



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
April 6, 2011, issue

Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, April 13, 2011,
at The Fortune Garden Restaurant



Photo of a 1960s Freedom Ride bus

PBS documentary to relive Freedom Rides

Our own **Lora Adams**, director of marketing and local content at WQPT, the Quad-Cities' PBS station, will share information about the upcoming documentary "The Freedom Riders" and the educational outreach that will go along with this extraordinary film.

Starting in May 1961, mixed groups of black and white students began taking interstate buses into the Deep South, risking their lives to challenge segregation. They called themselves the Freedom Riders. White mobs responded with violence. One bus was set on fire with the Freedom Riders still inside.

Numerous Freedom Riders were brutally beaten and hospitalized.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, April 6, 2010



QCSO volunteers at the April 6 meeting

Violinist Midori to visit QC, perform

World-renowned violinist **Midori** will perform with the Quad City Symphony Orchestra, and participate in numerous other musical events, April 13-17, most of them benefiting youthful musicians, from elementary to college, according to **Mary Decker, Laurie Skjerseth** and **Mary Kae Waytenick**, all Volunteers for the Symphony, who presented the program at the April 6 meeting.



The Japanese artist began doing residencies in 2004; her QC appearance is one of only two she will do this year. While she will participate in open rehearsals, workshops and clinics as she does at most residencies, one event is unique to her QC visit:

The Mi-Do-Ri Composition Contest, April 15, will culminate in the performance of nine compositions written by QC music students, from elementary school to college levels, at 5 p.m. at the Adler Theatre, Davenport.

For more information, or to order tickets, contact the QCSO Box Office, 1-800-745-3000 or www.qcsymphony.com.



Midori's residency also gave rise to the Midori Painted Violin Project, in which 14 QC artists

decorated miniature violins. They are the basis of a silent auction; to place a bid, visit the QCSO Website or call 563-322-QCSO (7276).

The meeting opened...

... with **President Jeff Hassel** leading recitation of "The 4-Way Test." Our featured presenters – all experienced music educators – led the singing of "The National Anthem" and, after Moments of Reflection, the group sing – "Bicycle Built for Two," "April Showers" and "Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians" – this month, specifically:



April birthdays...

13, Chuck Mooney;
14, Gary Hintermeister;
17, Joe Douglas;
23, Jen DeBuhr;
26, **John Rabine**;
28, Mike Vollbrecht;

30, George H. Coin.

Secretary Chuck introduced:

Guests:

Jan Pomije with Donna Freese
Nalini Nanda with S.K. Nanda

Announcements...

➔ **BRC Social Hour. President Jeff** reminded us of the next Social Hour: 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 18, at Granite City.

➔ **Painting the meeting room.** Painting and prep – including removing wall decorations – will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday, April 17. All materials – and refreshments – furnished. Contact **Connie Mangler** to volunteer – 355-4000 or cmangler@rhlcommercial.com.

➔ **Red Badge Meeting.** New members can remove the red patch from their name badge after attending the Red Badge Meeting, at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, at Farraday's.

➔ LobsterFest. Frank Mitvalsky



announced that THE National Bank will again be a \$2,500 sponsor, and it will provide the event's credit card processing service.

The sponsorship total now tops \$20,000. "We are a ways from our sponsorship goals," event chair **Scott Naumann**, urged, "and could use your help.... Please try to get a bronze level or above commitment from someone you know." Here's a link to the 2011 LobsterFest Sponsor Guide:

<http://www.n4comm.com/SponsorshipGuide2011.pdf>



And here's the updated sponsorship list:

PRESENTING SPONSOR (\$5,000):
Califf & Harper P.C. (**Frank Mitvalsky**)

GOLD SPONSOR (\$2,500):
THE National Bank (**John DeDoncker**)

SILVER (\$1,000):
Iowa American Water Co. (**Audie Foster**) –
RJS & Associates (**Dick and Juanita Schillig**)
Weerts Funeral Home (**Dave Deuth**)

BRONZE (\$500):
Bowe Machine Co. (**Simon Bowe**)
Carter and Kay LeBeau
Gallagher, Millage & Gallagher (**Bob Gallagher**)
George and Harry Coin
Home Instead Senior Care (**Steve Habenicht**)
Integrated Solutions (**Mike Limberg**)
Knilians' Furniture & Interiors (**Amber Castro**)
Lighthouse Homecare
Midwest Seafood
Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney (**Paul Scranton**)
Nelson Chiropractic

Professional Touch Cleaning (**Diane Ricketts-McCool**)
RBC Wealth Management (**John Rabine**)
Rick and Sara Hartsock
Russell Electric (**Jeff Lanum**)
Steve's Mirror & Glass (**Jerry Felsing**)
Wagner's Cleaners (**Ken Vandersnick**)
Wells Fargo Advisory Group (**Rich James**)

→ **'Murder.'** Mike Freemire,

remembering all the fun of "Whacked at the Wedding," urged signups for "Murder in the Double Wide" – with **proceeds to benefit Polio Plus** – at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at The Fountains, 3752 Thunder Ridge Road. Tickets to the mystery and gourmet dinner are \$35 – **contact Scott Naumann at 355-6100 or scottn@midlandcom.com**. Also: <http://www.n4comm.com/DoubleWide.pdf>



→ **Region 6000 award. President Jeff** announced that Bettendorf Rotary has nominated Past President **Dave Deuth** for the District's prestigious "Paul E. Hellwege Award" for ethics and integrity.



Inductions...

... of **three** new members by **S.K. Nanda**, who noted that 10 new members

have joined Bettendorf Rotary in the past 6 weeks. Our newest members are:



Josh Carter is an investment banker with Northwest Bank and Trust – and a former PGA golf pro. Josh and Janelle are the parents of Benjamin and Olivia, 1½ year-old twins.

Todd Ashby is director of client services for Results Marketing, Bettendorf. The Ottumwa, Iowa, native played football at Dana College in Nebraska. He and his wife Becca are parents of a 6-year-old daughter.

Brent Werner is marketing director of Werner Restoration, Colona, which restores damaged structures. The Nebraska graduate is pursuing an MBA at St. Ambrose University.

Membership Chair **Connie Mangler** noted we are one person shy of the goal of 20 new members during **Jeff Hassel's** presidential year.

The news...

Lora Adams reported that Blockbuster, which once dominated video rentals, is being sold.... While it was closed overnight (!), a Scottish police station was burgled of its uniforms and radios.... Lindt Chocolate Co. has gotten very sticky about competing companies that also make chocolate bunnies.

Sergeant at Arms...

President Jeff collected \$116 for our foundations + \$60 in cash plus checks from **S.K. Nanda** (\$75) and **Jim Spelhaug** (\$100) for our Scholarship Fund. **Ryan \$\$** came from these happy members:

Tom Ahlstrand – his daughter's engaged... **Dick Schillig** – 152 days to Run With Carl... **Jim Spelhaug** – the scholarship program is just a month away from its next awards – 6 \$1,000 scholarships this year... with aspirations of 8 in the future... **Ken Vandersnick** – photo of **Decker Ploehn** in the newspaper... **Connie Mangler** – changing her job at Ruhl Commercial... **Timn Lofgren** – happy to be back in “shorts-and-T-shirt” weather... **Dave Deuth** – urging participation in the **Quad-City Rotary “Service above Self” Blood Drive (1-6 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at Centre Station, Moline, and 7 a.m.-noon Friday, April 15, at The Lodge, Bettendorf. Sign-up: 823-4128 or www.bloodcenter.org).**... **Decker Ploehn** – “With all these new members, how about a new occupant for the LobsterFest suit?” he asked. A quick vote followed – Decker's still got the job... **Doyle McCully** – it's the anniversary of the Twinkie... **Donna Freese** – “Thanks for the chance to heckle Decker...”

Upcoming programs:

April 13: Lora Adams – WQPT screening of “Freedom Riders”

April 20: Brock Earnhardt, Davenport Rotary – Project Safari Nigeria 2010

April 27: Chelesa Powers – Updating BRC Marketing Committee's recent work: Club Website & Facebook page

May 4: Club Assembly

May 11: Rep. Linda Miller's annual legislative update

Missing today:

K. Adams, Archer-2, Bowe, Brown, Castro-2, Chambers-7, Colely-9, DeBuhr, Dobesh-11, Ellstrom-13, Falk, Foster, Gallagher, Heinrich-12, Hinton-7, Kappeler-3, Kass, Kennedy-3, Kraft, Larsen, Legare, Lokenvitz, Lundin, McGimpsey, McWilliams, Manas-3, L. Miller-12, Marvin, Ricketts-McCool, Sarver, Scranton, St. Laurent, Volblrecht-3, Willsher, Worley-7

Make-ups:



Duncan Cameron
@ Naples Bay,
Fla.; Naples, Fla.
& Rock Island

At today's
committee
meetings: John
DeDoncker, Mark
Ross, Greg
Blaske, Mike
Freemire, Decker
Ploehn, Steve
Sorensen, Phil
Kinsley, Carl
Loweth, Tom
Ahlstrand, Jonna

Schuler, Tim Lane, Brad Boeye, Donna Freese, Chris Glass, Steve Habenicht, Ralph Heninger, Gary Hintermeister, Ellen Harrison, Steve Nielsen, Donna Shaul

News Staff...

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

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.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