



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
July 21, 2010, issue

Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, July 28, 2010, at
The Fortune Garden Restaurant



Y executive to speak about our youth

The scheduled speaker at the July 28 meeting is Zach Klipsch, executive director of YMCA Camp Abe Lincoln, who will speak about youth development.

The 244-acre Camp Abe Lincoln, according to its Website, “is one of the Midwest’s oldest and best known camps.” It is located between Davenport and Muscatine along the Mississippi.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, July 21, 2010

River Action: fun, education on river

In addition to talking about the RiverWay Project to improve amenities along the Mississippi River, our speaker at the July 21 meeting, **Kathy Wine**, executive

director of River Action, updated us on many of the organization’s projects, events and river-related recreation opportunities. Among them:



“**Floatzilla!**” – an attempt to break the Guinness World Record flotilla of canoes and kayaks – will be... set afloat at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, in Lake Potter at Sunset Park, Rock Island. Click on www.floatzilla.org for details and to register.

Water trails – The Quad Cities, between Princeton-Cordova and Buffalo-Andalusia, has 45 miles of water trails, and they tie into 73 miles of recreational trails for hiking, jogging or cycling along the Mississippi and Rock Rivers. If you



RiverAction

missed getting your own map, contact River Action at www.riveraction.org, call 322-2969, or stop by 822 E. River Drive, Davenport.

Check on these and other River Action programs, such as the Upper Mississippi River Conference Aug. 25-27, and Retain the Rain barrels – which cuts runoff into the Mississippi as it supplies rainwater for your garden.

The RiverWay Project, begun in 1996, has raised more than \$4.5 million for trail improvements, public art projects on the river, river education, wetland restoration, and storm drain and clean water programs.

The meeting opened...

President Jeff Hassel opened the meeting by leading the club in recitation of the 4-Way Test and singing of the day's patriotic song, "America the Beautiful."



After Moments of Reflection, singing resumed with **Carter LeBeau** – accompanied on the 88s by **Bernie Vogel** – leading us in renditions of "Up a Lazy River" (a nod to the day's program), "In the Good Old Summertime" and "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" ("root, root, root for the Bandits...").

Secretary Chuck introduced: Visitors:

John Swarmey with Frank Mitvalsky
Todd Ashby with Mike Freemire
Club guest Patrick Newhouse, who found our club through our Website

Presentations...



→ **PHF+1. Phil Kinsley** received the Paul Harris Fellowship + 1 sapphire pin from **S.K. Nanda**, the chapter Foundation chair. The pin signifies \$2,000 in donations to the Foundation.

→ **Thanks for LobsterFest support.** In thanks for the school's hosting our club for its fourth annual LobsterFest – and helping the event in many other ways –



event chair **Scott Naumann** presented a check for \$500 to **Rick St. Laurent**, headmaster of Rivermont Collegiate.

Announcements...

→ Rotary in Motion

Challenge. Just 138 miles separate the "Step Teasers" led by Capt. **Kevin Kraft** from the "RotoRockets" under Capt. **Kurt Lokenvitz** with 47 days (that was then; now it's 45) left until Labor Day and the Run With Carl events, **Dick Schillig** and **Chelsea Powers** announced.



At the meeting, Kurt reported that **Audi Foster** and **Joe Douglas** had each added more than 20,000 steps. And he welcomed new team members **Frank Mitvalsky** and **Diane Ricketts-McCool**, who between them had walked 148,991 steps.

Chelsea said members could still join the challenge – just send her an email: cpowers@holmesmurphy.com.

→ **Rotary Night at the Ballpark.** President **Jeff** reminded all that **Wednesday, Aug. 4**, “Rotary Night At The Ball Park,” the annual fundraiser – involving all QC-area Rotary clubs – to benefit Polio Plus. Rotary keeps \$3 of every \$7 admission ticket sold to that evening’s game at Modern Woodmen Park. Full details next week??



→ **Bettendorf Rotary Golf Outing.** **John Rabine** set the date for the club’s annual Golf Outing and Steak Fry – **Wednesday, Sept. 15.** He asked for

help, and got 5 of them at the meeting. Stay tuned for more details.



→ **Membership Committee.** During the week **Connie Mangler**, Membership chair, circulated an email announcing the members of ... well, the

Membership Committee: **Kirsten Adams, Donna Freese, Steve Habenicht, Kevin Kraft, Tim Lane, Tim Lofgren, Chelsea Powers, Dawn Saul and Jonna Schuler.**

The news...

Fred Anderson reported some of the day’s news: Rod Blagojevich won’t testify at his corruption trial... a relief tunnel should reach BP’s broken oil well

in the Gulf of Mexico by the weekend... China’s largest oil spill covers 165 square miles... Afghan leader says his forces can handle that nation’s security by 2014... Peruvian man arrested at Mexico City airport with 18 baby monkeys in his girdle... Iowa City man arrested for hitting another man... for not hugging him.

Sergeant at Arms...

Just by asking for \$2 – and tales of happiness – **President Jeff** collected \$168 plus \$191 in birthday cash. **Ryan Happy \$\$** came from:



Steve Piart – birthday... **Todd Larson** – certainly a good reason (but, alas, the reporter’s notes were cryptic)... **Frank Mitvalsky** – birthday + canoe trip with his kids... **Frank Schwab** – birthday... **Augie**

Foster – 7 miles of pipes in Davenport that *aren’t* leaking... **Rich James** – going to the BSA’s 100th Jamboree... **Doyle McCully** – his cardiologist OKs his run in the Bix... **George Daugherty** – “Can’t we find a seat for Doyle in the



front of the room?”... **Penny McGimpsey** – running in her 20th Bix... **Dave Deuth** – his friend, pianist to the President, played in Dave’s living room... **Carl Loweth** – time with his granddaughter...

and something sacrilegious about Cards beating Cubs... **Mike Freemire** – beat his son biking... and something about RAGBRAI... **Kevin Kraft** – ‘What happens on RAGBRAI stays on RAGBRAI’... **Bob Lundin** – Chambers of commerce merger vote coming up...

Missing Today:

L. Adams, Adamson-3, Ahlstrand-3, Atnip, Blaske-3, Brown-3, Brummel-3, Cameron-2, Chambers-3, Coley, DeDoncker, Dobesh-3, Douglas, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-3, Felsing-2, Gallagher-2, Habenicht-2, Hartsock, Heinrichs-2, Heninger, Hintermeister, Hinton-3, Jones-3, Kappeler, Kennedy, Lane, Lanum, Legare, Nielsen, Pelecky-2, Ploehn, Richards-3, Ross, Scranton, Selden-3, Sherrick, Spellhaug, Schutte, Volbrecht-2, Worley-2

Make-Ups:

At today’s committee meetings: Mike Freemire, Kristan Adams, Tony Calabrese, Brad Boeye, Simon Bowe, Rick St. Laurent, George Coin, Linda Miller, Tim Downing, Sharon Sarver, Carl Loweth, Tim Lofgren, Rich James, Bob Lundin, Todd Larsen, Nicole McWilliams, Connie Mangler, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Tom Olson, Fred Anderson, John Rabine, Ken Vandersnick.

Future meetings:

July 28: Zach Klipsch, “Youth Development”

Other Rotary news...

Past President **Carolyn Leutwyler** has joined the Venice-Nokomis Rotary Club, Venice, Fla.

The **North Scott Rotary Club** will hold its annual **Corn Boil** at the Mississippi

Valley Fairgrounds 6 p.m. Thursday, July 29... fresh corn, pork chops and much more for just \$10 apiece. If you’d like to attend as part of a Bettendorf Rotary group, contact **Nicole McWilliams**: nmcwilliams@pensioninc.com or 332-3071 ext. 209.

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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