



**THE
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CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
April 10, 2013, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at
Fortune Garden Restaurant

**Matt Schultz, youngest
state secretary in U.S.**

Matt Schultz, the scheduled speaker at our April 17 meeting, was elected in 2010 as the youngest secretary of state in the country, and is currently serving his first term as Iowa secretary of state.



He was first elected to public office in 2005 as a city councilman in Council Bluffs, where he served for five years.

Schultz has focused on streamlining business services, including a new statewide lien registration system, and advocating for the integrity of the elections process. He supports a voter identification law in Iowa. He has also worked to increase ease of access to voting for Iowans on active military duty.

Schultz is co-chair of the Standing Committee on Voter Participation for the National Association of Secretaries of State. He is a graduate of BYU-Idaho, the University of Iowa, and the Law School at Creighton University.

Last meeting:
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**At 60 he went to
war to help vets**



As the two U.S. wars southwest Asia are winding down, **Dan Grinstead**, who deployed to Afghanistan in 2011 with Iowa National Guard units, said, “Things are a lot different for me than they were for Vietnam vets; then, people didn’t differentiate fighters from policy makers – but now things have switched.”

At the same time, he observed at the April 10 meeting, a much smaller portion of the U.S. population is serving in the military and “most vets feel civilians don’t get it” – that is, civilians don’t understand what soldiers go through in war... and when they return. Less than 0.5% of the U.S. population now serves in the armed services, compared with 4.3% during the Vietnam War and 11.5% in World War II.

So Dan, who was 60 years old at the time, went to the war so he could do his job – as a social worker who treats vets at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics – better.

He lived with the Iowa Guard soldiers, endured rocket attacks and carried out his mission running combat stress clinics. After combat missions, he said he helped both soldiers and the medical personnel who treated their wounds “deal with the bad experiences” of combat.

Asked what Rotarians, or any civilians, can do to help a returned veteran, Dan said, “Hire them. Probe their skill set – which is different from a civilian’s work skills – and you’ll find someone who is organized, resourceful and used to carrying out orders to fulfill a mission.” You just have to translate those characteristics into the needs of a civilian job, he added.

Announcements...



→**LobsterFest**: Co-chairs **Chelsea Powers** and **Sharon Sarver** presented a full roundup of latest developments: Chelsea announced the latest sponsors: at the Bronze level, **George Coin**, Community Health Care (**Jeff Hassel**) and Gallagher Millage Gallagher (**Bob Gallagher Sr.**); and at the Silver level:



Professional Touch Cleaning Services (**Diane Ricketts-McCool**) and Bush Construction (**Tom Bush**). The addition of these sponsors brings the sponsorship total to 19,500, she added.

“Tickets are now available for sale,” Sharon announced. When you order them from **Penny McGimpsey**, she added, “be sure to specify the person’s entire preference – lobster or steak.”

Sharon also announced the captains of the two ticket-sales teams:

→“Tom’s Ticket Terrors”: **Tom Howard, Amber Castro** and **Doyle McCully**

→“Lobster Kings”: **S.K. Nanda, Rich James** and **Kristen Adams**.

Here’s the up-to-date list of LobsterFest sponsors:

= Presenting (\$5,000): THE National Bank (**John DeDoncker**)
= Gold (\$2,500): still available
= Silver (\$1,000): Bowe Machine (**Simon Bowe**), Bush Construction (**Tom Bush**), Professional Touch Cleaning Services (**Diane Ricketts-McCool**), RJS & Associates (**Dick Schillig**), Weerts Funeral Home (**Dave Deuth**), Werner Restorations (**Brent Werner**)

= Bronze (\$500): **George Coin**, Community Health Care (**Jeff Hassel**), Gallagher Millage Gallagher (**Bob Gallagher Sr.**), Holmes Murphy & Associates (**Chelsea Powers**), Home Instead (**Steve Habenicht**), Knilans' Furniture & Interiors (**Amber Castro**), **Carter and Kaye LeBeau**, Mel Foster Co. (**Brad Boeye**), Midwest Seafood, Steve's Mirror & Glass (**Jerry Felsing**), **Sharon and Brad Sarver**, Paul and **Emily Scranton**, Swiss Valley Farms, Wagner's Cleaners (**Ken Vandersnick**), Wells Fargo Advisors (**Rich James**)



➔ **District 6000 Conference: President Mark** said he and **Decker Ploehn** would attend the District 6000 Conference this weekend at Lake Rathbun in central Iowa, where Decker is one of 11 nominees for the District 6000 Paul Hellwege Award, which recognizes a Rotarian from the district who exhibits exceptional ethics, honor and integrity. It is named for the late Judge Paul E. Hellwege, past district governor (1954-55) from Boone, Iowa.

➔ **Children's Therapy Center telethon: President Mark** asked for two volunteers to work the phones during the "Rotary Hour" of the telethon to benefit the Children's Therapy Center of the QC. The telethon runs 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, April 21, on WQAD-TV8. Contact President Mark to volunteer.

➔ **New secretary: President Mark** said the club has begun a search for the successor to **Secretary Chuck**, who has announced he will retire in four years. Interested? Contact President Mark.

The meeting opened...

President Mark Ross opened the meeting by leading the recitation of the 4-Way Test. Song leader **Tom Howard**, accompani



ed by **Zoey Pinter** on piano, led the singing of "America the Beautiful." After Moments of Reflection, the singing continued with "Vive le Rotary" (2 verses) and "April Showers," inspired by the day's weather.

Secretary Chuck ('the leading scorer in last night's women's basketball championship game')

Mooney introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

Steve Taets, East Moline: Banking
Eric Johannes, Moline: Financial

Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Brian Kennedy**, bmfkennedy@att.net, 340-5114, and to **Scott Naumann**, 445-4260, scottn@midlandcom.com. Have a program idea? Give 'em a call.

April 17: Iowa Secretary of State Matt Schultz



Jon Ryan Happy \$\$
(named for the late
Jon Ryan, who
never met a pun he
didn't like...)

President Mark
collected \$133 for our

foundations – from these generous members: **Jeff Hill** – looking forward to watching The Masters this weekend... **Decker Ploehn** – “**Craig Windmiller** isn't here, when he said he would be... so here's the \$20 he owes” next time... **George Daugherty** – youngest daughter is engaged, will wed this summer... **Doyle McCully** – granddaughter, 16, going to gymnastic regionals next week + a check to **Dick Schillig** to help with Run with Carl how many days, Dick?)... **Rich James** – oldest grandson's 5th birthday... **Tim Lane** – as a member of the LobsterFest auction committee, thanks to **Chelsea Powers** for the Cubs game tickets + he urged others to “just ask” for other auction items.

Missing...



K. Adams,
Archer-15,
Ashby, Boeye,
Bowe-15,
Brown-15,
Bush, Castro,
Chambers,
Deuth, Dobesh-
13, Duda,
Edwards-15,
Eikenberry -2,
Ellstrom-15,
Felsing,
Gallagher Sr.-4,
Glass, Harrison-
10, Heninger,

Hinton-15, Kappeler-5, Kellenberger,
Kennedy-7, Limberg-2, McGimpsey,

McWilliams-4, L. Miller-14, Mitvalsky,
Murphy-15, Naumann, Olson-2, Oswald-
2, Pieart, Salm-8, Schuler, Schutte,
Scranton, Sherrick, Slavens, Stopulos-2,
Voigts-10, Volbrecht-7, Willsher,
Windmiller-2, Worley

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



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