

THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
March 19, 2014, issue

Next meeting:

Wednesday, March 26, 2014, at the
Fortune Garden Restaurant

Focus on youth leadership with PDG Gary Welch

Past District Governor **Gary Welch**, chair of Rotary Youth Leadership for District 6000 will be the guest speaker at the March 26 meeting, when he will update information and present awards in the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership



Award) program. **Gary and Colleen Welch** visited BRC in 2010.

Districts 6000 and 5970 (the other Iowa Rotary district) will jointly present a 6-day leadership conference for high school sophomores and juniors from throughout Iowa on Sunday, July 13-Friday, July 18, at Grinnell College. Students attending will have shown leadership potential, according to RYLA information.

RYLA focuses on the development of “foundational leadership skills for teenagers” by providing training experiences such as the summer conference.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, March 19, 2014



Chuck Long talks about grid career

Now entering his 50s and starting a new career as a business development executive with Holmes Murphy, the Des Moines-based independent insurance brokerage firm, former Iowa Hawkeye quarterback **Chuck Long** entertained an appreciative audience at the March 19 meeting with tales of his collegiate and professional football careers.



“I probably wouldn’t be recruited today,” Long said as he described how legendary Iowa coach Hayden Fry recruited him after he had led his Wheaton, Ill., high school team to a state

championship. Calling himself “a skinny, 170-lb. kid” who had completed just one pass and run “for minus 3 yards” in the game, Chuck at first thought the call from an Iowa assistant coach inviting him to campus was a prank. And his father didn’t believe he had been extended a full-ride scholarship until he had actually talked with Fry on the phone.

Saying he joined the Iowa football program “at just the right time” as Fry was building his program, Chuck described two of his favorite games as quarterback: beating Michigan 12-10 in the 1985 season – “the thrill and euphoria of the crowd after that (game-winning) field goal (as time expired) – and running a bootleg into the end zone to defeat



Michigan State. Before that play, Chuck said, Fry had called him to the sideline and told him to fake a handoff to running back Ronnie Harmon and then sweep

around end. When Chuck started to question Fry, “he told me, ‘Just do it and we’re going to win’. We did.”

In a casual presentation, Chuck also summarized his 7-year career in the NFL and 16 years coaching at the collegiate level. He was head coach at San Diego State and an assistant at Iowa and Oklahoma. “The atmosphere there is a lot different level than at Iowa,” he said. After the Sooners lost only the second home game during his tenure, he said “House for Sale” signs appeared on his front lawn – and those of the entire coaching staff.

Chuck described his first QB start as a pro – for the Detroit Lions, against Chicago the year after the Bears won the Super Bowl. On the first play, defensive end Richard Dent and defensive tackle Dan Hampton sacked him. After the play, “Hampton reached down to help me up,” Chuck said. “Defensive linemen never do that... As I stood up, he said, ‘I just want you to know it’s nothing personal – but we’re going to do this to you all night’.”

Presentations...



→**Paul Harris + 1: S.K. Nanda** recognized **John Sherrick** with a PHF + 1 pin, signifying he had reached the \$2,000 level in giving to the Rotary Foundation.



→ **Banner exchange: Ken Vandersnick**, just back from Colorado, presented a banner from the University Hills Rotary Club, where he made up.

Announcements...



→ **LobsterFest reminders: President Chelsea** called for members to sign up for a job in the June 14 event: “We need lots of volunteers,” she said, “and we still need plenty of sponsors.”

Those already committed to support LobsterFest are:

Gold sponsor (\$2,500): The National Bank

Silver sponsors (\$1,000): Ascentra Credit Union; Bowe Machine; Humana Insurance Plans; Iowa-American Water;

McGinnis-Chambers Funeral Home; Professional Touch Cleaning Services; RJS & Associates; Weerts Funeral Home; Werner Restoration

Bronze sponsors (\$500): Califf & Harper, Attorneys at Law; Estes Construction; Gallagher, Millage & Gallagher, PLC; George Coin; Holmes Murphy & Associates; Home Instead Senior Care; Results Marketing; Steve’s Mirror & Glass; Sharon & Brad Sarver; Swiss Valley Farms; Wells Fargo Advisors-Rich James

→ **Celebrating 25 years of women in Rotary:** “Women were first admitted into Rotary membership 25 years ago,”

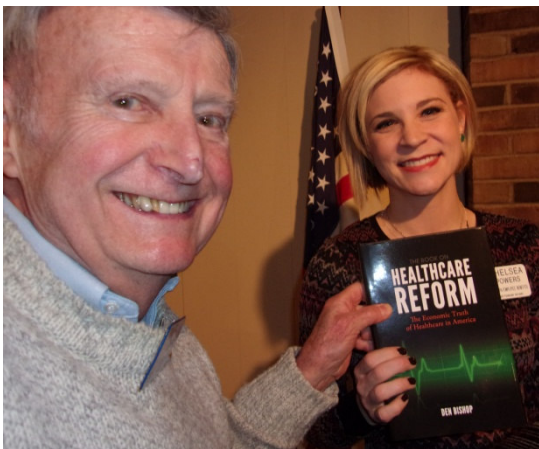
President Chelsea noted. To mark that milestone, Rotary International urges each club to work toward the goal of 25% women membership, she said. Then she pointed out that BRC already has nearly achieved the goal, with current active membership of 25 women in a total membership of 106. “And we have had more woman presidents than any of the other 10 QC Rotary clubs,” said **Tom Howard**.

→ **Not an announcement, but... Sharon Sarver** placed a promo at each table for the Family Resources “Opening Doors Film Festival,” 6 p.m. Saturday, April 12, at the Waterfront Convention Center. Featuring the screening of short creative films inspired by Family Resources work, the event will include dinner, a raffle and other fundraising activities. Call 468-2140 for details and reservations.

The meeting opened...

To open the meeting **President Chelsea Powers** called the meeting to order and led recitation of the 4-Way Test. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Ruth Symmons**, led the singing of the day’s patriotic song, “God Bless America.”

After Moments of Reflection, the St. Patrick's Day-inspired medley, begun last week, resumed: "That Rotary Wheel (to the tune of 'Peggy O'Neil')", "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" and "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen" (pitched rather high, so it turned out that maybe Kathleen wouldn't have been *that* eager to go home). The less-than "American Idol" quality performance prompted **Scott Naumann** to plead, "Where *were* you people during rehearsal?"



After the meeting...

President Chelsea handed out a book – *The Book on Healthcare Reform* by Den Bishop, president of Holmes Murphy – to all who wanted one, such as **Frank Schwab**.

Secretary Johanna Smith

introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

Jim Stopulos, Davenport Rotary (Guest of **Pat Stopulos**)

Marcia Brand, North Scott Rotary

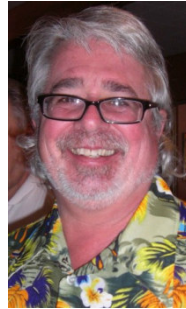
Tom Bley, Maquoketa Rotary

Guests:

Ruth Symmons, pianist

Chuck Long, Holmes Murphy (speaker)

Total attendance was 39 Bettendorf Rotarians, 2 guests and 3 visiting Rotarians.



**Jon Ryan
Happy \$\$...**

(Named in honor of the late Bettendorf Rotarian, punster, jokester and all-around good guy)

President Chelsea collected \$326 from the gathered throng, especially these Rotarians: **Jeff Hill** – \$20 to honor BHS taking 3rd in the state basketball tourney... **Bob Ryken** – birthday + anniversary: "\$120 – you figure out how much for each"... **Steve Sorenson** – a good swim at the Y pool... **Marcia Brand** (visiting Rotarian) – happy to work at Camp Shalom... **Rich James** – \$100 for sharing a birthday ("two-thirds of the way to 100") with a grandson... **Tim Lane** – (referring to the earlier song-fest:) "I now know why the Irish drink"... **Tim Downing** – happy about the Cyclones winning the Big 12 Championship and headed for the Big Dance [8:50 p.m. Friday, March 21, on TNT. Ed. Fred] + going to France on vacation...



Missing today...

➔ Remember to check your name on the list at the head of the buffet line. If you don't, you could end up absent without really meaning to be...

(Number in parentheses: total meetings missed since July 1, 2013):

Adams (30), Bell, Bibik (21), Blaske (18), Bowe (34), Brown (35), Bush (31), Calabrese (14), Castro (10), Chambers (20), Coin, G. (13), Coin, H. (6), Daley (12), Daugherty (11), Death (17),

Dickson (23), Dobesh (13), Duda (26), Eikenberry (24), Ellstrom (36), Falk (8), Felsing (14), Franks (26), Gallagher, Sr. (19), Gallagher, Jr. (11), Gause (15), Gudgel (23), Habenicht (20), Hassel (16), Heninger (15), Hintermeister (20), Hinton (33), Hipple (22), Hurd (9), Kappeler (30), Kennedy (33), Larsen (17), Lizak (21), Loweth (19), McGimpsey (9), McWilliams (30), Mannix (18), Marvin (21), Miller, L. (18), Mitvalsky (15), Naeve (12), Nelson (35), Olson (17), Oswald (23), Ploehn (9), Rabine (8), Ricketts-McCool (20), Ross (11), Salm (26), Schuler (2), Scranton (30), Spelhaug (2), Stone (9), Tirone (2), Vollbrecht (27), Werner (28), Windmiller (12), Worley (36), Zachary (14)

Make-ups...

Brad Morrison (eClub One Online)
Ken Vandersnick (Rotary Club of University Hills, CO)



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, Rapids 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:
March 26: Past District Governor Gary Welch, chair of Rotary Youth Leadership Awards: RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) presentation
April 16: Ami Jenkins and Dave Searl, Quad City Botanical Center

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