



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

**Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club**  
Dec. 23, 2009, issue

## *Next meeting:*

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

## **The state of nuclear energy in the QC**



**Bill Stoermer**, senior communications manager for the Exelon Nuclear Generating Station, Quad Cities, will report on the status of nuclear energy in this community and the U.S. in

general at the Dec. 30 meeting (rescheduled from the storm-cancelled Dec. 9 meeting).

Exelon Nuclear, a subsidiary of Exelon Corp., is the largest operator of nuclear power plants in the United States, currently operating 17 reactors at 10 sites in Illinois, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Besides the Quad Cities nuclear plant, in Illinois, Exelon operates plants at Byron, Clinton, LaSalle, Dresden and Braidwood.

Stoermer is responsible for internal and external communications and public

affairs for the Quad Cities station in Cordova, Ill. He has more than 28 years of nuclear plant experience. Within Exelon Nuclear, he has held leadership positions in maintenance, human resources, government affairs and communications.

## *Last meeting:*

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2009

## **Sports editor ‘likes Hawks’ bowl chances’**

*Quad-City Times* Sports Editor **Don Doxsie** has reported on 15 bowl games in his career, and he brought that perspective to his comments at the Dec. 23 meeting about the imminent Orange Bowl



appearance of the Iowa Hawkeyes and the Insight Bowl, which will include the Iowa State Cyclones.

The Iowa-Georgia Tech game on Jan. 5 will be “an interesting game,” Doxsie predicted, because they are “two teams that don’t do what everybody else does.” Unlike most Division I teams, Georgia Tech runs a triple option offense, he explained, while “the Iowa defense is perfectly suited to stop it.”

As for the Dec. 31 Cyclones game against Minnesota, both teams that were 6-6 during the season, he said it should be an “interesting match-up – they’re barely three hours’ drive apart, yet they almost never play each other.”

## The meeting opened...



**President Dave Deuth** opened the meeting by leading a 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?”

Led by songmeister **Tom Howard**, the gathered throng opened the singing – a capella – with “God Bless America.” After Moments of Reflection, the songfest continued in a seasonal mood with “Jingle Bells” and “We Wish You a Merry Christmas.”



## Secretary Chuck introduced:



**Visiting Rotarians...**  
**PDG Bill Cameron**,  
Keokuk: Education  
Dudley Hanson,  
Davenport: Engineer

**... And guests...**  
Tina Cunningham  
with George Coin  
Sara Hartsock with

Rick Hartsock  
John Anderson with Fred Anderson  
David Pieart with Steve Pieart  
Noelle Heinrich with Dennis Heinrich  
And, with Tom Howard, his wife, son,  
daughter and son-in-law

## Announcements...

→ **Holiday party. President Dave** reminded everyone of the **annual Winter Party**, Saturday evening, Jan. 9, 2010, at the Outing Club in Davenport. **Contact Lisa Brown** at **441.4016** or [lbrown@eicc.edu](mailto:lbrown@eicc.edu).

→ **Library book tagging.** The date for the third work night to tag books at Bettendorf Library will be announced soon.

## → Charity Board grants. Board Chair Jeff Hassel

announced the recipients of this year’s Bettendorf Rotary Charity Board grants – a total of \$15,000 to nine community organizations:



= **Family Resources**, Davenport, \$2,500 “to establish a vocational catering program teaching culinary and job skills to at-risk youth.”  
= **Handicapped Development Center**, Davenport, \$1,000 for outdoor pavilion furniture “to provide individuals with disabilities and significant medical concerns the opportunity to be outdoors without threat of compromising their health.”  
= **Honor Flight of the Quad Cities**, Davenport, \$2,500 to help “send World War II veterans on a free trip to Washington, D.C., to see the World War Memorial as thanks for their service.”  
= **Humility of Mary Housing**, Davenport, \$2,500 to provide “homeless single-parent families with supportive housing and services as parents work on educational or job training to increase income and employment opportunities.”

= **Rick's House of Hope**, Davenport, \$2,500 to support "weekly group sessions to help children and their caregivers process emotions and adjustments following a loss or trauma... in their lives."

= **River Music Experience**, Davenport, \$1,000 to upgrade audio/visual equipment that aids the facility's music educational programs.

= **Scott County Family Y**, Davenport, \$1,000 in support of Military Kids Operation Family Time-Out, providing "recreational, social and educational programming."

= **Street Team: Homeless Outreach**, Davenport, \$1,000 to help provide basic needs to the homeless, such as "health kits, personal hygiene kits, food, blankets, referrals and friendship."

= **Thomas Merton House (Café on Vine)**, Davenport, \$1,000 to help replace 50 dining room chairs that were old and in need of repair.

### **Presentations...**

→ **Jeff** also gave a gift of collected cash to **Ying**, who takes such very good care of every aspect of the dining room during each week's lunch and meeting.



→ **Paul Harris Fellow**. As the club's RI Foundation chair, **S.K. Nanda** presented a Paul Harris Fellow pin to **Jon Elstrom**. While he had access to the microphone, S.K. reiterated the many

ways available to Rotarians to contribute to the ongoing good work funded by the Harris Society. For more information, **contact S.K. at 794-5310 or [s.k.nanda@USace.army.mil](mailto:s.k.nanda@USace.army.mil)**.

### **The News...**

**Fred Anderson** reported the news: Sales of newly built U.S. single-family homes fell in November... A flight skidded off a Jamaican runway, injuring more than 40 people... Iranian security forces clashed with opposition protesters... Diners at a metro Detroit restaurant got more than a full plate when a man walked in with a 5-inch knife in his chest. Stabbed more than a mile away, he had called 911 then walked to the restaurant where he ordered coffee and waited for an ambulance. An employee said, "It kind of freaked us all out here." The man is expected to be fine.

### **Sergeant at Arms...**

**President Dave** went straight to **Ryan \$\$: Jeff Hassel** gave \$1 for each of his 37 years... other happy people: **Tom Howard, Carl Loweth** and **Dave Deuth** because family members are home safely for Christmas... **Tim Lane** because a new Edward Jones office has opened... in all, \$128 collected for our foundations.

### **Missing Today:**

Adams, Ahlstrand-2, Atnip-2, Adamson, Blaske, Bowe-4, Brown-3, Calabrese-4, Coley-5, DeDoncker, Dobesh-9, Downing, Felsing-4, Foster, Freemire-3, Freese, Gallagher, Haffernan-2, Heninger, Hintermeister-2, Hinton-6, James, Kappeler, Kinsley, Koos-11, Kraft-2, Lanum-4, Legare-5, Lokenvitz, Lundin, McWilliams-2, G. Miller-2, Nielsen, Olson, Pelecky-3, Ploehn, Powers, Richards-8, Ricketts-McCool, Ross-2, Sarver, Selden-2, Spelhaug,



Spyrow-11, St. Laurent-5, Scranton,  
Vogel, Volbrecht-2, Worley-2

### Make-ups:

Patrick Eikenberry @ Rock Island  
Carter LeBeau @ Nashville, Tenn.  
S.K. Nanda @ Davenport  
At today's committee meeting: Frank  
Mitvalsky, Andrew Gudgel, Duncan  
Cameron, Jeff Hassel, Linda Miller, S.K.  
Nanda, Brian Kennedy, Carl Loweth

### The meeting ended...

... with **President Dave** wishing all a  
Very Merry Christmas.

### News Staff...

Editor Fred Anderson...  
Reporter Chuck Mooney...  
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.bettendorfrotrary.com/local.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary in the community:  
<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](http://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

