



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club  
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**Next “meeting”\*:**  
(About) noon Wednesday, July 4,  
2012, at Results Marketing



## **\*Not really a meeting, but...**

**... An opportunity to celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup> with fellow Rotarians**

It’s not an *official* meeting – but new **President Mark Ross** said he’ll count it as a make-up. All you have to do is accept **Todd Ashby**’s invitation to watch Bettendorf’s Old Fashioned July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade from Results Marketing, 2018 Grant St., and stay for a picnic.

If you’re going, please contact Todd and let him know you’re coming: 322-2065 or [todd@resultsimc.com](mailto:todd@resultsimc.com)).

Park at Rivermont Collegiate, and walk to Results. Parade steps off at 10 a.m.

**Last meeting:**  
Tuesday, June 27, 2012



## **Scott retires... Mark takes over**

With thanks to all members present – and special thanks to the Board of Directors, **Scott Naumann** remained true to his credo, “If you can make somebody laugh, it’s been a good day,” as he ended his year as president of the Bettendorf Rotary Club 2011-12.

The 2011-12 Board consisted of: President **Scott Naumann**, President-elect **Mark Ross**, Club Services **Chelsea Powers**, Community Services **Sharon Sarver**, Vocational Services **Kevin Kraft**, International Services **Lee Semenow** and **Ann Kappeler**, Youth Services **Jim Spelhaug**, Rotary Foundation **S.K. Nanda**, Past President **Jeff Hassel**, and Secretary-treasurer **Chuck Mooney**, with assistance from **George Daugherty**.



Known for his wit and “motivating” characters such as Louie the Lobster and The Coach, Scott said, “As long as you care, you can make a difference” in the community – through a combination of sincerity of purpose and fun. He recalled the comment of visiting South African Rotarian **Elizabeth “Biffy” Danckwerts** who said, “I love your wonderfully mad club” – which he intoned with a perfect-pitch South African accent.

With a tongue-in-cheek homage to the Italian cruise-ship captain who ran his boat aground during Scott’s term (no connection, really), he then placed an over-sized captain’s hat on incoming **President Mark Ross** and advised, “Just don’t tip the thing over.”

After the obligatory gavel exchange and bestowing of Rotary pins befitting their new statuses, President Mark introduced the 17 past presidents who remain BRC members, thanked the continuing Board members – some with new assignments – and noted that **Chris Glass** has joined the leadership cadre and **Theron Schutte** will share youth services duties with **Jim Spelhaug**.

Noting the importance of personal relationships among Rotarians, Mark

made special mention of the sponsor-new member relationship and urged each member to write “My Rotary Story,” which can be displayed on the newly redesigned BRC Website.

Mark outlined his goals for the club during the 2012-13 presidential year:

→ Become more involved in the work of District 6000 – *our* district.

→ Encourage all members to know and more deeply appreciate the history of BRC, since its 1957 founding.

→ Urge more member participation in club events – and emphasize retention of members as well as recruitment of new ones. He urged each member to invite three prospects to attend meetings.

→ Volunteer more to work in club activities – “It’s part of being a Rotarian,” he said.

→ Establish an effective mentor-mentee relationship for new members.

→ With the other Iowa-QC Rotary clubs, establish a Rotaract Club in the community.

→ Establish “corporate memberships” for the major QC employers.



**Mark Ross eats his last meal as present-elect.**



### **The meeting opened...**

...with **President Scott Naumann** leading the recitation of the 4-way test and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – since neither song leader nor accompanist was in attendance. Without those musicians, Scott saw his reign end with the achievement of one of his “goals” – no singing at meetings (well, one anyway).

### **Secretary Chuck introduced:**

**Guest:**

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### **Presentation...**

**S.K. Nanda** presented **Lee Semenow** with his Paul Harris Pin and Certificate, signifying that he has contributed \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation. S.K. noted that *every* BRC member becomes a Paul Harris Fellow after 5 years, because the club matches the member’s contribution. The Foundation, S.K. said, was founded 95 years ago when a trust fund was



started with \$26.85 left from the previous year’s convention. It struggled to grow until 1947 when the death of Paul Harris prompted an outpouring of donations and the fund topped \$1 million. Now the fund draws about \$100 million a year from world-wide contributors. Those funds underwrite hundreds of projects to improve people’s lives world-wide.

### **Announcements...**



→ **So long, Phil.** **President Scott** bade farewell to **Phil Kinsley**, a member since 1985 who is retiring and moving out of town. Taking the mic, Phil said he leaves “with a heavy heart” made lighter by “all the great times.” Phil and **Decker Ploehn** joined at the same time. Phil was president in 2000, and during his term the Interact club was started and the BRC *News* went electronic.

→ **LobsterFest ‘autopsy.’** The committee found ways to tweak improvements in many areas of the event and emerged with “renewed enthusiasm,” according to **President Scott**.



→ **Run with Carl / Rotary in Motion.** **Chelsea Powers** and **Dick Schillig** issued the first report on the next BRC major event, Run with Carl – which steps off in just 67 days. To tune everybody up, the Rotary in Motion Challenge begins Sunday, July 1. As you know, in RiM each participating member records his/her steps daily and converts them to miles. After the meeting, Dick explained, “Anyone with problems converting steps to miles – let me know. We also allow additional activities – biking, swimming, etc. – in the Challenge. Let me or Chelsea know if you need help with those conversions.”

Teams may not be officially assigned until after the July 11 meeting. Captains are **Kurt Lokenvitz**, **Chris Salm** and **Jonna Schuler**.

Signup sheets went around the room at the June 27 meeting, and log sheets for recording daily steps and pedometer packets were handed out. If you missed any of those things, but want them, they

will be at the July 11 meeting – or email Dick, [rjsandassoc@att.net](mailto:rjsandassoc@att.net)

“There will be a special ‘twist’ in this year’s Rotary-in-Motion Challenge,” Dick added – “to be announced later.”

→ **Raffle fundraiser.** **Chris Glass** outlined a proposed project to raise funds “so we can fulfill more grant requests from the community,” he said. BRC would sell 2,000 raffle tickets at \$25 each to raise \$50,000; the owner of the winning ticket would get \$20,000, leaving \$30,000 for charity grants. To sell tickets to non-BRC members, the club would staff a booth at community events through the summer. This would also provide an opportunity to promote BRC and its charitable work – and recruit new members.

### The news...

**Lora Adams** compiled this summary, which was waived: The Colorado wildfire forced evacuation of more than 32,000 Colorado Springs residents.... The Iowa GOP has written some new caucus procedures.... A robbery in a Moline hotel led to the arrests of 5 suspects.... Former presidential candidate John Edwards and Rielle Hunter have ended their relationship (prompting Lora to observe, “Oh, you crazy kids.”).

### Sergeant at arms...



Happy Bucks collected \$204 for our foundations. **John Ryan** Happy \$\$ came from the wallets of **Todd Larsen** – thanks to **Jerry**

**Felsing** for his excellent work after Todd’s son accidentally shot out a neighbor’s window (Todd, is your

neighborhood safe?)... **Theron Schutte** – second grandchild is on the way... **Chris Salm** - \$31 for **Phil Kinsley's** years as a State Farm agent... **George Daugherty** – youngest daughter moved to Utah + thankful for good health... **Greg Blaske** – wife and daughter are back from London, where his daughter sang in an honor choir... **Nicole McWilliams** – 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

### Missing today...

K. Adams, Archer, Boosalis-12, Brown-2, Calabrese, Carter, Castro, Daley, DeBuhr-5, DeDoncker, Deuth, Dobesh-4, Duda, Edwards-9, Ellstrom-26, Felsing, Gallagher, Hartsock, Hassel-2, Heninger, Hinton-3, James, Kappeler, Kass-2, Kellenberger, LeBeau, Limberg-2, Lokenvitz, Marvin, Murray-2, Murphy-2, Nelson-26, Olson-2, Oswald, Pelecky-26, Ricketts-McCool, Schuler, Scranton, Spelhaug-2, St. Laurent-5, Topper-3, Volbrecht-5, Windmiller, Worley-2.

### Make-ups...

**June 25:** LobsterFest “autopsy” meeting: Penny McGimpsey, Mark Ross, Chelsea Powers, Lee Semenow, Dawn Saul, Sharon Sarver, Ken Vandersnick, Scott Naumann

**June 27:** Marketing-Events Committee meeting: Chelsea Powers, Chris Glass, Brent Werner, Penny McGimpsey, Mark Ross, Fred Anderson, Lora Adams

### Upcoming meetings...

**July 4:** Watch Bettendorf's Old Fashioned July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade from Results Marketing and stay for a picnic.

**July 11:** District 6000 **Gov. Terry Geiger** and his wife, Terry, from the Rotary Club of Decatur County Iowa.

Have program ideas? Contact **Brian Kennedy: 340-5114, [bmfkennedy@att.net](mailto:bmfkennedy@att.net)**

### In other BRC news...



➔ **Marketing/Events Committee.** The newly combined Marketing/Events Committee held its first meeting June 27 to set goals to accomplish during **Mark Ross's** presidency; they are:

➔BRC will have a promotional presence at six community events during the year.

➔Sell Raffle Tickets (see Announcements)! Also, the committee encourages all BRC members to get involved in more club activities.

➔Continue the monthly Social Hour and increase participation.

➔A Rotary Family Picnic in the spring. This committee meets at 11 a.m. the last Wednesday of each month.

➔ **Membership. Connie Mangler** distributed copies of a report that summarized membership status during the presidency of **Scott Naumann:** total membership of 108; 13 new; 17 dropped memberships; 48 guests during 2011-12.

### News staff...

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...

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