



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

**Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club**  
*July 15, 2015, issue*

## *Next meeting:*

Wednesday, July 22, 2015,  
at **Crust Stone Oven Pizza,**  
2561 53<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Bettendorf

## **Learn what's keeping QC area seniors active...**

**Laura Kopp**, president/CEO of the Center for Active Seniors Inc. in Davenport, is the scheduled speaker at our July 22 meeting.



Laura has spent her career in the not-for-profit sector. She has been with CASI for two years. Since she and her husband, Dr. Steve Kopp, moved from Florida to the QC 10 years ago, she has also served as vice president of programs with Goodwill of the

Heartland, director of Children's Trauma Services with the Child Abuse Council and director of Clinical Services for Family Resources, Inc.

Laura was recognized by Blackhawk College in 2007 as one of the Quad Cities Area Leaders under 40. In addition to her work with social services, she has been involved in the Quad Cities United Way Income Council and child advocacy organizations. She serves on the Board of The Project of the Quad Cities. Laura and her husband live in Davenport with their two teenage children.

## *Last meeting:*

Wednesday, July 15, 2015



## **What to do after disaster strikes**

At the July 15 meeting, our own **Brent Werner**, operations manager of Werner Restoration Services, offered sound advice on what to do after a disaster. More importantly, he ran through steps to take before a disaster – to ensure business continuity and prevent catastrophe at home – and steps to take afterward.

**To ensure the continuity of your business**, Brent said, “Keep your plan simple” – but do make one because you need a plan to keep your business going. He outlined the steps:

- Identify the risks – which can come in such diverse forms as a natural disaster, cyber attack, power outage or loss of a key team member
- Analyze how the risks could impact your business

→Devise a strategy – build in redundancies, especially among staff, to keep the business going. Train each person to know the job of the person above them in the group, he advised.  
 →Execute the plan you developed  
 →Measure the effectiveness of your plan by training your people, testing how the plan works and maintain it in top shape.

**To prevent disasters in your home,** Brent advised:



→Keep gutters and downspouts clean and divert rain water away  
 →Check ice-maker and washing-machine water lines – “and use materials that are less likely to break”  
 →Secure your outside water spigot in the fall and check it for leaks in the spring

→To prevent fire, keep your chimney and vents clean

**After a flood** (or flooded basement):

→First, take care of safety hazards – an electrical hazard or toxic substances  
 →Stop the water source – if it’s a broken pipe, shut off the water, for example  
 →Contact your insurance company – it can help in many ways  
 →Block up furniture above the water; in a pinch, tin foil can be a water barrier  
 →If cleaning up yourself, rent professional-strength equipment to extract moisture and dehumidify; mold starts to form within 72 hours, Brent said.

**After a fire:**

→Board up broken windows  
 →Call your insurance company – it can be helpful in gaining re-entry if the home is structurally safe

→Dry out the building and contents, if you can re-enter; “Soot plus moisture equals a mild acid that can add to the fire damage,” Brent advised.

→Stay calm – be nice to the insurance folks, he said, because you need them fully on your side.

Over all, Brent advised, this is a highly emotional time – so realize, as professionals such as restoration specialists or insurance adjusters go through your personal possessions, they’re not snooping; they’re just doing their job. Ask friends and family for emotional support, he added.

During the Q&A after Brent’s presentation, **Ann Kappeler** commented that the American Red Cross can help provide help after a family disaster.



**New member inductions...**

After a brief quiz (“Where is the home club of new Rotary International President Ravi Ravindran?” Answer – worth \$5 additional into today’s *Jon Ryan Happy \$\$* collection: “Colombo, Sri Lanka) **S.K. Nanda** (with **President Kevin**) inducted two new members:  
 →**Curtis Fee**, who since June 1 is the interim head master at Rivermont Collegiate, and his wife first came to the QC as pastors; later, she began



teaching at St. Katherine's / St. Mark's school – before it became Rivermont – and Curtis joined her, first as basketball coach and later on the faculty. The Fees have three children, ages 15, 11 and 9, all students at Rivermont.

➔**Dick Paplinski**, with his wife Linda,



moved to the QC after retiring from a plastics manufacturing company in Fairmont, Minn. – where he was a Rotarian and Paul Harris Fellow. The Paplinskis are parents to two daughters (both Iowa State grads; go Cyclones!), and they are grandparents of 7.

### Announcements...

➔**Gene Miller Rotary milestone:** President Kevin Kraft reminded members to sign the poster we'll give to **Gene** in celebration of his 60 years of service as a Rotary member. The club will give him special recognition with the poster and a plaque at a future meeting.

➔**Bob's running again: Bob Gallagher Sr.** wants to run again for the Scott Community College Board of Directors, and he asked for all who live in his district to sign his nominating petition.

➔**Meeting site:** July meetings will continue at **Crust**, and for August we'll return to the **Tanglewood Pavilion**.

Meanwhile, watch your email for a message from Survey Monkey, where you can vote on a permanent meeting home: Crust, Tanglewood Pavilion or Davenport Country Club.

➔**JDC thanks:** President Kevin thanked **Jeff Hassel** for heading up the job of recruiting and coordinating volunteers to marshal OUR Hole No. 1 during the John Deere Classic. Jeff thanked all who served, especially **Steve Pieart**, who filled in for him, and **Todd Ashby**, who filled in for Steve. He also thanked **Jerry Felsing** for imitating a radio announcer to perfection (you had to be there...).

➔**Recruitment:** After passing out shocking pink signup cards, **Jim Slavens** thanked all who have handed in prospective new-member cards. (To see the effect of his efforts, see above.)



➔**Our Cubs to wash cars:** Our Cub Scout Pack 54 is planning a car wash, to begin at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, July 26, at Great Southern Bank, 18<sup>th</sup> Street and Spruce Hills Drive.

The Cubs hope to get a few Rotarians to help. Rotarians (and family members too, if they like) and stay as long as they can – “an hour or two would be great,” said **Frank Mitvalsky**, our liaison to the Pack. (There might be a make-up for your effort.) To volunteer, or for more

information, contact Frank ([655-8492](tel:655-8492) / [fmitvalsky@califf.com](mailto:fmitvalsky@califf.com)).



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

**President Kevin Kraft** collected \$358 – with special amounts from: **Steve Piart** – “a \$74 check for some reason” + thanks to all the JDC volunteers... **George Daugherty** – a new granddaughter, Emma Rose... **Dick Schillig** – only 54 days to Run with Carl... **John DeDoncker** – a \$51 check and a promise to run with Carl... **Carlos De La Fuente**, visitor – happy to be a visiting Rotarian at BRC... **Dick Paplinski** – happy to be a new BRC member + 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary... **Ami Wells** – birthday: “now I’m counting back: when my daughter, who’s 21, reaches 33 we’ll be the same age”... **Jennifer Garlach** – gone last week, but it was perfect weather for the Boys and Girls Club fundraiser... **Tom Howard** – next week will introduce his pledge son who will be honored on their fraternity’s wall of fame... **Ken Vandernick** – missed the last two weeks and made up one but doesn’t remember where he was...

### **The meeting opened...**

The bell sounded, **President Kevin Kraft** called the meeting to order and led the recitation of The 4-Way Test. **Tom Howard** – accompanied by **Scott Naumann**’s musical laptop – led the singing of the day’s patriotic song, “God Bless America.” Afterward, President Kevin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Moments of Silence.

After introductions, we tried to sing “All Hail to Rotary” but Scott’s laptop didn’t know the tune, so we sang **S.K. Nanda**’s favorite, “Let There Be Peace on Earth.”



**Visiting Rotarian Carlos De La Fuente** chatted with **S.K. Nanda** and others after the meeting

### **Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...**

#### **Visiting Rotarians:**

Carlos De La Fuente, Rotary Club San Nicholas, Guerrero, Mexico  
Mary Jane Midgett, North Scott Rotary

#### **Guests:**

Jaclyn McKenzie, Werner Restoration, speaker  
Gary Mohr, City of Bettendorf, guest of **Bob Gallagher Sr.**  
Phil Kent, guest of **Dick Schillig**  
Jim Kappeler, guest of **Ann Kappeler**  
Bob Jaycox, guest of **Jenny Garlach**  
Rick Borman, Wells Fargo, guest of **Johanna Smith**

In all, 55 Bettendorf Rotarians attended and were joined by 6 guests and 2 visiting Rotarians.



### **And at the end...**

... of the meeting, **Jennifer Garlach** won a Happy to Have a Make-up in the drawing from among all those members who participated in Jon Ryan Happy \$\$.



### Footnote...

Just before Jennifer's name was drawn for the Happy to Have a Make-up, **Ken Vandersnick** finally remembered and called out: "I remember... I was in Las Vegas." (What happens in Vegas apparently *does*

tend to stay in Vegas...)

### Upcoming meetings...



... Thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, [scottn@midlandcom.com](mailto:scottn@midlandcom.com), 445-4260:

**July 22:** Laura Kopp, CEO of CASI

**July 29:** Tom McDermott, executive director, Boy Scouts Illowa Council

**Aug. 5:** Brad

Morrison (in a kilt) and his daughter: all about bagpipes

### Missing today...

Bell, Bibik, Boeye, Bush, Chambers, Deuth, Doland, Downing (2), Elledge, Ellstrom (3), Featherstone, Felton (2), Gallagher, Jr. (2), Habenicht, Hinman (3), Hintermeister (2), Hill (3), Hinton (3), Hipple (3), Hurd (3), Lane, Lizak (2), Lokenvitz, Love-Sherrick (3), Mannix (2), Martinez (2), Mitvalsky (3), Morrison, Nelson (3), Ploehn, Powers (3), Ross (2), Rutherford, Sarver (2), Saul (3), Schmidt (3), Schuler, Schutte (3), Scranton (3), Sherrick (2), Sorenson, Stopulos (2), Webster (3), Willsher (3), Windmiller (3)

### Make-ups...

**Davenport Rotary:** Chuck Geisewite

**John Deere Classic marshaling:** Bell, Bibik, Blaske, Daley, Dickson, Featherstone, Felsing (2), Hassel (3), Hintermeister, Kraft, Loweth, Marbach, Paplinski, Pieart (3)

**Board of Directors meeting:** Bell, Schuler, Smith, Daley, Nanda, Kraft, Lane, Dobesh, Spelhaug

### Make up at another QC club...

Monday, noon: Davenport – The Outing Club  
Monday, noon: Moline –Trinity Lutheran Church, Moline

Monday, 6 p.m.: QC Illinois – Club Rm., HyVee, 7<sup>th</sup> Street & John Deere Road, Moline

Tuesday, 7:15 a.m.: River Cities – Brothers Restaurant, Rapids City

Tuesday, noon: Rock Island – QC Botanical Center

**Wednesday, noon: Bettendorf – Crust Stone Oven Pizza (during July)**

Wednesday, 5 p.m.: Mini Meet – Lunardi's Restaurant, Davenport

Thursday, 7 a.m.: Iowa Quad Cities – J-Bar, Elmore Avenue, Davenport

Thursday, noon: East Moline – Christ United Methodist Church

Thursday, noon: Milan – Pinnacle Country Club  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 5:30 p.m.: Twin Rivers

Rotary After Hours – Bierstube, Moline

Friday, noon: North Scott – Steeplegate Inn, Davenport

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