



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Sept. 23, 2015, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2015,
at **Tanglewood Pavilion**

**Take a look into the
future of Girl Scouting**

The scheduled speaker at the Sept. 30 meeting is **Diane Nelson**, CEO of the Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois, who will give us a look into the future: “Girl Scouts, The Next Generation.”



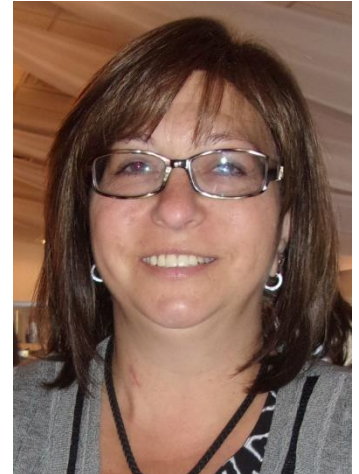
Her organization serves some 18,000 girls and 5,000 adult members in a 38-county, two-state area from its headquarters on Golden Valley Drive in Bettendorf. Its Web site says: “We believe in the power of girls. From her first troop sleepover to joining our all-girls robotics team, even night-hiking in the rolling hills at one of our camp properties – our girls choose their own adventure, and we think that’s pretty cool!”

Girl Scouts are involved in the community, the site says, “serving meals at a soup kitchen, singing holiday carols at a nursing home, even collecting donations for animal shelters – our girls and volunteers change the world through small acts of kindness that make a BIG difference in their communities.”

Last meeting:
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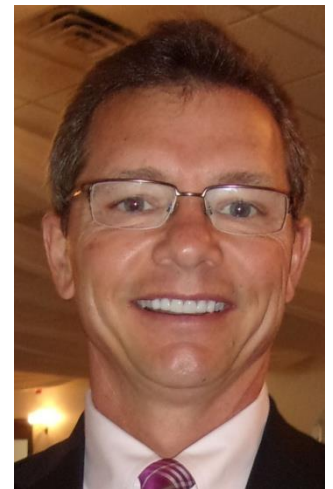
**Walk earns funds
for mental health**

The Quad Cities NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk is scheduled to step off this Saturday morning, Sept. 26, from the East Shelter of the Ben Butterworth Parkway in Moline, and **Joe Slavens** and **Shari Baker** told us about the need for awareness and support during the Sept. 23 meeting.



The walk – the QC chapter’s main fundraising event of the year – starts at 10 a.m., with check-in at 9. Besides the 2-mile walk, **Shari** said, the event includes music, refreshments and such fun as face-painting for kids. To register in advance – you can also register Saturday morning – contact Shari at NAMIWalksGMV@gmail.com or 563.320.2923.)

To underscore the need for awareness, education and support for persons who suffer with mental illness, **Joe** shared how it has affected members of his family. He said he was virtually unaware of it until, nearly 20 years ago, his will “slid deeper and deeper into depression,” apparently for no reason.



Fortunately, he continued, “we have wonderful care and anti-psychotic drugs” in the community. A few days after being admitted to hospital, “she came back,” Joe said.

Unlike other forms of illness, Joe said, “Society hides mental illness issues” – even though about a fourth of the population experiences some form of mental illness – and nearly half of them go without proper treatment.

NAMI of the Greater Mississippi Valley, a nonprofit, grassroots mental health organization, has offices at 1706 Brady St., Suite 101, Davenport, 52803.



New member induction...

→**Rick Borman: S.K. Nanda** (aided and abetted by **President Kevin Kraft**) inducted **Rick Borman**, a lifelong Quad Citian who handles residential financing at Wells Fargo Bank. He and his wife Ann are parents of two – a student at Iowa State [Go, Cyclones!] and a junior at Assumption High School.

Announcements...

→**Dictionaries to 4th graders: Jim Spelhaug** passed around signup sheets for volunteers to deliver dictionaries to all of the 4th graders in Bettendorf schools. After the meeting, these opportunities remain:

→Pleasant Valley Schools:

Bridgeview Elementary, 2100

Territorial Road, LeClaire:

Monday, Oct. 5

8:45 a.m.: Carol Hamann’s class

9 a.m.: Joe Nichols

Hopewell Elementary, 3900 Hopewell

Ave., Bettendorf:

Monday, Oct. 5

9 a.m.: Carrie Linnenbrink

9:15 a.m.: Jamie Bice

Pleasant View Elementary, 6333 Crow
Creek Road, Bettendorf

Tuesday, Oct 6

9:30 a.m.: Mary Beth Kunau

9:45 a.m.: Drew Croegaert

10 a.m.: Monica Belby

10:15 a.m.: Meghan Ruth

→Bettendorf Schools

Neil Armstrong, 3311 Central,
Bettendorf

Tuesday, Oct. 6

1:15 p.m.: Debbie Slagel

Grant Wood, 1423 Hillside Drive,
Bettendorf

Thursday, Oct. 8

1:15 p.m.: Beth Waller

Mark Twain, 1620 Lincoln Road,
Bettendorf

Tuesday, Oct. 6

8:45 a.m.: Sarah Benfield

9 a.m.: Emily Faust

Hoover Elementary, 3223 South
Hampton, Bettendorf

Friday, Oct. 9

11:15 a.m.: Emily Cullison

11:30 a.m.: Camille McDonnell

Morning Star Elementary, 1426

Tanglefoot Lane, Bettendorf

Tuesday, Oct. 13

9 a.m.: Diane Stensrud

To deliver dictionaries to a 4th grade classroom please contact Jim: spelhaugjim@pleasval.k12.ia.us to sign up.

➔ **One Rotary Summit:** For a concentrated session on Rotary leadership, **President Kevin** announced that four BRC members are going to the One Rotary Summit on Wednesday, Oct. 4, in West Liberty. There's room for more who would like to pursue a leadership position in Bettendorf Rotary – or at a higher level – and become acquainted with other Rotarians from throughout District 6000. To sign up or for more info, contact President Kevin (kkbluenote1@gmail.com / 563.505-9688).



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

President Kevin Kraft collected \$164 with these happy members chipping in \$\$: **Joe Pacha** – birthday... **Tim Lane** – welcome to the club, **Rick Borman**... **Laurie Hutcheson** – son is about to get his driver's license... **Dick Paplinski** – 77 years young... **Chuck Geisewite** – enjoyed the 60th reunion of his Davenport High School Class of 1955... **Fred Anderson** – got a granddaughter fix all last week – and going back for more next month + special thanks to **Harry Coin** for his excellent coverage of last week's meeting.

In other BRC news...

➔ **Planning for LobsterFest 2016:** The core committee planning LobsterFest 2016 started meeting in the half hour before this week's regular meeting, under the leadership of **Kristine Stone, Ann Kappeler, Jonna Schuler** and **Johanna Smith**. There's plenty of opportunity for



more members to volunteer – just contact any of these members.

The meeting opened...

President Kevin Kraft struck the bell twice, led the recitation of The 4-Way Test and the Pledge of Allegiance. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by **Scott Naumann**'s laptop, led the patriotic song, "This Is My Country." President Kevin led the the Moment of Silence, during which we learned that **Dave Falk**'s niece's husband suffered a serious injury and **Harry Coin**'s aunt broke her leg because she was wearing flip-flops. "About 15 injuries per day occur because people are wearing flip-flops," Harry said.

After Introductions, Tom and the laptop returned for more songs: "Sing Out a Song of Rot'ry" and "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling."

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...

Guests:

Susan Kraft, guest of **Kevin Kraft**
 Shari Baker, NAMI, speaker
 Arlyce Musal, NAMI
 Joe Slavens, NAMI, speaker
 Terry Bloomfield, TMI, guest of **Jim Slavens**

In total, 51 Bettendorf Rotarians attended, joined by 5 guests.



And at the end...

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

Missing today...

Blaske, Boeye, Bush, Calabrese, Carroll, Chambers, Daugherty, DeDoncker, Dickson, Dobesh, Duda, Dugan, Elledge, Featherstone, Fee, Franks, Gallagher, Sr., Gallagher, Jr., Garlach, Hassel, Hinman, Hintermeister, Hinton, Hurd, James, Larsen, Loweth, Marbach, Martinez, Miller, L., Mitvalsky, Mohr, Morrison, Naeve, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Rutherford, Saul, Schmidt, Schmit, Schneden, Scranton, Sherrick, Sorenson, Thein, Webster, Werner, Willsher, Windmiller

Make-ups...

Will Doland and Christy Gause – **Rotary Young Professionals planning meeting**
Ryan Bell – **North Scott Rotary**
Foster, Kappeler, Kraft, Lane, Love-Sherrick, Pacha, Schuler, Smith and Stone – **LobsterFest meeting**

Upcoming meetings...



... Thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, scottn@midlandcom.com, 445-4260:
Sept. 30: Diane Nelson, “Girl Scouts, The Next Generation”
Oct. 7: Lisa McCormick Eveleth, “Live Fit with Lupus”
Oct. 14: Mike

Whalen, Heart of America Restaurants and Inns

Oct. 28: First Tee, our own **Decker Ploehn** plus a First Tee representative

BRC News staff...

Editor, reporter, photographer: Fred Anderson

Correspondent, Web-site host: Johanna Smith

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