



**THE  
BETTENDORF  
ROTARY  
CLUB NEWS**  
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club  
Sept. 12, 2012, issue

***Next meeting:***  
Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2012, at the  
Palmer Hills Golf Course



Ken consoles John over his score last year.

**Golf... good food...  
fellowship...**

It's Bettendorf Rotary Club's Annual Golf Outing at Palmer Hills. **John Rabine** gave a complete rundown at the Sept. 12 meeting:

The Golf Outing helps raise funds for the BRC's donations of food baskets at Thanksgiving and food and gift baskets at Christmas.

The event tees off between noon and 1:30 p.m. After golf, it's drinks in the pavilion south of the clubhouse parking lot at 6 dinner at 6:30, with your choice of steak,

chicken or salmon and the customary side dishes, and entertainment at 7.

Cost for the whole day is \$40 for members, \$50 for non-members, and dinner only for \$10 per guest (members are already covered since the outing is in lieu of the regular meeting).

**Hole sponsorships** are still available @ only \$100 apiece. **Silent Auction** items are still needed – contact **Jonna Schuler** ([jonnaschuler@clearchannel.com](mailto:jonnaschuler@clearchannel.com) / 344-7066) or **Tim Lane** (359-9660 / [tim.lane@edwardjones.com](mailto:tim.lane@edwardjones.com)).

Reservations, tee times and questions: **John** ([john.rabine@mssb.com](mailto:john.rabine@mssb.com) / 441-4381) or **Ken Vandersnick** (332-5405). Or register at the BRC Website: <http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/golf-outing>.

***Last meeting:***  
Wednesday Sept. 12, 2012

**Elisa updates us  
on the library**

Our own **Elisa Topper** has been director of the Bettendorf Public Library for seven months now, and she shared both news and her impressions about the



library and the community's use of it. Along the way, she conducted a quiz, and those who answered correctly (or nearly



so...) got to draw goodies from a bag [NOTE: our roving photographer caught **Tim Lane** just after his hand emerged from the goodie bag].

Among Elisa's impressions:

→ Before seeking the job, she researched the library, and Bettendorf, and found it to be "a director's dream," with active support from everyone from the library board to the community in general.

→ She took an *in cognito* walk-through before her interview and was delighted to see "it was packed" with patrons.

→ Before being hired, she was interviewed by every constituency, including the staff, search committee, Decker Ploehn... for 10 hours.

Bettendorfers do use the library a lot, she said, citing statistics such as these:

→ 1,061 meeting at the library over the past year

→ 620,206 items checked out in the year

→ More than 62,000 sessions on the library's 25 computers by adult users, and nearly 4,000 by youths in the year

In the near future, patrons of the Bettendorf Library can expect to see two first-floor restrooms updated for A.D.A. compliance (she thanked **Tim Downey**

for his role in that), and the entire main level "refreshed" – especially the children's areas, she said.

As for the future of libraries, Elisa advised, "Don't get a degree in library science," but instead become knowledgeable in a subject area, such as science, and develop skill as a "knowledge manager" in that area. For more on that, read futurist Thomas Frey: [http://www.davinciinstitute.com/speakers/futurist-speaker-thomas-frey/#topics\\_future\\_of\\_libraries](http://www.davinciinstitute.com/speakers/futurist-speaker-thomas-frey/#topics_future_of_libraries)

### The meeting opened...

**President Mark Ross** called the meeting to order, asked **Tom Howard** to

lead the opening patriotic song, "God

Bless America" – accompanied by **Zoey** on the piano – and Paused for Moments of Reflection. Then Mark remembered "The 4-Way Test," which we all recited, and Tom & Zoey continued to lead the singing with the musical version of "4-Way Test" and "Sunny Side of the Street."



**Secretary Chuck ('a man who needs no introduction') Mooney introduced...**

**Visiting Rotarian:**

Chuck Geisewite, Boerne, Texas:  
Topographic Engineer

**Announcements...**

→ **Retirement coming.** President Mark said that in five years someone new will



have to take over the introductions, his way of announcing that **Secretary Chuck** will be retired.

➔**Thirsty Thursday. Chris Glass** announced that the next “Thirsty Thursday” all-club social will be Sept. 20 at The Clubhouse, 2501 53rd Ave. Bettendorf, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

➔**Charity Fund grants. Jeff Hassel** said the Charitable Funds board is still accepting applications for grants to nonprofit organizations in the QC community. Grants range up to \$2,500, he said, with a total of \$20,000 available from funds generated at the LobsterFest. Contact Jeff (or refer a worthy nonprofit agency to): 336-3008 or [jhassel@davchc.com](mailto:jhassel@davchc.com).



➔**Golf Outing, Sept. 19.** See “Next meeting,” page 1.

### The News...

**Lora Adams** reported the news that you won’t find anywhere else: The U.S. ambassador to Libya and three staffers were killed in Benghazi.... Residents of four Western states are drying out after flooding.... The QC River Bandits won’t be affiliated with the St. Louis Cardinals next season.... A North Carolina woman found her ex-boyfriend hiding in her attic.... A urologist at Wake Forest University is working on being able to rebuild wounded soldiers’ body parts.... A Pennsylvania woman was jailed on charges she offered to strip for cash....

### Jon Ryan Happy \$\$...

**President Mark** collected \$203 for our foundations + \$42 from **Kurt Lokenvitz** (for his birthday) for our Scholarship Fund. These members shared happiness: **Todd Larson** – good words for **Chuck Mooney**... **Harry Coin** – his Dad, **George**, biked his last 2 miles to reach 1,900 this year – before back surgery... **Carter LeBeau** – \$10 for the Bears’ win... **Jonna Schuler** – \$10 for the Cyclones’ win... **George Daugherty** – took *the* parking spot... **Rich James** – noted pianist **Zoey** was wearing Panther purple... **Tim Lane** – kudos to **Scott Naumann** in his play at St. Ambrose: “I laughed my [anatomy – this is a family newsletter] off”... **Dave Deuth** – “The Vikings are perfect and the Pack is 0-1, probably the only time this year”... **Mark Ross** – \$ for **John Archer** campaign + **Chris Glass** is contacting the **Dave Loeb sack** campaign for an equal-time opportunity... **Decker Ploehn** – kudos to **Jean Dickson** and **Ralph Heninger** for quizzing city official job candidates...

## Missing today...

K. Adams-2, Ashby, Boeye-5, Boosalis-10, Bowe-10, Brown-10, Calabrese, G. Coin, Daley, DeBuhr-4, DeDoncker, Dickson, Dobesh-3, Eikenberry-8, Ellstrom-10, Falk, Harrison-8, Hinton-8, Kappeler-3, Kellenberger-3, Kennedy-8, Loweth, Marvin, L. Miller, Mitvalsky, Murphy, Murray-10, Nelson-10, Olson, Oswald, Praul-4, Ricketts-McCool-7, Rolf, Salm-3, Sarver, Sherrick, Werner, Worley-6

## Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Brian Kennedy**. Have program ideas? Contact Brian: 340-5114, [bmfkennedy@att.net](mailto:bmfkennedy@att.net)  
**Sept. 19:** BRC's annual Golf Outing, Palmer Hills Golf Course.

## Other news...

### →Red Cross Preparedness Month.



**Ann Kappeler**, in her role as service delivery manager for the Red Cross in northern Illinois, announced that September is "Preparedness Month," when the Red Cross emphasizes the

need for people, schools, businesses and organizations to make a disaster plan. To learn more, visit [www.readyrating.org](http://www.readyrating.org) or [www.redcross.org/prepare/nationalpreparednessmonth](http://www.redcross.org/prepare/nationalpreparednessmonth). Questions for Ann: (309) 743-2166 / [kappelera@usa.redcross.org](mailto:kappelera@usa.redcross.org).

## News staff...

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...

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## Make-ups...

**Thirsty Thursday, Aug. 16:** Chris Glass, Kurt Lokenvitz, Rich James

**LobsterFest Silent Auction Committee, Sept. 12:** Chelsea Powers, Amber Castro, Joanna Schuller, Tim Lane, Ken Vandersnick



## 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

**For more on BRC – and Rotary – see:**  
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/>