



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

**Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club  
No. 30, 2011, issue**

## *Next meeting:*

Noon Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011,  
at The Fortune Garden Restaurant

## **You could be pleasantly surprised...**

Program chair **Brian Kennedy** is a busy guy this time of the election cycle, but he hasn't forgotten Bettendorf Rotary. So come next Wednesday and see the next in his fascinating series of programs. Will it be a politician... Christmas carolers... a charity representative...? You'll have to come to find out. See you there!

## *Last meeting:*

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2010

## **With runway done, what's next at QCIA?**

Over the last 12 months the Quad-City International Airport has completed reconstruction of the main runway, replaced its "fuel farm" and revamped its cargo facilities, **Brian Johnson**, deputy director, reported at the Nov. 30 meeting.

The multi-year, \$30 million-plus runway project resulted in totally repaving the 10,000-foot primary runway and will conclude in 2012 with conversion of the backup runway to a taxiway for general



aviation, Johnson said. The updated fuel farm replaces a 30-year-old facility.

The year 2011 saw about 12% decline in air passengers from the record set in 2010, Johnson said, and he expects 2012 to be about the same as this year.

Flights lost with the departure of AirTran from this market will be partly offset by Allegiant, with American Eagle, Delta and United Express continuing to operate here, he said.

Responding to questions from the audience, Johnson said the future of airline service is linked to the cost of fuel. That cost was one factor in AirTran's departure. As for what might be coming for QCIA, he said operations director Bruce Carter is talking with Southwest and American airlines, and QCIA is looking at such destinations as Washington's Dulles, Newark and other direct-flight markets. "But those take a while to achieve," he added.



## **The meeting opened...**

... with **President Scott Naumann** leading the recitation of "The 4-Way Test" and the singing of "America the Beautiful."

After Moments of Reflection, the day's song leader, **Carter LeBeau**, expertly aided by pianist **Wilma Nichol**, led rather improved versions of "Bye Bye Blackbird," "Side by Side" and "Heart of My Heart." No guests or Rotarians from other clubs attended the meeting.

### Announcements...



→ **Christmas baskets.** **Sharon Sarver** asked for nine volunteers to deliver baskets on Saturday, Dec. 17 (since Christmas is on Sunday). Baskets will include gifts, which members buy – BRC will reimburse members \$50 per family for the gifts. Sharon's email with instructions to volunteers will include contact information so they can call for gift suggestions.

→ **Anti-Bullying fundraiser.** **Frank Mitvalsky** announced that Ballet Quad Cities will stage the dress rehearsal for this year's production of The Nutcracker as a fundraiser to benefit anti-bullying programs in the schools. The performance is 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8. For information or to buy tickets, at \$20, contact Frank, 764-8361 or [fmitvalsky@califf.com](mailto:fmitvalsky@califf.com).

### → **LobsterFest. President Scott**

reminded all that the Lobster-Fest Committee continues to meet 8 a.m. the first Thursday of each month at the Bettendorf Public Library.



**Carter LeBeau** reported on the Dec. 1 meeting: Most committee assignments have been made, and **President Scott** said, "We off and running, and ahead of this point for 2011." Look for a poster at each BRC meeting between now and the June 16, 2012, event, which will update progress on sponsors, tables committed, silent auction items and more. Other members present were **Amber Castro**, **Sharon Sarver**, **Rick Hartsock**, **Brian Rolf** and **Bev Murray**.

### The news...

**Lora Adams** presented the day's news: Three teens were killed, two injured in a car crash near Kewanee.... An elderly man left \$13,000 in the pocket of a suit he donated to Goodwill, prompting a wide search.... Zimmerman Honda broke ground for a new dealership in Moline.... A Davenport couple is being treated for carbon monoxide exposure.... A man who held a Kansas couple hostage in their home is now suing them for breach of contract because they reported him to police, instead of hiding him.

### Sergeant at arms...

**President Scott** collected \$240 for our foundations + \$231 to our Scholarship Fund – **Ken Vandersnick's** birthday



**John Rabine remembered Ken Vandersnick's birthday because "he's the guy who talked me into joining Rotary."**

check for \$70, **Brent Werner's** check for \$26 (+ \$13 for the Cornhuskers' win over the Hawkeyes) and \$172 in **Ryan Happy \$\$** from these Rotarians: **Glenn Kass** – invitation to the Miss Iowa sendoff, 4-6 p.m. Sunday in the Gold Room, Hotel Blackhawk... **Jim Slavens** – happy to



have **Wilma Nichol** at the piano (Wilma, now 97 years young, said she "started picking out tunes" at age 5)... **Jeff Hassel** – daughter's 7<sup>th</sup> birthday... **Dick Schillig** – birthday and 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary – and 277 days to That Event... **Jim Spelhaug** –18<sup>th</sup> anniversary... **Penny McGimpsey** – 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary... **John Rabine** – \$5 to honor **Ken Vandersnick**, "the guy who talked me into joining Rotary"... **Decker Ploehn** – 59<sup>th</sup> birthday (it was in May!) and 39<sup>th</sup> anniversary... **Lora Adams** – "the Riverdale Rams are now 7-0... **Kurt Lokenvitz** – son's 6<sup>th</sup> birthday... **Steve Sorensen** – saw Jayne

Ploehn at the Life Fitness Center early this morning, and she said she "beat Decker up this morning"....

### Missing today

Atnip -6, Blaske-3, Bowe-4, Carter-4, Chambers-2, G. Coin, Cahalan-2, DeDoncker, Duda-3, Edwards-3, Ellstrom-22, Freemire-12, Gallagher, Glass-4, Hartsock, Heninger-2, Hintermeister-2, Hinton-22, Kappeler, Kennedy-6, Lanum-22, Legare-18, Lundin-2, McWilliams-4, Marvin-2, L. Miller, Murray-2, Nelson-11, Olson-2, Oswald-2, Pelecky-3, Schuler-4, Scranton-4, Sherrick-3, Schutte, Volbrecht-2, Willsher-3, Worley-7



### In other BRC news...



➔ **Holiday Hat Bash.** BRC members who attended the Holiday Hat Bash,

Friday, Nov. 18, which benefitted Home Instead, included Mike Limberg, Carter LeBeau, Connie Mangler, Steve Habenicht and Penny McGimpsey.

→ **Run with Carl.** Planning for the next Run with Carl – which will step off on Labor Day 2012 – has already begun. After Wednesday’s meeting, the event’s core committee started thinking about the event, now only 275 days away. Planners from BRC included **Dick Schillig, George Daugherty, Chelsea Powers** and **Jeff Hassel.**



### **Make-ups:**

Dawn Saul @ Iowa Quad Cities

At today’s committee meetings: Ellen Harrison, Duncan Cameron, Dick Schillig, Brad Boeye, Carl Loweth, Kurt Lokenvitz, Jerry Felsing, Mark Ross, Andrew Gudgel, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Jean Dixon, Todd Larsen, Tony Calabrese, Decker Ploehn, Steve Sorensen, Jen DeBuhr, Tim Lane, Jeff Hassel, Penny McGimpsey, Sharon Sarver, Rick St. Laurent, Todd Ashby.



### **News staff...**

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...  
Correspondent: Chuck Mooney...  
Photographer: Carter LeBeau...  
Webmeister/Web-site host: Chris Glass

### **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.: Iowa 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>