



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Jan. 17, 2011, issue

Next meeting:

➔ Noon Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2012,
at The Fortune Garden Restaurant

Blood center serves 80 Midwest hospitals

The Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center (MVRBC) in Davenport is the exclusive provider of blood products and services to 80 hospitals in Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Wisconsin. It handles more than 250,000 units of blood components each year.

We'll learn more about this quiet leader in the blood products industry from the guest speaker at the Jan. 25 meeting, **Kirby Winn**, the MVRBC director of public relations.

Last meeting:

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012

Branstad, Reynolds outline tax, school proposals at BRC

Iowa Gov. **Terry Branstad** and Lt. Gov. **Kim Reynolds** unveiled details of their administration's plans to revamp the

state's tax structure and its education system in a joint address before the



Gov. Branstad lunched with President Scott...

Bettendorf Rotary Club at its meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 17.

In his remarks concerning revisions to Iowa's tax structure, the governor detailed a 4-point plan. It would include a gradual reduction in commercial property taxes over several years; a \$25 million yearly investment in the effort to attract high-quality jobs to Iowa; development of "supply-chain clusters" of smaller companies that support major employers, such as John Deere, and incentives to keep Iowa companies in Iowa.

Reynolds described several aspects of the educational reform package that would



... at the head table, along with Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds, Mayor Bob Gallagher Jr., Decker Ploehn and former state Sen. Maggie Tinsman



Doug Miller, former official of the Iowa Film office, sat with Scott Tunnicliff, above – just one of the politically connected sightings during Gov. Branstad’s visit to BRC. Another was our own John Archer (candidate for the GOP nomination for 2nd Dist. Congressman) and his wife Andrea, below.



enable Iowa’s educational system to regain its position of national leadership so “the quality of

our schools (will) match” that of leading schools world-wide. The reforms, based on a year-long process involving educators state-wide, would raise standards for students who want to become teachers, change the way they are evaluated and paid, and base teacher layoffs, when necessary, on criteria other than seniority, she said.

Branstad and Reynolds, responding to questions from BRC members, also said, among other points:

- ➔ The Iowa Film Office will be reestablished.
- ➔ Iowa students will be able to leverage the use of online resources and other technologies to help them learn at their own pace.
- ➔ The financing of state government is moving toward a 10-year plan to stabilize

the funding and build, from one administration to the next, on that stability.

For more detail on news from the governor’s visit to the Quad Cities, see: http://qctimes.com/news/local/branstad-brings-property-tax-plan-to-q-c/article_1849cebe-4160-11e1-b304-001871e3ce6c.html

The meeting opened...

... with President Scott Naumann leading the recitation of “The 4-Way Test,” followed by the singing of “The National Anthem.” After introductions and Moments of Reflection, during which we remembered civic leader Tom Getz, song leader **Tom Howard** conducted two selections, “Sing Out a Song of Rotary” and “Let There Be Peace on Earth” (ably accompanied by pianist **Sheri Fleming**), yielding the remaining portion of his time to the speeches by the governor and lieutenant governor.

Secretary Chuck introduced: Visiting Rotarians:

- Maggie Tinsman, Davenport: Past State Senator
- Cody Allen, North Scott: Trust Officer
- Jerry Kaiser, North Scott: Juvenile Program
- Adam Kerns, North Scott: Insurance
- Steve Taet, East Moline: Banking
- Terry Westbrook, East Moline: Banking
- Charlie Jones, North Scott: Municipal Water
- Gary Sissel, Moline: Attorney

Guests:

- Tom Howard** had three guests
- Theron Schutte** had one guest
- With **Brian Kennedy**: Jane Murphy, Melissa Gesing, Carol Crain, John Ortega, Judy Davidson
- Andrea Archer with **John Archer**
- Jim Kappeler with **Ann Kappeler**

Alexis Vanderhorn and Jim Victor with **John Rabine**
 Doug Miller with **Scott Tunncliff**
 Mayor Bob Gallagher with **Bob Gallagher Sr.**



Announcements...



→ **Holiday Party.**
President Scott thanked **Lisa Brown** for her excellent job of organizing the BRC Holiday Celebration,

Saturday, Jan. 14 – with dining, dancing, maybe a little drinking and other fun....



Sergeant at arms...

President Scott asked BRC members to pass back \$2 apiece – and actual reasons for **Ryan Happy \$\$** would have to wait another week. We collected \$112 for our foundations + a check for \$58 from **George Daugherty** for our Scholarship fund.

Missing today

L. Adams, Ashby, Blaske, Boeye-3, Boosalis, Bowe, Brown, Cahalan-3, Chambers-3, Daley, DeBuhr, Deuth, Dobesh-3, Edwards-2, Eikenberry, Ellstrom-3, Felsing, Gabrilson, Gudgel-3, Harrison, Hassel, Hintermeister, Hinton-3, Kennedy, Lokenvitz, Loweth-3, McWilliams-3, L. Miller-2, Mitvalsky, Murray, Nelson-3, Pelecky-3, Powers, Praul-3, Ricketts-McCool, Scranton, Sherrick-3, Sorensen, Werner, Willsher-3, Worley-3



Brian and Kathy Rolf enjoyed the party...

Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Brian Kennedy**. Have program ideas? Contact Brian: 340-5114, bmfkennedy@att.net
Jan. 25: Kirby Winn, director of public relations, Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center.

Feb. 1: Justice Tom Waterman, Iowa Supreme Court

Feb. 8: Donald S. Doucette, chancellor, Eastern Iowa Community College

Feb. 15: Thomas Schwartz, director Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum and Library, West Branch



... And so did Steve and Marilyn Piart...

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.: Iowa 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.bettendorfrotrary.com/local.htm>

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

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

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

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

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



... As did Harry and Susan Coln.

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