



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:

Wednesday, July 2, 2014, at The Fortune Garden Restaurant

**The gavel passes from
Chelsea to Sharon...**



Last meeting:

Wednesday, June 25, 2014



**Ministry turns
lives 180 degrees**

Rusty Boruff slipped into drug addiction, broke some laws and found himself incarcerated. During the year he spent in jail, he was repeatedly visited by an elderly gentleman who drove home the message that “God still loves you,” Rusty said during the June 25 meeting. Finally, he added, the message got through that “somebody still believes in Rusty Boruff.”

That experience led eventually to his founding of The 180 Zone about four years ago with the purpose of turning

around the lives of persons who had made mistakes in life – often, involving incarceration – and helping give them the ability to lead more useful lives.

With a 90 percent success rate, “largely due to our strict intake process,” he said, The 180 Zone uses mentoring, daily classes, work in one of its five Eastgate Industries and faith to turn those lives around.

With help, including financial assistance, from churches, businesses and individuals, The 180 Zone carries out a program with four components:

- ➔ **Residential:** housing 30-40 men and women with troubled pasts who want to change for 1-2 years of directed study, work and mentoring
- ➔ **Discipleship:** similar to the residential program in content, but taking place outside a residential setting
- ➔ **Outreach:** “We see 1,000-1,500 people a year in jails, prisons, meal sites, homeless shelters,” Rusty said.
- ➔ **Preventative:** “We invest in kids in poverty,” he said – such as students at a West Davenport school where a large percentage come from difficult circumstances – and provide a number of opportunities they otherwise would not have had, such as sports camps, a food pantry and trips to attractions like Niabi Zoo.

Because the program is so effective, at a far lower cost than prisons – about \$5,000 per person per year vs. \$30,000 in the penal system, Rusty said – The 180 Zone has drawn attention, and support, from the courts and law enforcement in the QC community.

More information is available at www.the180zone.org or 424-4589.

Announcements...

➔ **Shirt-ordering time really is running out:** **Kevin Kraft** has set a deadline of next Wednesday, July 2, to confirm your shirt size and give him a check for \$32, and he’ll order your new BRC polo-style shirt – in butter yellow or French blue.

➔ **Special International Service**



meeting: An informational meeting on international service projects is set for 3 p.m. next Wednesday, July 2, at **Tim Lane’s** office, 1805 State St., Bettendorf. **Brock Earnhardt** of Davenport

Rotary will lead a discussion of opportunities to collaborate with other clubs, as well as his experience with other District 6000 projects and the new Rotary International grant process. Any interested BRC member is welcome.

➔ **Update your directory info:** “Please take a few minutes and update your online membership directory listing,”



Secretary Johanna Smith urges, “in an effort to keep our membership records and

contact information as up-to-date as possible.” Just go to the BRC Web site, log into your membership profile (it’s in the upper right corner of the home page) and update anything that’s changed – including your photo. Johanna advises new members to use the email address

you registered with as a member, and the password *member*. After logging in, you can change the password. Questions?

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→ **It's the run-up to 20th Run with Carl:** Dick Schillig announced that this year's RWC would be the last – but he emphasized that the Carl D. Schillig Memorial Scholarship Fund (a 501c3 entity) would continue to offer scholarships to Bettendorf and Pleasant Valley grads.

RWC has provided 30 4-year scholarships of \$1,000 per year for BHS and PVHS grads over its 20 years. BRC has been the presenting sponsor for the last 10 years.

With 67 days left until Labor Day and the RWC events, Dick announced that the competition for the President's Challenge Cup would begin officially on July 1 – next Monday. Members could sign up and pick up a new pedometer and step log sheet at the meeting.



To translate your steps, or other activities, into miles use this key:
Walking: 2,100 steps = 1 RWC mile
Running/jogging: 1 mile = 2 RWC miles
Biking: 4 miles = 1 RWC mile
Swimming: 1 mile = 3 RWC miles

Volunteering – as a helper during RWC or as a runner or walker on race day – will earn extra miles for your team. Dick will announce team captains and members next week.

History with Harry... (Harry Coin looks through BRC archives to discover what the club was doing on this date in years past...)



On this day, Wednesday, June 25th, in this room:

With Tom Boak on piano, Joe Slavens led the singing and ... introduced his guest, Bob Slavens,... in 1958.

It was an ecclesiastical day in 1969: Rev. Ed Nelson brought guest Rev. Royal Peterson, John Cavanagh brought Rev.

John McGrath. The program was “Life of an Immigrant” presented by Otto Bausch.

The president that year was Karl Schafer-Junger who, after being forced to serve in North Africa for Germany, after WWII left for a life in Bettendorf with his family.

President Henry Hartz introduced 19 guests today in 1980, our auction raised \$3,500 for the Bettendorf High School booster club. The golf outing in Newton, Iowa, was a huge success. And **Tom Howard** made up at North Scott! Can anyone explain “Moose Gravy”? [Several members from that era said it was like Jon Ryan Happy \$\$ Ed. Fred]

Dave Falk was at 96% attendance in 1986 – and he was the president two years later! The club’s budget then was \$43,025 for 107 members. That’s \$93,407 today, adjusting for inflation.

On this day in 2008: **Fred Anderson** reported a railroad locomotive trying to rescue tanker cars stranded due to flooding on an Iowa river fell... engine, cars and all... into the river when the bridge collapsed beneath them! Club President **Lisa Brown** concluded her year, **Nicole McWilliams** accepted the club presidency, **Dave Deuth** became president-elect. And last: **S.K. Nanda** presented a Paul Harris Fellowship pin with an additional sapphire to... **Laurie Dobesh!**



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

President **Chelsea** collected \$339 with special amounts from **Amber Castro** – “my last meeting – we’re moving to

Texas”... **Todd Ashby** – repeated his invitation to enjoy a burger with chips while viewing Bettendorf’s Old Fashioned 4th of July Parade from Results Marketing on Grant Street (it’ll qualify for a make-up, **President-elect Sharon Sarver** confirmed ... **Decker Ploehn** – \$20 on behalf of **Harry Coin**, who appeared with his Little Brother, David Dickinson, on a Ch. 4 show about the program, in which the now-college-bound young man said Harry changed his life... **Rich James** – some \$\$ to mark LobsterFest fun + “the 13th anniversary of buying my first Corvette”... **Jim Slavens** – took a 90-year-old man to lunch, and urged others to do something similar... **John DeDoncker** – The National Bank’s name changes June 30 to Triumph Community Bank... **Ken Vandersnick** – “What does **Decker** have against the Catholics on 18th Street?... **George Coin** – marking 130 miles biked so far this year...



The meeting opened...

President **Chelsea Powers** called the last full meeting of her presidency to order and led the 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 singing resumed with "Sing, Everyone, Sing" and "The Happy Wanderer."

The music had hardly died away when **President Chelsea** called **Decker Ploehn** forward for... a moment of awkward silence, followed by the appearance of a mystery crustacean (actually, **Sharon Sarver** in disguise), who thanked him as only a part-time lobster can for his performance as LobsterFest MC and leftover potables auctioneer.

Upcoming meetings...



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

July 2: Chelsea Powers passes the gavel to **Sharon Sarver**
July 9: Military Appreciation (**Frank Mitvalsky** to run the meeting)

July 16: Ed Froelich, race director, 40th Anniversary Bix 7 (**Scott Naumann** to run the meeting)

July 23: Kathy Mellen, University of Iowa, "If You Are What You Eat, Then What Should You Eat?"

July 30: Jodie Kavensky, Norma-Leah Ovarian Cancer Foundation

Aug. 6: Mark Warner, University of Iowa, Student Financial Aid... Funding College

July 13: Dr. Steven Anderson, Aging Brain in the Workplace

July 20: Visit by District Governor John Ockenfels

Aug. 27: Dr. Dennis Marchiori, chancellor of Palmer College of Chiropractic

Missing today...

(Number in parentheses: total meetings missed since July 1, 2013): Adams (43), Arndt (34), Blaske (24), Boeye (32), Bowe

(47), Brown (49), Bush (45), Calabrese (15), Chambers (28), Daugherty (16), Deuth (19), Dickson (34), Dobesh (21), Doresca (7), Ellstrom (50), Erpelding (2), Featherstone (26), Gallagher, Jr. (12), Gause (22), Gudgel (33), Hassel (24), Heninger (22), Hintermeister (28), Hinton (46), Hipple (34), Kappeler (42), Kennedy (47), Larsen (27), Limberg (31), Lokenvitz (27), McGimpsey (10), McWilliams (44), Mannix (31), Martinez (4), Mitvalsky (21), Morrison (4), Naeve (22), Nelson (49), Oswald (33), Rabine (11), Salm (40), Sherrick (30), Spelhaug (6), Tirone (8), Vollbrecht (41), Werner (41), Willsher (25), Windmiller (22), Worley (50)

Secretary Johanna Smith

introduced:

Guests:

Luke Staudt, Edward Jones Financial, guest of **Tim Lane**

Juanita Schillig, guest of Dick Schillig
Ruth Symmons, pianist

Rusty Boruff, The 180 Zone, speaker
Doris Miller, guest of **Gene Miller**

Kim Eastburn, Knilans' Furniture, guest of **Amber Castro**

Bob Strombeck, Missman, Inc., guest of **Pat Eikenberry**

In all, 56 Bettendorf Rotarians and 7 guests attended.



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