



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

**Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club**  
**Feb. 17, 2016, issue**

## ***Next 2 meetings:***

**Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2016, at**  
**Waterfront Convention Center**

## **Mayor's State of the City**

For the **Feb. 24 meeting** Bettendorf Rotary moves to the **Waterfront**



**Convention Center** to hear **Mayor Bob Gallagher's** 2016 State of the City Address. Doors open at 11 a.m. Opening/welcome remarks and lunch service begin at 11:30. The address will begin

about 12:15. **President-elect Jonna Schuler** will serve as master of ceremonies for the event, which will include members from all Bettendorf service clubs in the audience.

**Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at**  
**Tanglewood Pavilion**

## **The Creative Collective**

A prevalent workplace model of the early 21<sup>st</sup> century – working alone in a home

office – has given rise to the co-workspace trend. The co-owners of a QC co-workspace, The Creative Collective, which opened last November, will speak at the March 2 meeting. We return to Tanglewood Pavilion.



After running a successful independent sales business for a software company out of a home office, **Amy Sivertsen** craved coworkers and people to work near. She hopes to grow

The Creative Collective into “a high-energy collaborative atmosphere” where entrepreneurs, contractors, start-ups and those branching out on their own, “can work alongside each other, building their own businesses as well as sharpening each other to reach their full potential.” Besides owning The Creative Collective, Amy consults with non-profits on fundraising and other business practices.

**Leslie Klipsch** is the director of communications for Empower Tanzania, a non-government organization working in rural Tanzania. She has worked as a freelance writer and editor in her home office for 10 years and began dreaming of a Quad Cities co-working space last summer. She is using the space to finish editing her first book, scheduled for publication this fall.



***Last meeting:***  
Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016



## **Humility of Mary helps homeless**

With an estimated homeless population of 400 in the Quad Cities – single adults, lone teens, single-parent families and traditional families – Humility of Mary operates two programs to address the need, said **Sandi Burrichter**, its development director, at our Feb. 17 meeting. She described the programs:



**Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc.**  
*...because our community cares*

→**Humility of Mary Shelter**, 1016 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Davenport (563-322-8065), came into being in 2008 with the closing of the John Lewis shelter, which left 84 people on the street, she said. Humility of Mary

– one of four QC agencies providing homeless shelters – operates separate overnight quarters for men and women. (Only the Salvation Army provides shelters that keep whole two-parent families together, Sandi said.) Humility of Mary operates the only day shelter, she said – the rest are open only overnight.

Because an estimated 21% of QC homeless are veterans, Humility of Mary conducts the VALOR Program (Veterans Accessing Long Term Opportunities & Resources) to help low-income veterans “who do not have homes or who are in immediate risk of losing their homes.”

<http://humilityofmaryshelter.com/>



→**Humility of Mary Housing**, 3805 Mississippi Ave, Davenport (563-326-1330), provides low-income housing for single parents and their children with 13 properties comprising 47 apartments. Besides providing living space, HMH offers programs to help the parents develop skills to lead a self-sufficient life. Programs include education or vocational training, in conjunction with Scott Community College and St. Ambrose University; help with job searches, resume development and more, Sandi said.

Humility of Mary received a BRC Charitable Giving Grant this year. Another way to contribute, Sandi said, is through donations of clothing, bedding, household goods, children’s toys and other items – especially at Housing.  
<http://humilityofmaryhousing.com/>



### Presentation...

➔ **Rotarian of the Quarter: Ryan Bell** presented the Rotarian of the Quarter award to **Tim Lane** for his work spearheading the recruitment of other Rotary clubs – from the QC to Chicago to the Caribbean – to raise the \$86,000 needed to carry on Bettendorf Rotary’s project to capture potable rain water to supply a remote village in Haiti.

Ryan noted that Tim had also led the organization of the holiday bowling party to give members and spouses an opportunity to socialize over the holidays.

### Announcements...

➔ **BRC Endowment Fund Initiative:** Just one week after launching the initiative to grow the BRC Endowment Fund by \$10,000 per year for the next five years, **Immediate Past President Sharon Sarver** announced that pledges and contributions totaled \$4,150 last week.

With 50% matches from the Challenge Pool, that meant members “raised \$6,275 in just one meeting,” Sharon said with a big smile. She promised short reminders

at future meetings. The deadline for making a pledge for this year is June 30.

Proceeds from the fund, which is managed by the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend, can add grant-making opportunities and provide a cushion if the LobsterFest should falter as BRC’s top source of charitable funds.

When writing a check, make it payable to “Community Foundation of the Great River Bend” (or, simply, “Community Foundation” or “CFGRB”) and note in the memo that it’s for the Bettendorf Rotary Endowment Fund.



➔ **Happy Birthday, Rotary: President Kevin Kraft** noted that next Tuesday, Feb. 23, Rotary International will be 111 years old. It has grown from a first meeting of four business friends called together by Paul Harris to an international service organization of more than 1 million members with clubs in nearly every nation on Earth.

➔ **‘Ponsetti ball drop’ at District 6000 Conference: President Kevin** said BRC had sent \$295 to the “Ponsetti ball drop” to be held during the District 6000 Conference in March. The ball drop will raise funds for the Ponsetti process to repair children’s club feet – which is headquartered at the University of Iowa, and is named for the U of I medical faculty member who developed it. That amount purchased 59 ping pong balls.

➔ **eBay live auction: President Kevin** noted that eBay will donate a portion of sales from each month’s live auctions to Rotary International.



➔**All-QC Rotary meeting:** The “Service for Success” meeting involving members of all QC Rotary clubs will be **5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at the Rogalsky Center, St. Ambrose University.** Davenport Mayor Frank Klipsch will give the keynote speech at this event, which aims to inform the community – and prospective members of any QC Rotary club – about Rotary International and its worldwide service work. Kevin urged BRC members to invite as many prospects as they wish – they attend free. Cost for Rotarians is \$10 each, payable on arrival at the meeting. To register, contact **Secretary Johanna Smith** ([bettendorfrotary@gmail.com](mailto:bettendorfrotary@gmail.com)).



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

This week in 1958 Club President Bob Owen attended the Davenport Rotary Club’s Valentine’s party – and the Rock Island club’s Ladies Night party. He had a really, really good time.



At both parties. Yessir. Really. He allowed he wanted here what they were having. Soooo...

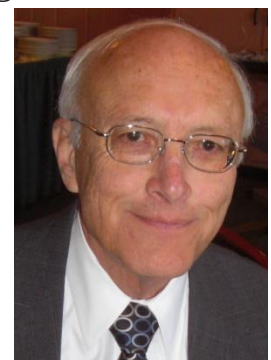
The Valentine’s party was still going strong in

1990, when 92 people attended. **S.K. Nanda**, the McCullys and the Daneilsens announced they were

hosting an exchange team from India. Kay Worster of Big Brothers Big Sisters of the QC was the feature. Jon Ryan (whom we remember today during our Happy Bucks) made up a meeting at the Davenport club.

The thought for our Valentine’s party in 1995, attended by 46 Rotarians, was: “A True Friend is like a rainbow after the storm”. Speaking was *QC Times* columnist Bill Wundram, whose stories of bloopers published by mistake impressed even Chuck Mooney, the man who over these many years wrote more than 4,000 pages of club meeting minutes... on paper with crinkled edges... that would only scan one at a time. Which is when I learned to be more careful what I volunteer for.

This week in 2000 President-to-be Carolyn Leutwyler introduced cultural scene commenter Don Wooten, who lectured about love and romance, starting with the Dark Ages.... **Tim Downing** brought



his spouse Kay, Gene Miller brought wife Doris. **Decker Ploehn** promoted the Service Club Olympics, Dinner and Sponsorship (\$10 each), a project

he promoted today in 1995 as well. Doyle McCully collected \$120, and Chuck Mooney wanted offers on his house as he and his wife were moving to Ridgecrest Retirement Community.

It was Rotary's 100th year this week in 2005. Our District 6000's Tsunami Relief Fund totaled \$56,000. We contributed \$3,000

to be the title sponsor of the Run with Carl, which we support even now.



Last week in 2010, Lee Semenow added \$64 to **Rich James'** \$100 to honor the 100 years of Boy Scouting. **Tim Downing** escaped

the Iowa ice to visit an 8-member Rotary club in the rainforest of Kuranda, Australia. **Steve Piart** kicked in \$46 for each of his married years. Will he round up to \$51 today?

And that WAS the news!



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

**President Kevin Kraft** collected \$393 with some special amounts especially from **Steve Piart** – 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary... **Steve Sorensen** – \$50 for his first granddaughter... **Tom Kellenberger** – 40<sup>th</sup> birthday... **Craig Windmiller** – \$69 for anniversary + more... **Laurie Hutchison** – birthday + going to Cancun... **John Rabine** – offering 2 tickets to “tonight’s performance of ‘Ragtime’ to the first one who offers \$\$ for Rotary... **Jennifer Garlach** – successful cardboard sled race + an

invitation to Boys and Girls Club fundraising wine-tasting 5-8 p.m. Friday at its 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Moline site... **Frank Mitvalsky** – son Noah qualified for 50-freestyle race at state + solved Rubik’s Cube meets in 22 and 3.7 seconds!...

**Ryan Bell** – leaving the club to move to Iowa City-Cedar Rapids market for business – saying, “I’m a forever Rotarian, thanks to this club”... **Tim Lane** – spent Presidents Day with wife in Wisconsin + thanks for the honor of Rotarian of the Quarter.

### The meeting opened...



**President Kevin Kraft** welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order and led the recitation of The 4-Way Test. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Deana Severs**, led the singing of “This Is My Country.”

President Kevin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence. After introductions, Tom and Deana led “All Hail to Rotary” and “Edelweiss.”

### Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...

#### Guests:

Sandi Burrichter, Humility of Mary (speaker)  
Deanna Severs, pianist  
Bob Kliene, retired (**Tom Howard** guest)  
Ryan White, Select Benefit Solutions (**Tom Kellenberger** guest)  
Amy Karnavas, Mel Foster (**Brad Morrison** guest)

54 Bettendorf Rotarians and 4 guests attended.



## And at the end...

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

## Missing today...

Bennett, Bibik, Blaske, Boeye, Bush, Carroll, Chambers, Coin, G., DeDoncker, Dobesh, Downing, Duda, Eikenberry, Elledge, Falk, Featherstone, Fee, Felsing, Felton, Foster, Gallagher, Sr., Gause, Habenicht, Hager, Hanzelka, Hassel, Hill, Hinton, Hurd, James, Larsen, Loweth, McGimpsey, Martinez, Nelson, Paplinski, Ross, Rutherford, Saul, Schmit, Schneden, Schutte, Schwab, Scranton, Slavens, Stopulos, Webster, Wells, Werner, Willsher, Worner

## Make-ups

Rich James, Summit County, Colo., Rotary Club

Dick Schillig, Osage Rotary, Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.

**LobsterFest Meeting:** Kris Stone, Ann Kappeler, Jonna Schuler, Secretary Johanna Smith and Kelly Love-Sherrick

## 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 Room, 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 – Tanglewood Pavilion**

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

## Upcoming meetings...



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

**Feb. 24 – at**

**Waterfront**

**Convention Center:**

**Mayor Bob**

**Gallagher’s 2016**

State of the City

Address. Doors open

at 11a.m. Opening/welcome remarks and lunch at 11:30. State of the City presentation at 12:15.

**March 2:** Amy Sivertsen and Leslie Klipsch: The Creative Collective. **Immediate Past-President Sharon Sarver** will conduct the meeting.

**March 9:** **John DeDoncker** presents his annual financial analysis

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