



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

**Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club**  
Dec. 22, 2010, issue

## *Next meeting:*

Noon Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2010,  
at The Fortune Garden Restaurant

## **Scranton, Kass, Archer tell all...**



At the last meeting of 2010 we learn about the day jobs of three new, or fairly new, members of Bettendorf Rotary, thanks to the efforts of Vocational Chair

**Sharon Sarver.**

**Paul Scranton**, a member since Sept. 9, 2009, is an investment counselor with Morgan Stanley / Smith Barney, Davenport. He's married to Emily, and in his spare time he enjoys golfing, tennis, activities with the kids, reading and traveling.

**Glenn Kass**, owner of Catch Driver Marketing & Communications, Moline, joined Bettendorf Rotary Sept. 29 of this year. Originally from Millburn, N.J., Glenn moved to the Quad Cities in 1995 to work for the Quad-City Mallards. Earlier, he worked in Idaho and Virginia. He enjoys music, sports and keeping up

with current events. His children are Ryan, Lauren and Emma.

**John Archer**, a corporate attorney with Deere & Company for 10 years, has been a member since Nov. 16. John was elected to the Pleasant Valley School Board in 2009. He enjoys golf, travel, reading and time with family – wife Andrea and children, Henry and Beatrice.

## *Last meeting:*

Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010

## **QCT's Doxsie makes bowl predictions**



With post-season football bowl games now underway, *Quad-City Times* Sports Editor **Don Doxsie** gave his second annual prognostications on the Big 10 (12) games and answered members' sports questions.

Before he got a chance to speak, **Brian Kennedy** (who introduced Don) took a cue from **President Jeff** – who by that point had dropped at least 43 hints about his birthday (Dec. 23) – and led a group-sing “Happy Birthday, Mr. President.”



When he finally got a chance to talk, Don predicted the outcome of the eight games involving Big 10(12) teams: **Wisconsin**

over TCU... **Ohio State** topping Arkansas... **Alabama** overcoming Michigan State... **Michigan** defeating Mississippi State... **Penn State** beating Florida... **Texas Tech** over Northwestern... **Illinois** topping Baylor... and **Missouri** “probably will beat Iowa,” he said. “It will depend on which Iowa team shows up,” he added. “If they play like the mid-season Hawks, they could win.... Odds-makers say it’ll be Missouri by one, so I think it’ll be close.”

Don noted that 72 teams were bowl-eligible this year, and there are 35 bowl games (Northeastern and Temple were left out – in case you ever make it on “Jeopardy”). With every bowl team earning huge bucks, he said, “Money – it’s the reason we still have bowls instead of a national championship system.”

Commenting on the Big 10(12)’s division names – “Legends” and “Leaders” – he



said 90% of *QCT* readers – and 96% of *Chicago*

*Tribune* readers – turned thumbs-down to those monikers. He liked Brian’s suggestion that they be called “Great Lakes” and “Great Plains” divisions.

When **Glenn Kass** complimented Don’s biography of baseball pitcher *Iron Man McGinnity*, he quipped, “It’s still available on Amazon.”

### The meeting opened...

**President Jeff Hassel** led the recitation of “The 4-Way Test” and singing of the day’s patriotic song, “God Bless America.” After Moments of Reflection, the singing resumed – under the direction



of choir-master **Tom Howard** and guest pianist **Gail Baldwin** – with a seasonal flavor: “Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer” and “We Wish You

a Merry Christmas.” Between the group songs, Tom sang a solo, “Mary’s Little Boy Child.”

For the second time in three weeks, NO GUESTS attended the day’s meeting.



### Announcements...



→ **Merry Christmas to our waitress.** As promised last week, **Decker Ploehn** again collected \$\$ from members for a Christmas gift for our waitress, **Ying Cheng**. Her gift – \$968 in cash.

→ **Holiday Party.** Mail your reservation for the Holiday Party to **Lisa Brown by Jan. 3 – with \$35 per person, payable to Bettendorf Rotary Club, to 5331 Taylor Ave., Bettendorf 52722.**

The party will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, at the Crow Valley Country Club.

→ **Social hour.** To foster camaraderie among BRC members, the Board decreed

a BRC Social Hour for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month – kicking off at **5:15 p.m.** **Jan. 17 at Symposium Café.** It will meet at a different spot each month.

→ **Want a PHF medallion? Secretary Chuck** noted, “If any of our Paul Harris members would like a PHF medallion to go with their pin, they may order one directly from R.I. – either phone 847-866-4600 or go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and click on Shop.”

### The news...

**Fred Anderson** reported two tales of the season, ripped from the headlines: the Sacramento Choral Society & Orchestra tried to do a good deed by singing at a mall that was down on its luck – but drew such a big crowd they had to close the place for safety reasons... and a disgruntled taxi passenger pulled a knife while arguing with the driver; the driver jumped out, so did the passenger... but left \$\$ for the fare – plus tip. Talk about the Christmas spirit...

### Sergeant at Arms...

**President Jeff** collected \$128 for our foundations – but he had to work *really hard*. “Isn’t anybody happy today?” he pleaded. Finally, he found his own pocket, and things started to happen.



**Ryan \$\$** came from these happy – or at least persuadable – folks: **President Jeff** – a promised \$38 check for his birthday... then he took it up to \$50 because the Bears are the NFL Central Division champs...

**Decker Ploehn** – kids will be home for Christmas... **Paul Scranton** – when told his class was going to celebrate Jesus’ birth, his son asked, “Is Jesus in my class?”... **Harry Coin** – kudos to the Bettendorf PD for quickly digging out a lead in a burglary... **Tom Howard** and **Carl Loweth** – heart-warming stories of giving Christmas baskets... **Audie Foster** – happy to take his kids sledding.

### Missing today:



K. Adams, L. Adams, Ahlstrand-3, Atnip, Blaske-3, Bowe-3, Brown, Brummel-17, Coley, Douglas-7, Downing, Eikenberry-3, Ellstrom-25, Falk, Freemire, Freese-3, Gallagher, Gudgel, Hartsock-2, Heinrich, Heninger-2, Hintermeister-2, Hinton-6, James, Jochmann-5, Jones-21, Kraft, Lanum-12, Larsen, Lofgren-7, Lokenvitz-2, McWilliams-3, Mangler, G. Miller, L. Miller-2, Olson, Pelecky-6, Powers, Praul-3, Richards-15, Schillig-5, Schuler,

Spelhaug, Schutte-2, Vogel-2, Volbrecht-2, Worley-9

### Make-ups:

At today’s committee meetings: Diane Ricketts-McCool, Phil Kinsley, Tony Calabrese, Carl Loweth, Jen DeBuhr, Jerry Felsing, Laurie Dobesh, Audie Foster, Rick St. Laurant, Sharon Sarver, Duncan Cameron, Dawn Saul, S.K.



Nanda, John  
DeDoncker, Bob  
Lundin, Penny  
McGimpsey, Frank  
Mitvalsky, David  
Death, Mark Ross,  
Glenn Kass, Bob  
Gabrilson, Brian  
Kennedy, Steve  
Sorensen, Decker  
Ploehn

### **Upcoming meetings...**

**Dec. 29:** Vocational Services Talks – Sharon Sarver

### **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

