



# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club  
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## *Next meeting:*

Noon Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010,  
at The Fortune Garden Restaurant

## **QCT's Doxsie shares his bowl predictions**



With just 2½ shopping days left before Christmas, *Quad-City Times* Sports Editor **Don Doxsie** will move our attention ahead to bowl season with his prognostications about the fortunes of Iowa against Mizzou

at the Insight Bowl and the other post-season matches.

Doxsie has been part of the *Times* sports staff since 1984, twice serving as sports editor. In between, he was a daily sports columnist and University of Iowa sports beat writer. During his years at the *Times*, he has covered the World Series, the Super Bowl, the Final Four, the winter and summer Olympics and 14 college football bowl games.

He has won numerous state and national awards. He is the author of *Iron Man McGinnity*, a biography of a Hall of Fame baseball pitcher.

## *Last meeting:*

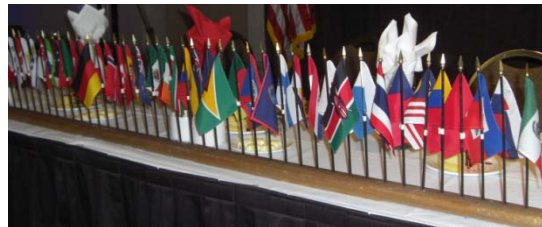
Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010



## **It was a Juletide serenade...**

All of the senior class members of the Pleasant Valley High School Chamber Choir serenaded us with a medley of Christmas songs at the Dec. 15 meeting. Under the leadership of Choral Music Director **Meg Byrne**, they opened with several songs with European origins, including “Carol of the Bells” (Ukraine), “Still, Still, Still” (Austria) and “I Saw Three Ships” (England).

After introducing themselves, the choir continued – asking members to join in, if they wished – with such familiar carols as “Hark the Herald Angels Sing” and “Deck the Halls,” concluding with “We Wish You a Merry Christmas.”



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

After calling the meeting to order, **President Jeff Hassel** led the recitation

of the 4-Way Test and singing of the day's patriotic song, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (definitely pitched for sopranos and tenors). During Moments of Reflection we learned that **Doyle McCully's** wife, Gladys, has been admitted to the Americana nursing home. Since we couldn't begin to compete with the PV singers – even though we *are* a singing Rotary – we didn't.

### **Secretary Chuck introduced... Visiting Rotarians...**

Leanne Shaw, Moline: Banking  
PDG Bill Tubbs, North Scott: Publishing

### **... and guests...**

Catherine Duda, guest of Kevin Kraft

### **Announcements...**



→ **Holiday party.** **Lisa Brown** announced the details of this year's holiday party: It will begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, at the Crow Valley Country Club. Dinner service begins at 6:30 – entrée choices are prime rib, chicken Oscar or roast salmon. Tickets are \$35 per person. Please **mail your RSVP to Lisa Brown no later than Jan. 3**; include guest names, meal selection and check (payable to Bettendorf Rotary Club).

→ **Marketing.** The Board decided to form a Marketing Committee with **Chelsea Powers** as its chair "to tell the world what we do," **President Jeff** said. She circulated a sign-up sheet. First meeting will be after the holidays.

→ **Social hour.** To foster camaraderie among BRC members, the Board decreed a BRC Social Hour for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month – kicking off at 5:15 p.m. Jan. 17 at Symposium Café. It will meet at a different spot each month.

### **→ Scholarships.**

With the PV Choir's performance fresh in everyone's memory, **Jim Spelhaug** emphasized the importance of contributing to the club's scholarship fund – which now grants six \$1,000 scholarships per year.



→ **Charities Board.** With some 40 applications to weight, the Charities Board is meeting to make its final decisions on which proposals will receive grants this year.

### **→ Waitress \$\$.**

**Decker Ploehn** passed among the membership, on the first of two "shakedowns" (his word; not mine) to give our waitress a nice Christmas gift.



## The news...



**Lora Adams** reported the news: The Hotel Blackhawk reopens in downtown Davenport... Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg is *Time* magazine's "Person of the

Year"... postman in Wisconsin was arrested for wearing "an unauthorized uniform" – nothing at all... an English fireman admits causing the death of a farmer when his siren startled his cattle into stampeding... a New York nun embezzled \$850,000 from a college to feed her gambling habit....

## Sergeant at Arms...

**President Jeff** collected \$188 for our foundations. These happy folks shelled out the **Ryan \$\$**:

**Steve Pieart** – daughter-in-law sang in an earlier PV choir – and his former company supplied mirrors for The Blackhawk... **John Archer** – son's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday... **Lora Adams** – directing a new WQPT public-affairs show, "The Cities," and the Christmastime play "The Gift of the Magi" through Dec. 19 at the New Ground Theatre; for information: 326-7529... **Tim Downing** – ISU beat Iowa in basketball... **Bob Ryken** – also ISU beat Iowa in basketball... **Tim Lane** – issued invitation to his office's Christmas party... **George Daugherty** – said he's really glad that both his colonoscopy and Christmas shopping "are behind me"... **Decker Ploehn** – happy birthday to his daughter – who got

2 inches of snow – in Nashville... **Doyle McCully** – plugged membership in Nahant Marsh – and sold four of them on the spot.

## Missing today:

Ahlstrand-2, Blaske-2, Bowe-2, Brummel-16, Calabrese-3, Chambers, G. Coin, DeDoncker-2, Dobesh, Douglas-6, Eikenberry-2, Ellstrom-24, Felsing-3, Freese-2 Gallagher, Hartsock, Heninger, Hintermeister, Hinton-5, Jochmann-4, Jones-20, Kennedy, Kraft, Kass, Lanum-11, Larsen, Legare, Lofgren-6, Lokenvitz, McGimpsey, McWilliams-2, L. Miller, Pelecky-5, Praul-2, Richards-14, Ricketts-McCool-2, Ross, Sarve -2, Saul, Schillig-4, Sherrick-3, St. Laurent, Schutte, Sorenson, Vogel, Volbrecht, Worley-8

## Make-ups:

@ Inter-City Rotary Meeting, Dec. 3: Duncan Cameron, Ken Vandernick, Carter LeBeau, Doyle McCully, David Falk, Tom Howard, John Archer, George Coin, Frank Mitvalsky

@ Committee meetings today: Carl Loweth, Tom Coley, Jim Spelhaug, Audie Foster, Mike Freemire, Duncan Cameron, Steve Habenicht, Tim Lane, Bob Gabrilson, Jen DeBuhr, Rich James, Lora Adams, David Deuth, Decker Ploehn, Jeff Hassel, Scott Naumann, Chuck Mooney

## New member proposal...

**Catherine Duda** (Kathy).  
Classification: Business Development  
Proposed by Kevin Kraft  
Business: BLDD Architects  
Members have 10 days in which to file a signed objection to the proposed member with the club secretary.

## In other news...



→ All-QC Rotary meeting. Frank Mitvalsky thanked all BRC members



(see Make-ups) who attend the All-Quad-Cities

Rotary meeting on Monday at the wireless Center. A crowd estimated at more than 200 Rotarians gathered to hear **Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar**, of Sweden, chair of the Rotary Foundation and 2005-6 president of Rotary International. He spoke of the Rotary Foundation's successes, especially Polio Plus. Emcee **Steven Bahls** (of the Rock Island club), president of Augustana College, gave special recognition to past and current district governors (including District



6000 Governor **Gary Welch**), past rotary presidents and Paul Harris Fellows in the audience. Carl-Wilhelm gave blue-and-yellow striped ties (the colors of both Rotary International and

Sweden) to dignitaries – but he ran short, so he took off his own tie for the final gift... to Bahls.

## Upcoming meetings...

**Dec. 22:** Don Doxsie, *Quad-City Times* sports editor – bowl predictions

**Dec. 29:** Vocational Services Talks – Sharon Sarver

## News Staff...

Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...

Correspondent: Chuck Mooney...

Photographer, reporter: Carter LeBeau...

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

