



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2009, at the Fortune Garden Restaurant

QCSO director gets us all tuned up



Jeff vom Saal, executive director of the Quad City Symphony Orchestra, will update us on recent developments – and plans for the future of QCSO – at the Sept. 9 meeting.

“The Quad City Symphony is currently experiencing a period of growth and vibrancy that has not been experienced in a number of years,” vom Saal told *The Bettendorf Rotary Club News*. “We are on the brink of our third consecutive year of growth in ticket sales; we have substantially increased the number of performances per season, and our education programs are being enhanced and expanded.”

A key to the QCSO’s growth strategy is “to build authentic community engagement as an integral component” of all existing programs and initiatives, vom



Saal said. “The goal of the QCSO is to be a central part of the fabric of the QC community, and to provide the highest quality music and music education in the Quad Cities region.”

Vom Saal came to the Quad Cities in 2007 from the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra, Fargo, N.D. Earlier, he had been the music director for the Metrowest Youth Symphony Orchestra in Framingham, Mass.

The QCSO’s next concert will be the 27th annual Riverfront Pops, Sept. 12, at LeClaire Park, Davenport, featuring vocalist Steve Lippia performing the songs of Frank Sinatra with the orchestra under the baton of Conductor Mark Russell Smith.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2009 ...

Iowa develops strong wind energy industry



Iowa, in the center of the U.S. “wind belt,” ranks No. 2 in production of wind energy, said Dr. **P. Barry Butler**, professor of mechanical and industrial



engineering and dean of the University of Iowa College of Engineering, at the Sept. 2 meeting. And Iowa is well positioned to grow its wind energy industry in the future, he said, because the state has all the elements to help it succeed – an educated, talented workforce; a strong university-industry partnership, and a welcoming business climate.

Butler traced development of the wind energy industry in the U.S. – which now leads the world in production. In 1985 the country generated just 1,000 megawatts of power from wind. That grew to 30,000 last year, and the nation has set the goal of meeting 20 percent of its power needs with wind-generated energy by 2030.

Iowa is poised to produce a large share of that power, he said. The “Iowa Alliance for Wind Innovation and Novel Development,” or IAWIND, which brings together the three Iowa Regents universities, community colleges,



industry in the state, and the Iowa Department of Economic Development, is a key player in that effort.

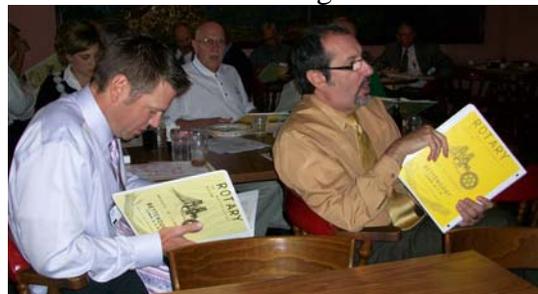
IAWIND is designed to support efforts in Iowa “to continue to attract and nurture wind energy and related industries, and become the nation’s leading state in alternate energy technologies.”

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?”
“Is It Fair to All Concerned?”



We opened the singing season with “My Country, 'Tis of Thee.” After a Moment of Reflection, during which the passing of former Davenport Rotarian Larry Bush was noted, the singing continued under the direction of The Rev. **Gene Miller**, accompanied by Bernie Vogel in the ivories. We raised the rafters with “I’ve Been Working on the



Railroad,” in honor of the coming Labor Day holiday; “In the Good Old Summertime,” as that season is closing; “The Four-Way Test,” because we’re Rotarians, and “Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians,” in recognition of:

September birthdays...



8, Phil Kinsley
9, Harry Coin and **Todd Larsen**
12, Kurt Lokenvitz
19, Pat Eikenberry

20, Glenn Pelecky
29, **Bill Harvey** and Rick Hartsock



Announcements...

→ **Lora Adams** reported on Bettendorf Rotary’s achievements in the **WQPT Challenge**: We came in No. 2 among all Quad-City Rotary Clubs at \$3,600-plus, just \$131 behind East Moline, and ahead of 3rd place Davenport. We won a 19-in. LG TV, which will be auctioned during the Golf Outing and Steak Fry. Lora thanked all, on behalf of the station.



→ With just five days left before Run With Carl on Labor day, **Chelsea Powers** and **Dick Schillig** emphasized that it’s still

possible to sponsor young winners – and earn points toward winning the **Rotary Challenge Cup**. Chelsea said there are still opportunities to volunteer – to work at registration, bake cookies, staff water stops and stuff registration packets. As of the beginning of the meeting, 851 runners had registered for the event.

→ Reminder: The **GARDEN MINISTRY** of Asbury Methodist Church, which provides food for 19 meal sites, food pantries and shelters in the Quad Cities, still needs help. **To volunteer**, contact **Dave Phillips**: gardenministry@mchsi.com or 340-6594.

Presentation...

George Daugherty doubled up on Rotarian of the Quarter awards. He presented the 3rd quarter 2008-09 plaque to **Lee Semenov** for his work on the



Bettendorf Rotary Board and for translating communications about the Xinoteca project. And **Fred Anderson** was the 4th quarter '08-09 honoree for editing *The Bettendorf Rotary Club News* and as backup



reporter of *The News* at meetings.

The News...

Lora Adams presented the lead stories in the news: attacks in Afghanistan... earthquake in Indonesia... North Korea actually kidnapped Laura Ling and Euna Lee from Chinese territory... Israel and Palestinians sit down to talks... and this:

“A Pennsylvania man said he robbed a bank in 2007 to go to jail and get away from his overbearing wife.

“At a sentencing hearing Monday, 39-year-old Anthony Miller said he robbed a bank because he wanted to leave his then-wife but she had threatened to commit suicide if he did.

“Miller pleaded guilty in June. The judge sentenced him to three to six years in prison on Monday. His attorney said the couple had divorced within the last year.”

Sergeant at Arms...

Sgt-at-arms
John Rabine
collected \$130
for our
foundations
plus another
\$72 for our
Scholarship
fund, by
telling us
some trivia



about the month of September....

Birthstone – sapphire... flower – forget-me-not... September and December begin on the same day of the week... September holidays include Labor Day, Patriot Day, Grandparents’ Day and – oddly enough – German Oktoberfest and Chinese Festival of the August Moon.

Ryan Bucks for good news – anniversaries, fishing with family and more – came from **George Daugherty, Bob Gallagher, Jim Slavens, Dick Schillig** and **Decker Ploehn**.



Secretary Chuck introduced: Guests...

Tim Wilkinson with Jim Richards
Peg Walker with Scott Tunnicliff
Tom Olson with Ralph Heninger

Missing Today:

Ahlstrand, Bowe-2, Brown-5, Cameron, Chambers, DeDoncker-3, Eikenberry-2, Ellstrom-10, Falk, Freemire, Freese-2, Habenicht, Hartsock-3, James, Kinsley, Koos, Lebeau, Legare, Link-10, Lokenvitz, Loweth-4, McWilliams-2, L. Miller, Pelecky-2, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Sarver-2, Selden, Sherrick-2, Spyrow-10, Swan-10, Schutte, Scranton, Volbecht, Worley-10.

Make-ups:

Duncan Cameron @ North Scott
Brian Kennedy @ Davenport, North Scott and Iowa Quad Cities
Todd Larsen @ E. Moline
Dick Schillig @ Iowa Quad Cities, North Scott and Davenport

At today's committee meeting: At today's committee meeting .. S.K. Nanda, Lora Adams, Lee Semenow, Decker Ploehn, Steve Piart.

News Staff...

Editor Fred Anderson...

Photographer Harry Coin...

Webmeister Ralph Hening



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>

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



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