



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Feb. 16, 2011, issue

Next meeting:
Noon Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2011, at
The Fortune Garden Restaurant

**Where is economy
headed in 2011?**

Rescheduled from Feb. 16

The U.S. economy seems to be emerging from the worst recession in its history, but many indicators are still far from



optimum. Many large corporations are reporting record earnings; “big business” is sitting on a reported \$2 trillion in reserves; unemployment recently dropped to 9%, yet millions have been without

work for more than a year. Home foreclosures continue at a frightening pace. In the midst of all this economic turmoil, our own **John DeDoncker**, president of THE National Bank, will provide his insights and present an economic forecast for the year ahead.

Last meeting:
Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2010

**Here's what's up at
Scott County parks**

Roger Kean, executive director of the



Scott County Conservation Board, gave us a comprehensive update on the county's park system at the Feb. 16 meeting.

The Scott board was formed in 1956, one of

the first 16 in Iowa after 1955 legislation created the system of county conservation boards. It oversees the creation and operation of an impressive collection of facilities:

Buffalo Bill Cody Homestead... Buffalo Shores beach, water access and campground... Glynn's Creek Golf Course... Scott County Park: 1,280 acres containing the only Olympic-sized pool in a county park, 600 campsites, Walnut Grove Pioneer Village, St. Anne's Church (site of numerous weddings), the Wapsi River Environmental Education Center and more... West Lake Park: 640 acres with 4 lakes and 2 campgrounds.

Recent improvements include a modern Beach/Boat House, campground for 55 RVs and Pine Grove Luxury Cabins (that sleep 6 and rent for \$125 a night). In a park wetland area, trumpeter swans gave birth to 7 cygnets last year, the first such wild birth in Iowa in some 140 years.



The meeting opened...

President-elect Scott Naumann, after brandishing a Hawkeye clipboard and flag he said he had “liberated” from **President Jeff**’s home – “since he wasn’t using them at the time” – led members and guests in the recitation of “The 4-Way Test” and the singing of the day’s patriotic song, “God Bless America.”

After Moments of Reflection – during which we heard an update on **Faye Clow**: she tires easily, so please call before visiting (563-421-5100) – the singing resumed under the direction of **Rev. Gene Miller** with **Bernie Vogel** at the piano: “Springtime in Scott County” and “Goodnight Irene.”

Secretary Chuck introduced:

Guests:

- Emiley Lane with Tim Lane
- Katie Shirk with Susan Praul
- Heather Hagemann with Jen DeBuhr
- Chris Glass with Scott Naumann
- Malcomb Seline with Connie Mangler

Announcements...

➔ **BRC Social Hour.** The second-ever BRC Social Hour will convene at **5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21 – that’s next Monday already – in the Hotel**

Blackhawk bar. Membership committee chair **Connie Mangler** said, “the Blackhawk has arranged for us to mingle at the bar and the dining room nextdoor to graze on complimentary appetizers. **A tour will be given at 6:30** to see the hotel renovations.”

➔ **Faye honored. Steve Nielsen**

announced that the City Council had passed a resolution to honor our own **Faye Clow** in a special way: The Bettendorf



Learning Campus Greenspace will be known as Faye’s Field. Faye led the Bettendorf Public Library for 30 years.

News...

Lora Adams put the news report together and handed it off to **Fred Anderson**, who reported...



Hickory, a Scottish deerhound that loves to chase deer and rabbits, won best in show at the Westminster Kennel

Club.... New home construction rose 14.6% in January.... While much scrutiny and study has been devoted to bullying in grade school and high school, gray-haired bullies exist, according to experts, and their behavior can run the gamut from verbal intimidation to physical violence....

Sergeant at Arms...

President-elect Scott collected \$208 for our foundations + \$47 from Steve Pieart for his anniversary. Other happy folks who tossed in **Ryan \$\$** included:

Audie Foster – endured time in **Dr. Tom Olson**'s dentistry chair, listening to Tom sing *against* his Muzak... **Becky Hinton** – happy to be back from Costa Rica (snow there, too??)... **Jen DeBuhr** – her Mom's birthday + invitation to Senior Star (which also involves chocolate) next



Wednesday... **Doyle McCully** – a story about a “little old guy” at “a soda fountain downtown” (we should have tumbled...) who got all tangled up with the waitress, nuts and arthritis (ask Doyle)... **Rich James** – 44 years engaged on St. Valentine's Day... **Gary Hintermeister** – about to become 1st time grandparents... **Connie Mangler** – “see you all at the Blackhawk bar”... **Jonna Schuler** – \$1 each for the PVHS cheerleaders at a national competition in Orlando... **Anonymous** – congrats to



Mark Ross for attending “one meeting in a row”... **Dave Deuth** – glad to be at the

meeting – to see **Scott** preside...



Missing today:

L. Adams, K. Adams, Ahlstrand, Bowe, Brown-3, Cameron, Coley-2, DeDoncker-2, Dobesh-5, Ellstrom-6, Felsing, Freemire, Freese-2, Gallagher, Habenicht, Hartsock-3, Hassel, Heinrich-5, Kennedy, Kraft, Lanum-6, Larsen, LeBeau, Legare, McGimpsey, McWilliams-3, L. Miller-5, Olson, Pelecky-6, Ploehn, Scranton, St.Laurent-6, Schutte-2, Volbrecht

Make-ups:

Duncan Cameron @ Naples & Naples Bay, Fla.

Tim Downing @ Galveston, Texas

At today's committee meeting: Tim Lane, Andrew Gudgel, Dawn Saul, Tony Calabrese, Phil Kinsley, Dick Schillig, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Jen DeBuhr, Rich James, David Falk, Kurt Lokenvitz

Upcoming meetings...

Feb. 23: John DeDoncker: Economic Forecast

March 2: Garrett Burchett, Mississippi River Distilling Co., Le Claire

News Staff...

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...

Correspondent: Chuck Mooney...

Photographer: Harry Coin...

Webmeister: Ralph Heninger...

Website host: Harry Coin



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, Rapid 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.: IA 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

Bettendorf Rotary resources

Hot links where you can find answers to many questions about Rotary.

The history of Bettendorf Rotary, and more:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/local.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary in the community:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/community.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary's current officers:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/current.htm>

Bettendorf Rotary's committees and their chairs:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/committ.htm>

Links to Rotary International, Rotary Foundation, Polio Plus... and more:
<http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/links.htm>

Link to District 6000's Website:
www.rotary6000.org

