



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:
Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2013, at
Fortune Garden Restaurant

**Meet executive director of
QC Symphony Orchestra**



Executive director of the Quad City Symphony since last November 2012, **Benjamin Loeb** is the scheduled speaker at the Aug. 14 meeting.

Before joining the QCSO, Benjamin was the executive director of the Greater Bridgeport, Ct., Symphony Orchestra. He was also the founder, executive director and music director of El Paso Symphony Youth Orchestras. "He has worked as a conductor, teacher and manager," said Julie McHard, QCSO Association Board president.

Loeb holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in music from Harvard University, a Master of Music from the Curtis Institute of Music, a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from The Julliard School, and a Graduate Performance Diploma in Conducting from the Peabody Conservatory.

Last meeting:
Wednesday, July 31, 2013



**Disabilities aware?
Try this HDC 'quiz'**

Carol Foster, vice president of resource development at the Handicapped Development Center (HDC), Davenport, conducted a 10-question "quiz" during the Aug. 7 meeting to dispel some common myths concerning persons with disabilities.

The quiz, a part of Carol's efforts to educate the QC public about the center and its clients, was intended to help her audience interact more effectively with persons who have disabilities. Lessons learned from the quiz covered a broad range of disabilities-related issues:
→ A person with cerebral palsy does not necessarily have intellectual challenges.
→ Someone with speech difficulties would rather not have you try to help

them with pronunciation or word choice – rather, listen carefully and be patient.

- A person in a wheelchair considers the chair an extension of their body, so take care not to bump it or lean on it.
- Stand to the side of a person in a wheelchair, and adjust your position so you will be closer to their level in the wheelchair.
- If a hearing-impaired person has a sign interpreter, don't talk to the interpreter – rather, stand beside the interpreter and face the person who's hearing-impaired.
- A person who has an epilepsy seizure may act similar to someone who's intoxicated or under the influence of a drug; be careful not to jump to the wrong conclusion based on appearances.
- If a person with a disability seems to be struggling with a task, don't jump in to help – ask if that person wants help, and, if yes, what they'd like you to do.
- A person with autism may have capabilities along a wide spectrum; along with some limitations, they may have the ability to do extraordinary things, such as play complex piano pieces – by ear.
- Just because a person has a sight or hearing impairment that does not mean he or she has any intellectual impairment.
- When talking with a person who's sight-impaired, for example, don't be afraid to use common phrases like, "See you later" – you won't offend them, and they just may use the same expression.
- Don't "define" a person in terms of a disability; use terms such as "person with epilepsy" rather than "epileptic person."

Carol said the Handicapped Development Center exists to help persons with disabilities to more fully integrate into the community. One service HDC offers is disability awareness training – an expanded version of the "quiz" – for employers anywhere in the QC community, she added.

Announcements...

→**Happy Birth Day: President Chelsea Powers** gave birth to a daughter, **Peyton Eloise**, on Aug. 1. She weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. at birth and measured 19 in. long. All the Powers family members are well.



→**Run with Carl:** After the 5th full week of "conditioning" for the Run with Carl events on Labor Day, **Dick Schillig** revealed yet another shakeup in the rankings of the President's Cup Challenge:

Dave Falk's Old Glory: moved into the lead with 410 miles this week and a total of 1,645 for the campaign

Nicole McWilliams' Cosmic Cannonballs: slipped into 2nd place with 319 miles and a total of 1,596

Jeff Hassel's Hustlers: remained in 3rd place with 354 miles for the week and a 5-week total of 1,586

Volunteer wrangler **Mike Vollbrecht** opened the call for volunteers – for such diverse jobs as supplying cookies, distributing water, assembling and distributing packets, and directing traffic along the course on race day – by passing around signup sheets. If you want to volunteer for any job, don't wait for a



sheet to pass your way; contact Mike: mvollbrecht@shive-hattery.com / (W) (309)277-1978 / (H) (563) 343-9490

It's 25 days to Labor Day and the Run with Carl events.



→**Golf Outing:** **John Rabine** reminded those who didn't have it on their calendar yet that the annual Bettendorf Rotary Golf Outing is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 10 – more

details to follow.

→**Grant applications now open.** The Rotary Charities Grant Application on the BRC Web site is now live and ready to accept applications from qualifying not-for-profit organizations in the QC, **Jeff Hassel** announces.



Please tell representatives of those organizations they can go to this link and follow the instructions to make an application: <http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/rotarygrants>

Jon Ryan
Happy \$\$...
(Named to honor the late **Bettendorf** Rotarian, **master punster** and **all-around good guy**)



Acting President Diane collected \$189 from some members who were happy about the anniversary of their birth – and some who were just happy: **Amber Castro** – birthday... **Decker Ploehn** – 18th Street will reopen next week – in both work areas... **Bob Gallagher Sr.** – a happy grandpa lunching with his granddaughter... **Penny McGimpsey** – 45th birthday... **John Sherrick** – a grandpa for the 4th time.

The meeting opened...

Stand-in President Diane Ricketts-



McCool (2000-01) led the recitation of The 4-Way Test and Moments of Reflection . **Tom Howard** – with piano accompaniment by **Gail Baldwin**

– led the singing of the day's patriotic song, "This Is My Country." After introductions – ours being a Singing Rotary – we also sang "The 4-Way Test," "Side by Side" and the first-of-the-month



stalwart, “Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians” – in this case: 4, Steve Sorenson; 5, Amber Castro; 7, Ron Edwards; 9, **Penny McGimpsey**; 12, Jerry Felsing; 14, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Jay Willsher; 22, Dawn Saul; 27, Linda Miller

President Chelsea Powers is on maternity leave for August – see Announcements – and a parade of past presidents will conduct meetings until her return on this schedule:

- Aug. 14: **Dave Falk** (1988-89)
- Aug. 21: **Jeff Hassel** (2011-12)
- Aug. 28: **Tom Howard** (1969-70)

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

Dougal Nelson, North Scott
Ken Beck, Davenport

Guests:

Carol Foster, Handicapped Development Center (speaker)
Patrick Hanrahan, guest of **Dick Schillig**

(4th week – applied for membership)
Christy Gause, guest of Jay **Wilshire** (4th week – applying for membership)
Sue Mannix, guest of **Decker Ploehn** (2nd week – applying for membership)
Allyssa Gallagher, guest of Bob Gallagher, Jr.
Carla Duncan, guest of Davenport Rotarian Ken Beck



Secretary Johanna Smith signs up for a Run with Carl volunteer job.

Missing today...

Adams, K. (6), Adams, L. (3), Bibik (3),
Bowe (6), Brown (6), Chambers (2),
Coin, H. (2), Dickson (2), Duda (3),
Edwards (6), Ellstrom (6), Felsing (2),
Gudgel (4), Hassel, Heninger (3), Hill,
Hintermeister, Hinton (3), Kass,
Kellenberger (3), Kennedy (6), LeBeau,
Lokenvitz (5), Loweth (2), Marvin (3),
Miller, L., Mitvalsky (3), Nelson (6),
Oswald (5), Riepe (4), Ross (2), Sarver
(2), Schutte (2), Scranton (5), Stopulos
(3), Werner (4), Willsher (2), Worley (6)



Make-ups...

Lane; Vandersnick

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

Upcoming meetings...



... Thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, scottn@midlandcom.com, 445-4260. All ideas for future programs are most gratefully accepted.
August Membership Month:

Aug. 14: Quad City Symphony Director Benjamin Loeb

Aug. 21: Rob Woodall, director of manufacturing, ALCOA
Aug. 28: Our own **Harry Coin**: “Human nature meets ‘Big Data’,” or what managers need to know about technology security directions
Sept. 4: Gary Asay, Osco, Ill., farmer and director, National Pork Producers Council
Sept. 11: Scott Tunncliff: Harrison Hilltop Redevelopment Update
Sept. 18: Bettendorf Rotary Annual Golf Outing & Steak Fry (chicken & salmon, too)
Sept. 25: Club Assembly
Oct. 2: Lunch and tour of renovated sections of the Bettendorf Public Library, thanks to **Jeff Hassel**.
Oct. 9: District 6000 Gov. Jacque Andrew
Oct. 16: Exchange student from Germany, thanks to host **Amber Castro**
Oct. 23: Rob Woodhall, ALCOA



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