



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Oct. 31, 2012, issue

Next meeting:

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2012, at
Fortune Garden Restaurant

**It's still pending, but
Brian's working on it at
press time, so we know
it'll be a good one...**

Last meeting:

Wednesday Oct. 31, 2012

Agency serves families in crisis

Recently, **Cheryl Goodwin**, president and CEO of Family Resources (who is also president of Davenport Rotary), received a voicemail from a graduate of the organization's S.U.M.M.I.T. program, which helps at-risk youths. "He said it changed his life," Cheryl said. "He went on to say he's married with three children and owns a business that employs about 40 people. 'My world is complete, thanks to you,' he said."

With roots that date back to 1849 in the QC, Family Resources provides services – more than 30 distinct programs – that help individuals in crisis, and their



families, from centers in Davenport, Moline, Burlington, Clinton, Dubuque and Muscatine, Cheryl told BRC members who visited the agency's Davenport campus for the Oct. 31 meeting. Lunch was served in the



gymnasium, which was renovated earlier in 2012 with help from a charitable grant from BRC and a list of other donors. Among improvements, the lower-level pool was filled and replaced with a weight-training room.

Family Resources programs serve the needs of child welfare, juvenile justice, mental health, education and victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. About 50 children and youths live on-campus. They are court-ordered to be there, Cheryl explained. "They have had bad things happen to them, some have



made some bad choices, and they're here to heal" before returning to their families, she explained.

The educational program in Davenport also serves about 80 nonresidential students with certain needs from all Scott County school systems. Classes are taught in separate facilities at the elementary, middle and high school levels. The center prepares about 400 meals daily for students.

Funding is the biggest challenge, Cheryl said. About 80% of funds come from the State of Iowa, but with changes in state support, "we will need more community support to continue this vital work," she said. No other agency provides all of the social services of Family Resources.

To learn more, visit www.famres.org, and to help call the Development Office, 468-2242.



After lunch, BRC members toured the Family Resources campus to see the facilities.

The meeting opened...

Since we were guests of Family Resources, **Sharon Sarver** welcomed us and opened the meeting, along with some of the Fam. Res. Kids, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **President Mark Ross** led the recitation of the 4-Way Test and Moments of Reflection – with special thoughts and prayers for all the victims of Hurricane Sandy.



President Mark dispensed with the singing, news and Jon Ryan Happy \$\$ for this meeting.

Secretary Chuck ("P.R. director for Hurricane Sandy") Mooney introduced:

Guests:

Kay LeBeau with **Carter**
Dee James with **Rich**

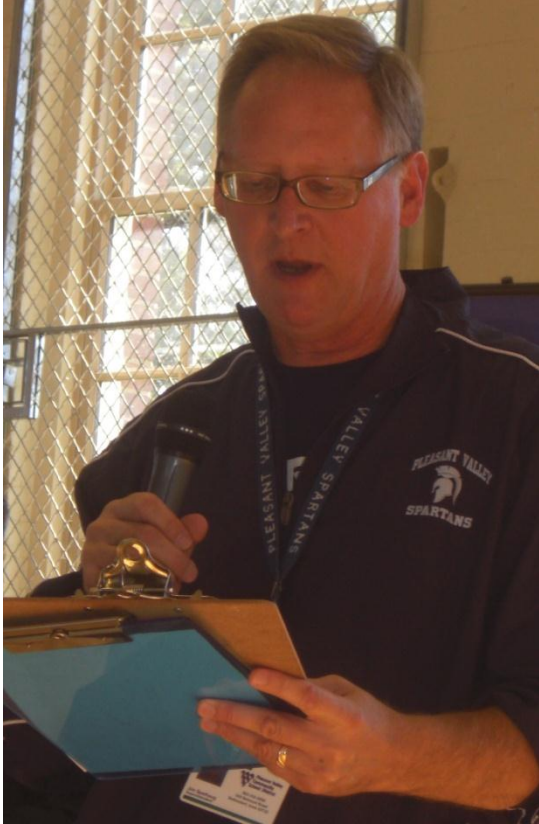
Announcements...

→ Thanksgiving baskets. Kevin Kraft

said the sign-up sheets will go around at next week's meeting for members who wish to volunteer to deliver Thanksgiving food baskets. BRC will deliver 10 baskets on Saturday, Nov. 17.



→ Dictionaries. Jim Spelhaug said more volunteers are needed to deliver



dictionaries to Bettendorf 4th graders – especially at schools in the PV district. Delivery dates begin Nov. 12. Please contact Jim and schedule *your* visit to a classroom – it’s a delightful experience, and an important part of BRC’s service to literacy in this community. So contact Jim: spelhaugjim@pleasval.k12.ia.us or 332-4040

➔ **Fundraisers.** President Mark noted that the **Davenport and Rock Island Rotary clubs** have upcoming fundraising events scheduled – details will be coming by email.



Missing today...

K. Adams-3, L. Adams-3, Archer, Ashby-2, Bibik-2, Blaske, Boeye-2, Bowe-17, Brown-17, Chambers, H. Coin-3, DeDoncker-2, Deuth-3, Dickson-3, Dobesh-2, Downing, Duda- 3, Edwards-

7, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-17, Felsing, Franks-3, Gallagher-2, Glass, Hassel-3, Heninger-2, Hintermeister, Hinton-3, Kappeler-5, Kennedy-5, Limberg-2, Loweth-3, McGimpsey-2, McWilliams-5, Mangler, Marvin-8, Mitvalsky, Murphy-9, Murray-17, Naumann, Nelson-17, Oswald-3, Ploehn, Praul, Ricketts-McCool, Rolf-5, Schutte-2, Scranton-3, Sherrick-3, Volbrecht-7, Werner, Windmiller-4, Worley-15

Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Brian Kennedy**. Have program ideas? Contact Brian: 340-5114, bmfkennedy@att.net
Nov. 14: Bill Griffins, History of the Hennepin Canal
Nov. 21: Stephanie Carmichle, The Project of the Quad Cities

News staff...



Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson... Correspondent: Chuck Mooney... Photographers: Carter LeBeau, Glenn Kass... Webmeister/Web-site host: Chris Glass

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



The Family Resources campus