



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

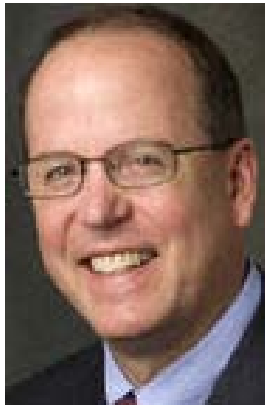
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Dec. 1, 2010, issue

Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2010, at
The Fortune Garden Restaurant

Healthcare reform – Genesis CEO's views

Democrats spent most of the last two years enacting it. Republicans say they want to spend the next two years repealing it. With healthcare reform still a front-burner issue, at the Dec. 8 meeting we'll learn the point of view of **Doug Cropper**, CEO of Genesis Health System, one of the



top 100 integrated health systems in the U.S.

In a way, healthcare has been a part of Doug's entire life. He grew up the son of a dentist in Salt Lake City, Utah. His first job was an operating room orderly. Now, with more than 28 years of healthcare experience, he is fulfilling his career goal of leading a health system.

Before joining Genesis in 2008, he was an executive vice president with Inova Health System, Falls Church, Va., and

campus administrator of the 900-bed Inova Fairfax Hospital, named by *U.S. News & World Report* among "America's 50 Best" hospitals in seven specialties.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010

Hancher still serves Iowa since '08 flood

As featured speaker at the Dec. 1 meeting, **Chuck Swanson**, executive director of Hancher Auditorium at the University of Iowa, reported on developments since the flood of 2008 devastated the facility.



With the feisty slogan "Can't Contain Us!" the Hancher performing arts seasons since the flood have continued to bring cultural events to Iowans in a variety of locations. Under Chuck's guidance, Hancher has used this adversity to find creative new ways to serve its three missions of teaching, research and service. It has brought together artists and performers, students and the public with sometimes unexpected results. For example, the performance, by student actors, of a newly commissioned play, based on interviews with patients of University Hospitals' Center for Macular Degeneration, prompted comments from doctors and medical students such as, "I'll never look at a person with disabilities the same way again." Chuck said that's teaching, research

(commissioning a play) and community service all rolled into one.

A new Hancher will be built – above the 500-year floodplain – with a scheduled completion in 2015, Chuck said. For more information on Hancher or its programs, go to www.hancher.uiowa.edu.

The meeting opened...



President Jeff Hassel, as he does every week, led the assembled throng in recitation of the 4-Way Test, singing of the day’s patriotic song, “This Is My Country,” and Moments of Reflection.

The singing resumed under the baton of maestro **Tom Howard** with the tuneful **Bernie Vogel** tickling the ivories in rousing renditions of “Rotary My Rotary” (to the tune of “O Tannenbaum,” evoking the Christmas spirit), “Winter Wonderland” (with the season’s first snowfall imminent) and “Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians” – namely:



December birthdays
... 3, Theron Schutte;
15, **Brad Boeye**;
23, Jeff Hassel,
Bernie Vogel;

26, Bob Gallagher, **Greg Blaske**; 29, Wayne Jochmann

Secretary Chuck introduced: Visiting Rotarians...

PDG Bill Tubbs, North Scott: Publisher
Gary Soshiecki, Vandalia, Mo.: Publisher

... and guest...

Cathy Duda with Kevin Kraft

Announcements...

→ **Grant applications.** The Charities Board received 39 grant applications, **President Jeff** announced; it will meet Dec. 12 to review requests and make recommendations to the Board. A January meeting will feature recipients of those grants talking about the projects then will fund.

→ **Chelsea Powers** passed around a signup list for distributing Christmas Basket. In addition to food, the baskets will contain gifts to the children of recipient families.

→ **All-QC Rotary meeting.** **Frank Mitvalsky** reiterated the invitation to the meeting at noon Monday, Dec. 13, for all Quad-City Rotarians to hear Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar, chair of the Rotary Foundation and 2005-6 president of Rotary International, at the i wireless Center. The event also includes a performance by an ensemble of the Augustana College Choir. Cost is \$20. For a reservation contact Frank: **764-8300** or fmitvalsky@califf.com. Those who attend will receive a makeup, **President Jeff** announced.

Presentation

→ **Sharon Sarver**, vocational service director, presented **Connie Mangler** a plaque recognizing her as “Rotarian of the Quarter” for her work as chair of the New Member Committee. Connie thanked all members of the committee for



their good work – 6 new members since the beginning of the Hassel Administration. (In a rare public peek at the panel’s “dirty laundry,” committee

member **Kevin Kraft** revealed that much of the responsibility for the group’s success is due to a “boy vs. girl challenge.” When the shocked crowd’s muttering died down, someone said, “So? It’s working isn’t it?” Kevin seemed speechless... for the moment.)

The news...



In a display of questionable taste, **Fred Anderson** pleaded “not enough time to prepare a real newscast,” and reported items “that you won’t hear reported anywhere else” (I wonder why...), including: A clerk at a Mexican restaurant in Deming, N.M., foiled a would-be robber by hitting him in the head with a package of empanadas... even though the driver of a car that slipped off a road in Missouri was thoroughly sloshed when police got to him,

he said he got drunk *after* the accident – and a jury let him off... a passenger on a cruise ship sailing from Mexico to Tampa, Fla., got inebriated and released an anchor in mid-ocean...

Sergeant at Arms...

President Jeff collected \$152 for our foundations + \$46 for the Scholarship fund. Happy donors of **Ryan \$\$** were:

President Jeff – \$5 for something about Iowa football (couldn’t have been too impressive, for just \$5)... **Penny McGimpsey** – 20th anniversary... **Tim**



Lane – daughter’s birthday... **Scott Tunncliff** – 2 Hilltop construction projects... **Carter LeBeau** – Illini beat Tarheels in basketball... **Jim Spelhaug** – 17th anniversary + improvements in

our scholarship program... **Donna Freese** – kudos for **Connie Mangler’s** volunteer work... **Ken Vandersnick** – also happy about Illinois basketball... **Kevin Kraft** – thanks for the Thanksgiving Baskets opportunity... **Dave Deuth** – travelogue report: **Tom Olson** at antique car and boat show in Florida + **Ralph Heninger** skiing in Colorado... **Doyle McCully** - \$1 worth of happiness that the Ol’ Miss “Teddy Bears” are *not* in a bowl this year...

Missing today:

L. Adams -3, Atnip-2, Archer, Brown-2, Brummel-14, Calabrese, Chambers-2, G. Coin, H. Coin, Coley-2, Daugherty, DeDoncker, Dobesh-3, Douglas-4, Ellstrom-22, Felsing, Foster-2, Freemire-

2, Gabrilson-2, Gallagher, Gudgel-2, Habenicht-2, Hartsock-2, Henrich-2, Heninger, Hintermeister-2, Hinton-3, James, Jochmann-2, Jones-18, Kappeler-2, Kennedy-4, Kass, Lanum-9, Legare-5, Lofgren-4, Lokenvitz-3, Lundin-2, L. Miller, Naumann, Nielsen-2, Olson, Pelecky-3, Ploehn-2, Rabine, Richards-12, Schillig-2, Schuler, Scranton, Sherrick, St. Laurent-6, Schutte, Sorensen-3, Volbrecht-4, Worley-6

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

Dec. 29: Vocational Services Talks – Sharon Sarver

News Staff...

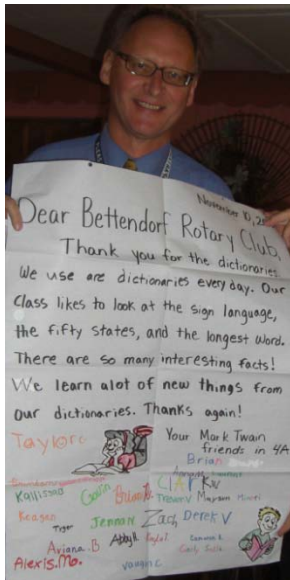
Editor, reporter: Fred Anderson...

Correspondent: Chuck Mooney...

Photographer, reporter: Carter LeBeau...

Webmeister: Ralph Heninger...

Website host: Harry Coin



In other news...

During the meeting, **Jim Spelhaug** circulated letters he had received from 4th-grade classes throughout Bettendorf, thanking BRC for giving each pupil a new dictionary.

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

Make-ups:

Duncan Cameron @ Rock Island

At today's committee meetings: Nicole McWilliams, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Simon Bowe, Tim Lane, Tim Downing, Jim Spelhaug, Pat Eikenberry, Carl Loweth, Donna Freese, Tom Ahlstrand, Kevin Kraft, Greg Blaske, Connie Mangler, Kirstin Adams, Chelsea Powers, S.K. Nanda, Susan Praul, Penny McGimpsey, Sharon Sarver, Duncan Cameron, Dawn Saul, Fred Anderson.

Upcoming meetings...

Dec. 15: Holiday Musical Program – students from Pleasant Valley H.S.

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