



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Sept. 23, 2009, issue

Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2009,
at the Fortune Garden Restaurant

Club Assembly gives opportunity for input

President Dave Deeth has called a Club Assembly for the meeting of Sept. 30.



A meeting that is intended to involve all officers, directors, committee chairs and the full membership, a Club Assembly is

an opportunity to assess where the club is at the moment – and where it is heading.

Topics typically discussed during a Club Assembly include service projects, the activities of committees and those in which all club members can participate. It is an opportunity for examining and setting annual and long-range goals; membership growth and retention, and other matters of importance to the whole membership.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2009 ...

Disaster agency chief describes its activities

During the meeting of Sept. 23, **David Miller**, the administrator of the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) since 2007, provided an overview of the agency's services and how it works to help Iowans in times of emergency.



Since the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City by a domestic terrorist, Miller said, the mission of HSEMD has expanded to include terrorism as well as other man-made emergencies, such as industrial accidents, and natural disasters, including floods and tornadoes. The agency acts through partnerships with both government and non-government agencies at every level, from local to federal.

Coordinating activities before, during and after emergencies, HSEMD takes action in all four phases of the cycle of emergency, according to Miller:

Mitigation: working to reduce or eliminate risks to people or property.

Preparation: planning, training and exercising plans in order to respond to any disaster or emergency. **Response:** at the state level, or local level within Iowa,

taking actions to provide immediate relief in times of disaster or emergency.

Recovery: helping bring the community that has experienced a disaster back to normal in every aspect – individuals, families, businesses, non-profits, agriculture and infrastructure.

Miller cited numerous examples of actions in Iowa in which the agency has played a role, or continues to act, in each of these phases.

The meeting opened...

President **David Deuth** presided and opened the meeting with recitation of **The 4-Way Test:**

“Is It The Truth?

“Is It Fair to All Concerned?

“Will It Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

“Will It Be Beneficial to All Concerned?”



Since the Bettendorf Club is a Singing Rotary, the members opened with

“This Is My Country,” under the direction of **Tom Howard**, accompanied by **Bernie Vogel**. After a Moment of Reflection for World Peace and Fellowship, in addition to individuals and Our Troops, the singing continued with renditions of “Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah,” “The 4-Way Test” and “Let There Be Peace on Earth (... and let it begin with me).”



Announcements...

→ President Dave thanked **Ken Vandersnick** for dry-cleaning our American Flag and the 4-Way Test banner – which, Dave noted, served as a mild reminder of the need to learn the test by heart before the words on the banner gradually... fade... away.....



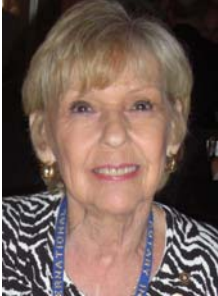
Connie Mangler with club secretary Chuck Mooney

→ The president announced the appointment of **Connie Mangler** as the club’s new membership chair. We can expect a new, energetic contest to pit member against member in a winner-eat-steak and also-ran-eat-hamburger battle to determine which team can recruit the most new members. Last year we brought in 17 new members during the contest period.

→ **John Rabine** brought us up-to-date on for our annual **Golf Outing & Steak Fry**. It’s scheduled for **Wednesday, Oct. 7 – “No meeting that noon”** – at Palmer Hills Golf Course and Pavilion. Tee-times begin at 11:30, the Steak Fry begins at 5:45



p.m., and entertainment – performers from the Visiting Artists Series – beginning at 6:30. To sign up, or if you have questions, call **John: 441-3909**.



Carolyn Leutwyler asked members to help her obtain items for the **Silent Auction** during the golf outing. Based on response at the meeting, there will be a truly interesting array of dining opportunities, services to be rendered and objects on which to bid.

→ **Jim Spelhaug** passed out assignments to individual members who had volunteered to **hand out dictionaries to all the 4th graders in Bettendorf**. They are scheduled for Riverdale Heights, Sept. 28; Neil Armstrong, Grant Wood, Paul Norton, Jefferson, Cody, Bridgeview and Rivermont, Sept. 29; Mark Twain and Hoover, Sept. 30; Pleasant View, Oct. 1; Lourdes, Oct. 5, and Morning Star Academy, Oct. 8.

→ **Ralph Heninger** asked any member who is not receiving the newsletter by email to notify him – and he'll take the appropriate steps.

→ **President Dave and Secretary Chuck** asked every member to please **check your information** on the Bettendorf Rotary Website: www.bettendorffrotary.com and update anything that isn't current. Contact either one of them:
Dave: 355-4433 -
Dave@WeertsFH.com
Chuck: 388-3544 -
bettendorffrotary@aol.com

→ Earlier in the meeting, guest **Bob Lundin** said that, in memory of **Jon Ryan**, he would be joining Bettendorf Rotary; before he left the room, he handed his application to **Secretary Chuck**.

The News...

Lora Adams updated all the important news: flooding in the Southeast... the UAW votes to OK a strike, if one is called against Deere... scavengers stripped a Davenport family's home of copper... McDonald's searches for a new spud... Aussie teens turn in found money... pampered Norwegian cows give more milk... and a naked, 91-year-old Florida man held an intruder at bay with a revolver until police arrived.

Sergeant at Arms...

Sgt-at-arms **Carolyn Leutwyler** collected \$122 for our foundations by reminding members of some of the facts and services available on the Bettendorf Rotary Website, bettendorffrotary.com. (For details, see "Bettendorf Rotary resources" on page 4 of this newsletter.)

Ryan \$\$ came from **Ralph Heninger**, who celebrated hiking in the Rockies with his son, and **Dave Falk**, whose daughter was married – by The Rev. **Gene Miller!**



Secretary Chuck introduced: Visiting Rotarian...

Ralph Heninger -- Davenport -- Attorney

Guests...

Bob Gabrilson with Bill Harvey
Bob Lundin with Kevin Kraft

Upcoming meetings...



Thanks to Program Chairman **Brian Kennedy**, we can look forward to these fine future meetings. Invite guests – and prospective members – to enjoy them with us. Sept. 30 – Club Assembly. Please attend – and bring your ideas, opinions and other input.

Oct. 7 – Golf Outing

Oct. 14 – Craig Just, U of I Engineering

Oct. 21 – National Philanthropy Day – speaker to be named

Oct. 28 – Flu shots – Missy Gowery

Nov. 4 – Xinoteca latrines - Bill Burress/
Jim Peterson

Nov. 18 – Trinity cardiac care

Nov. 25 – Vocational service talks

Missing Today:

Adamson, Atnip-3, Bowe-5, Brown, Calbrese-3, Cameron, Coley, DeDoncker, Douglas, Downing, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-13, Foster, Freemire-3, Gallagher, Haffernan-2, Hassel, Hintermeister, Hinton, James, Kappeler, Kennedy, Lanum-2, Larson-2, Link-13, McWilliams-4, Pelecky-3, Ploehn, Powers, Richards-3, Ross, Selden-4, Schutte, Spyrow-13, St. Laurent-3, Worley-13.

Make-ups:

At President's meeting : Dave Falk, Ralph Heninger, Andrew Gudgel, Greg Blasko, Rich Hartsock, Mike Vollbrecht, Kurt Lokenvitz, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Scott Naumann, Dave Chambers, Jerry Felsing, Kevin Kraft, Jim Spelhaug, Jim Legare, Laurie Dobesh, Carl Loweth, Gene Miller, Tim Lane, Frank Mitvalsky, S.K. Nanda, Frank Schwab, Lora Adams,

Paul Scranton, Fred Anderson, Lee Semenow, Harry Coin.

News you can use...

Rotarians in the greater Quad Cities area will have the opportunity on the evening of **Tuesday, Oct. 6**, to meet one of the **key players in polio eradication. Dr. Tunji Funscho** will speak at Augustana College, en route to the Rotary Institute in Minneapolis, where he will be the keynote speaker. Dr. Funscho is the Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for northern Nigeria, which is one of the most critical in the global quest to eradicate polio.

News Staff...

Editor Fred Anderson...

Photographer Carter LeBeau...

Webmeister Ralph Heninger

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