



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Sept. 25, 2013, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2013, at
Bettendorf Public Library



**We're going to the library
for lunch and a tour**

Next Wednesday, we're taking a "field trip" to the Bettendorf Public Library to grab a bit of lunch and tour the newly renovated sections of the facility.

The project that began July 1 of this year renovated and updated several of the library's sections.

A grant from the BRC Charities Board last year helped to fund the project.

Jeff Hassel made all the arrangements for the Oct. 3 meeting.

Last meeting:
Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2013

**It was a
Club Assembly**

Every so often it's a good idea to step back and focus on what we're all about – and that's what members of the Board of Directors of BRC did during the Sept. 25 meeting.

President Chelsea began with a break-down of where dues dollars go: Rotary International (per person annually): \$53 dues, \$12 *The Rotarian* magazine subscription, plus several small charges



for a total annual RI fee of about \$69. In addition, each member pays dues to District 6000 – \$30 annually, and to the Paul Harris Foundation – \$25 quarterly for a \$100 annual total. Lunches cost \$9 per week. If someone has difficulty paying dues, she said, the club prefers to work with the member on options, such as installment payments. She urged anyone with a payment issue to contact Past President **Jeff Hassel**.

1. President Chelsea also emphasized how easy and fun it is to make up missed meetings. The meeting times for all QC clubs are published in most issues of this newsletter. If you can't make one of those meetings, she advised, "Try

www.rotaryclubone.org/ for an online makeup.”



Jim Spelhaug, Youth Services co-chair with **Theron Schutte**, summarized BRC programs that support youth in the community:
→Each 4th grader in the

city of Bettendorf – in Bettendorf, Pleasant Valley, Rivermont Collegiate and Morning Star Academy classrooms – receives a personal dictionary.

→The scholarship program for post-high school education has grown from four \$500 scholarships to six annual \$1,000 scholarships (two each for grads from BHS and PVHS and one each for a Rivermont and Scott Community College grad).

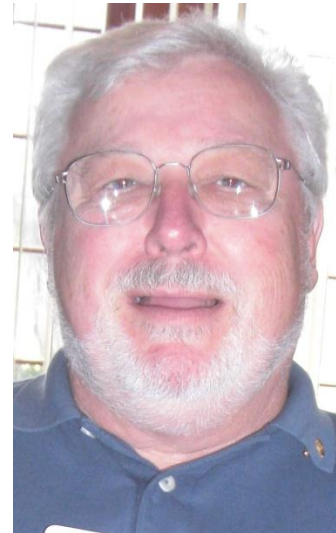
→BRC provides a RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) to one high school student per year from Bettendorf (alternating between BHS and PVHS) to attend the week-long training in Des Moines. “Should we expand the number we provide?” Jim asked.

Lee Semenov, International Service chair, outlined recent changes in that program:

→Each project must address at least one of these six Areas of Focus: peace and conflict prevention or resolution; disease prevention and treatment; water and sanitation; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; or economic and community development.

→BRC currently budgets \$2,000 a year for international projects. With matches from District 6000 and the Rotary foundation, that would grow to \$9,150.

→ In order to meet the Rotary International minimum budget of \$33,750, BRC must partner with three or four other clubs, plus the host club in the country of the project, to take on any new international projects.



Referring to his area as “the glue that holds this club together,”

Kevin Kraft, Club Service chair, enumerated some of the activities in which members can volunteer and become

involved in service:

→Social events such as the annual Golf Outing and the annual Holiday Party

→Fundraising activities such as the annual LobsterFest each June and the Run with Carl events on Labor Day

→Community services such as delivery of holiday food baskets to needy families

→Recruitment of new members – and supporting efforts to establish Rotary clubs in communities that don’t have one.

At coming meetings, President Chelsea said, we will hear about other ways BRC serves: Community Service (**Chris Glass**), Vocational Service (**Jonna Schuler**), Rotary Foundation (**S.K. Nanda**), and a new board position aimed at securing additional matching funding for projects (**Jim Slavens**).



New member inductions...

Doyle McCully inducted two new members into the club. **Dan Thompson**, left, general manager of the Bettendorf Happy Joe's restaurant; he has been with the company for 5 years. Davenport native **Tate Featherstone**, center, returned to the QC, transferred from Des Moines by Arthur Gallagher Insurance. He and his wife have four preschoolers – a 4-year-old and 3-year-old triplets. Both new members were proposed for membership by **Jeff Hassel**.

Announcements...

→ **Grant applicants needed by Oct. 1.** On behalf of the absent **Jeff Hassel**, **President Chelsea** reiterated the deadline for grant applications to the BRC Charities Board is Oct. 1! The Board has \$23,000 available to make grants – more than ever before. Any not-for-profit group in the QC can apply – just go to the Web site, www.bettendorffrotary.com, pull down the “Community” menu and click ‘Rotary Grants.’

→ **Don't come to the Fortune Garden next week:** The Oct. 2 meeting will move to the Bettendorf Public Library, where we'll get lunch and a tour of the newly remodeled facilities, thanks to arrangements made by **Jeff Hassel**.

→ **Please sign in:** **President Chelsea** reminded one and all that a weekly attendance sheet is posted at the front of the buffet line – so we all can check off our name, and **Secretary Johanna** can get an accurate record of attendance.

→ **North Scott Rotary fundraiser-auction:** The three visiting NS Rotarians promoted their fundraising Live & Silent Auction, which begins at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, in the Starlight Ballroom at the Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds. Admission is \$10 – which includes dinner. But the first eight BRC members get in free – **Alexei Bibik** won the “raffle” for a table of eight. If interested, contact Alexei: 328-3161 / alexei.bibik@usbank.com.



Rick Hartsock and guest at the Golf Outing

→ **Golf Outing:** **President Chelsea** led the applause in thanks to **John Rabine** and **Ken Vandersnick** for another successful Bettendorf Rotary Golf Outing & Steak Fry last Wednesday.

The meeting opened...

President Chelsea Powers led the recitation of The 4-Way Test and Moments of Reflection, during which we



learned that **Chuck Mooney** is battling prostate cancer. **Tom Howard** – accompanied by **Scott Naumann's** musical laptop – led the singing of “God Bless America.” After

introductions, **Tom** resumed leading the songfest with renditions of “Sing Out a Song of Rot’ry” and “I’m Looking over a Four-Leaf Clover (that I’ve Overlooked Before).”

The day’s attendance: 56 Bettendorf Rotarians – plus 3 visiting Rotarians from the North Scott club.

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

Cody Allen, North Scott
Margo McInnis, North Scott
Pat Olsen, North Scott

Jon Ryan
Happy \$\$...
(Named in honor of the late Bettendorf Rotarian, master punster and good guy)



President Chelsea collected \$240.20 with a bit from most present – and more from these happy-\$\$ folks: **Kevin Kraft** – invited parents of teen drivers and

about-to-be-drivers to the BHS parking lot on Sunday, Oct. 10, for an event to help teen drivers become better. “There’s still room for 20 more,” he said.

Interested? Contact Kevin: 359.4554 / kevin.kraft@ubs.com... **John**

DeDoncker – ran fast enough in the QC Marathon to qualify for other such races – hence, his check for \$26.20... **Todd Larsen** – bragged about PVHS’s gridiron prowess... **Jay Willsher** – son started USMC boot camp; hoo-rah!... **Tom Howard** – heading for his Purdue class reunion this weekend... **Tim Lane** –

related why he’s proud to be a Rotarian: The RYLA student from North Scott HS was so impressed by meeting the singer Simon Estes at that youth leadership training week –



and learning of his efforts to supply mosquito nets for families in sub-Saharan Africa – that he gave his last \$26.34 for that effort; Estes was so moved he offered him a 4-year scholarship to Wartburg College... **George Coin** – \$\$ in honor of Northwestern University’s four football wins so far this season... **Glenn Kass** – thanks for *QC Times*

editorial saluting the gazebo in Davenport’s riverfront Vets Memorial Park, built by Davenport Rotary – and demonstrating the spirit of giving among all Rotarians... **Brian Kennedy** – BHS and PVHS among the top 10 high schools in Iowa – and PV is No. 1... **Sharon Sarver** – thanks to the BRC members who “test-drove” cars in the recent Family Resources fundraiser.

Missing today...

Adams, K. (13), Adams, L. (9), Bowe (13). Brown (13), Bush (8), Coin, H. (2), Daley (5), Dickson (5). Dobesh (3), Duda (8), Edwards (13), Ellstrom (13), Franks (9), Glass (6), Habenicht (4), Hassel (4), Hill (2), Hintermeister (6), Hinton (10), Hipple (9), Kappeler (11), Limberg (6), Lizak (5), Loweth (4), McWilliams (7), Mannix (2), Miller, L. (2), Mitvalsky (8), Nanda (2), Nelson (13), Olson (7), Oswald (7), Ploehn (3), Salm (9), Schillig (3), Schutte (2), Scranton (11), Sherrick (5), Slavens (2), Sorenson (7), Stopulos (6), Vollbrecht (6), Wessel (3), Worley (13), Zachary (2)

Make-ups

Ashby (Run with Carl)
Coin, H. (Run with Carl)
Coin, G. (Run with Carl)
Hill, J. (Run with Carl)
James (Run with Carl)
Kraft (Board of Directors meeting)
Miller, L. (Run with Carl)
Naumann (Run with Carl)
Pieart (Run with Carl)
Schutte (Board of Directors meeting)
Spelhaug (Board of Directors meeting)

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.: Iowa 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



Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, scottn@midlandcom.com, 445-4260.

Oct. 2: Lunch and tour of renovated sections of the Bettendorf Public Library, thanks to **Jeff Hassel**.

Oct. 9: District 6000 Gov. Jacque Andrew

Oct. 16: Exchange student from Germany, thanks to host **Amber Castro**

Oct. 23: Rob Woodhall, ALCOA director of manufacturing

Oct. 30: Our own **Tony Calabrese** and new CEO of the YMCA

Nov. 6: **Mariannette Miller-Meeks**, director, Iowa Department of Public Health: Affordable Health Care and the status of public health

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