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

Link to District 6000's Website:
www.rotary6000.org