



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2009,
at the Fortune Garden Restaurant

Update: cardiac surgery at Trinity



Medical science is making amazing progress, and at the Nov. 18 meeting we'll learn about the "State of the Art of Cardiac Surgery at Trinity Regional

Health Systems" from **Dr. Bryan Foy.**

Trinity offers the Illinois and Iowa Quad-Cities cardiovascular services that include life-saving open-heart surgery and interventional cardiology procedures.

Dr. Foy graduated cum laude from Georgetown University and earned his medical degree from the Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine. Continuing at Loyola, Dr. Foy completed his internship, residency and a fellowship in cardiovascular and thoracic surgery.

Board-certified by the American Board of Surgery and the American Board of

Thoracic Surgery, Dr. Foy is a fellow in the American College of Surgeons and American College of Cardiology. He holds memberships in the International Society for Heart Transplantation and the Society of Thoracic Surgeons.

Dr. Foy is an associate professor in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at Loyola where he is the surgical director of heart transplantation and circulatory assist devices, and director of the residency training program in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009 ...

Aquatic biologist tells a true fish story

At the Nov. 11 meeting **Jeremiah Haas,** principal aquatic biologist at Exelon's Quad-Cities Nuclear Station,



provided some fascinating information about the environmental programs connected with the installation.

The Cordova plant is the only one in the United States with a fish biologist. Haas is there because the plant uses river water to cool the process, and he monitors the quality of the water both above and below the plant. To do that, he catches fish – a lot of fish – to check their weight and length, and toss them back. He knows where he caught them. He knows where he released them – many

thousands of bass, walleye, bluegill, sauger, crappie, northerns, paddlefish, sturgeon, sheep's head.... Some stick around, some swim away – fish bearing his brands have been caught as far away as Des Moines and Peoria.

In Illinois, nuclear plants generate 47% of the electric power. The Cordova plant consumes a million gallons of Mississippi River water *a minute*. While some fish are killed in the process, the fish hatchery that Haas operates releases an average of 190,000 fish into the river each year. In his spare time he also monitors river mussel propagation and works with fishing tournaments in the Quad-City area.

The meeting opened...



On Veterans Day, in a room bedecked in American flag regalia, **President Dave Death** 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?”

Under the direction of **Carter LeBeau**, accompanied by pianist **Bernie Vogel**, we sang “America the Beautiful.” During Moments of Reflection – which included prayers and thoughts for victims of the shooting at Ft. Hood – President Dave announced the death of Deb Olson, **Tom Olson**’s mother.



After a detour through the Northwestern fight song (during which its two alumni in our midst put on a shameful display of purple), the Veterans Day tribute continued with a medley of military songs: “The Caissons Go Rolling Along (Army),” “Anchors Aweigh (Navy),” “The Marine Hymn” and “Up We Go into the Wild Blue Yonder (Air Force).”

Announcements...

→ **Ann Kappeler** arranged for two work nights to tag books at the Bettendorf Library – as our challenge to Bettendorf Kiwanis to become the champions of book tagging. Works nights are 5-9 p.m. Mondays, Nov. 23 and Nov. 30. Each evening’s team can have up to 36 volunteers.

→ **Mark Ross** said volunteers who will deliver Thanksgiving baskets will receive the name of their recipient family and other information soon. The baskets will be delivered Nov. 21.

→ **Kevin Kraft** presented the **GOLD AWARD** certificate from the Association for the U.S. Army to Bettendorf Rotary for our work in promoting discount cards for all veterans that can be used at many businesses in the Quad Cities.



→ **Greg Adamson** invited members to the event that afternoon at the Middle Park Bandshell where he was master of ceremonies at the dedication of a new kiosk that makes it simpler to find each name on the columns in the Bettendorf Veterans Memorial in the park.



At the ceremony, **Simon Bowe** represented his family's business, Bowe Machine Co., which manufactured the kiosk, and **Joe Douglas**, as president pro tempore of Bettendorf City Council represented the city.



→ Bettendorf Rotary Lobsterfest Committee, which meets the first Thursday of each month, includes **Donna Freese,**

Frank Mitvalsky, Paul Scranton, Kaye LeBeau, Carter LeBeau, Ken Vandersnick, Sharon Sharver, Rich James, Ann Kappeler, Steve Nielson and Chairman **Scott Naumann.**

The News...

With **Lora Adams** absent, **Fred Anderson** (who says he didn't know she wouldn't be there; that's his story, and he's sticking to it) asked voracious news-hounds to check with CNN...

Sergeant at Arms...

Sgt-at-arms **Dick Schillig** collected \$148 for our foundations, by regaling us with of the tail of the Dog Named Sex, as reported in a recent **Bill Wundrum** column.



Ryan \$\$: Carolyn Leutwyler, Carter LeBeau, Jim Slavens, Greg Adamson, Sharon Sarver, George Coin and Frank Mitvalsky all chipped in \$\$ for flags, politicians, free books on Google, election to office, handing out grant money and ... more gloating about Northwestern's gridiron triumph over the previously undefeated Hawkeyes.



Secretary Chuck introduced: Visiting Rotarians...

Bill Tubbs, North Scott: PDG & Publisher
Ed Helm, Geneseo, IL: Insurance

... And guests...

Tony Helm with his father **Ed Helm**
Emma Legare with her father **Jim Legare**

Christiana Zellmar, introduced by **Jim Spelhaug** – the **Scott**

Community College student who received a Bettendorf Rotary Scholarship; she's studying to be a sign-language interpreter.



Missing Today:

Adams, Ahlstrand, Boeye, Calabrese, Chambers, Dobesh-4, Douglas, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-20, Freemire, Gudgel-2, Hartsock-3, Hintermeister, Hilton, Kinsley, Koos-5, Lanum, McWilliams, L. Miller, Olson, Ploehn, Powers, Rabine, Richards-3, Ricketts-McCool, Selden-5, Sherrick-5, Spyrow-20, Schutte-8, Scranton, Volbrecht-2, Worley-5.

Make-ups:



Duncan Cameron @ Naples and Naples-North, Fla.
At Charities Board meeting: Jeff Hassel, Ann Kappeler, Ralph Heninger, Sharon Sarver, Kevin Kraft.
At committee meeting after our regular meeting: Jeff Hassel, **Rick St. Laurent**, Bob Gallagher, Brian Kennedy, S.K. Nanda, Mark Ross, Carl Loweth,

Duncan Cameron.
At U.S. Army award dinner last week: David Deuth, Kevin Kraft, Chelsea Powers.

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.
Nov. 18 – Trinity cardiac care

Nov. 25 – Xinoteca latrines - Bill Burress/ Jim Peterson

News Staff...

Editor Fred Anderson...
Reporter Chuck Mooney...
Photographer Carter LeBeau...
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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

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