



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:
Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2013, at the
Fortune Garden Restaurant

**A vocational education
meeting like no other**



If you were at this week's meeting, you heard **Jonna Schuler** say that she had consulted many Rotary sources to develop her own definition of Vocational

Service. You'll learn more about what she learned as she puts that definition into practice at the Nov. 13 meeting.

And you likely will learn a good deal more than that. "I guarantee each person there will know more about their fellow Rotarians at the end of the meeting than they did when they arrived," Jonna said.

A bold statement – how do you suppose she intends to deliver on that guarantee?

Last meeting:
Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2013



**How Iowa Public
Health helps us**

The director of the Iowa Department of Public Health, **Dr. Mariannette Miller-Meeks**, provided an overview of services her department provides to help protect the health of Iowans during our Nov. 6 meeting.

Repeatedly praising the work done by Iowa's network of 101 local health officials, she described the structure of the department:

→Department of Public Health
Director's office: maintains liaison with other public health entities from the local to federal levels, and oversees the state's oversight health-related boards: dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy, health and medical examiner.

→ Acute Disease Prevention and Emergency Response: oversees infectious disease prevention and control, disaster planning and response, emergency medicine and immunizations.
→ Administration and Professional Licensure: oversees the issuance of birth, marriage and death certificates, and supervises 19 licensing boards that regulate more than 30 health-related professions.



→ Behavioral Health promotes the prevention of substance abuse and problem gambling, and related issues, such as STDs and HIV.
→ Environmental Health helps local health entities such as boards of health, environmental health professionals, public health nurses and communities facing environmental health issues.
→ Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention promotes healthy-living and nutrition programs and operates specialized centers, including the center for congenital and inherited disorders.
→ The Tobacco Use Prevention and Control agency supports all efforts in Iowa to curb the use of tobacco.

Nearly \$6 in \$10 of the DPH's budget comes from federal grants – many to fund specific programs – and the remainder is split about evenly between state appropriations from the legislature and fees for licensing and other services, Miller-Meeks said.

In response to questions from members, she said results of a new vision-screening program in all Iowa public-school systems are being added to the computerized immunization registry for all students in the state.

Announcements...

→ 2 minutes with S.K. (for Rotary Foundation Month): During his first



installment of this month-long series, **S.K. Nanda** began the story of how the foundation got started. Chicago businessman (the University of Iowa graduate) Paul Harris in 1905 began meeting weekly with three friends for lunch and to learn more about each other's business. Soon others were invited to join and educate the group about their profession. Later that year they completed their first community-service project: buying a new horse for a Chicago clergyman. Adopting the name Rotary (symbolic of industry), they elected officers – Harris was elected in year 3 and led the group for two years – and added clubs in other cities. By 1910, there were 16 Rotary clubs. [To be continued next week]

→ **Thanksgiving baskets:** President **Chelsea** passed out signup sheets for members to volunteer to deliver a Thanksgiving food basket to a needy family in Bettendorf. Deliveries are slated for Saturday, No. 23. **Chris Glass**, who is in charge of the project, will email details to the volunteers.

→ **LobsterFest:** **Sharon Sarver** began the process of preparing for “the best



damn fundraiser in the Quad Cities... or the nation,” which is set for Saturday, June 14. She asked **Frank Mitvalsky** what question the event brought to mind and he replied, “What can I do to get involved?” To answer, Sharon cited numerous examples: sponsorship by your employer, collection of auction items, promoting the event through marketing or public relations, selling tickets, working at registration, securing volunteers and coordinating them, arranging for food and beverages... handling the logistics. “We need everyone to pitch in” to make the 2014 version of BRC’s No. 1 fundraiser a success, said Sharon, who is event co-chair with **Chelsea Powers**. To volunteer for any job, contact Sharon (ssarver529@yahoo.com / 320.7180) or Chelsea (cpowers@holmesmurphy.com / 468.4053).



→ **Vocational chair:** Continuing the educational series on the positions that make up the BRC Board, which began a few weeks ago, **Jonna Schuler** informed us that the vocational chair is in charge of the idea that first brought Paul Harris and his friends together – the daily work of the members.

Pointing to the professional classification on each member’s badge, she noted, “You represent Rotary in all you do, as you serve the community.”

One job of the vocational chair, she pointed out, is recognition of the Rotarian of the Quarter in thanks for service to the club or to the community. For the 2nd quarter, **Carl Loweth** received the award for his work taking charge of the bar facilities at the 2013 LobsterFest. “Best bar we ever had,” **Decker Ploehn** shouted amidst the applause for Carl.



The meeting opened...

After calling the meeting to order, **President Chelsea Powers** led the recitation of The 4-Way Test and Moments of Reflection. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Zooney Pinter**, opened the singing with the day's patriotic song, "God Bless America." After introductions, the singing resumed with "Sing Out a Song of Rot'ry," "He's Got the Whole World in His Hand" and



"Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians." In November, that means: 4, Fred Anderson; 5, Jennifer Naeve; 6, Nicole McWilliams; 9, Becky Hinton; 13, John Sherrick, Scott Naumann; 18, Rev. Gene Miller, John Riepe; 21, Brent Werner, Jean Dickson; 25, Christy Gause; 27, Cathy Duda; 30, **Ken Vandersnick**

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced:

Visiting Rotarians:

Kathy Kraft, Davenport
PDG Bill Tubbs, North Scott

Guests:

Dr. Mariannette Miller-Meeks, speaker: Iowa Department of Public Health
Mike Hurd with **Frank Mitvalsky**
Carla Popp with **Steve Habenicht**
Katie Pearson with **Christy Gause**
Linda Daley with **Bill Daley**
Jon White with visiting Rotarian Kathy Kraft

Johanna reported total attendance of 69, including 59 Bettendorf Rotarians, visiting Rotarians and guests.

Jon Ryan Happy \$\$...

(Named in honor of the late Bettendorf Rotarian, punster, jokester and all-around good guy)



President Chelsea

collected **\$239**, especially from members whose \$\$ were happy: **Harry Coin** – \$1 for his Dad's cupcake and \$17, "\$1 for each hundred miles he's ridden his bike this year"... **Kevin Kraft** – although not present last week to see **Dave Deuth** pay off his Packers-over-Vikings bet, \$20 this week because of the Bears-over-Packers outcome, even if he didn't bet on it... **Bill Tubbs** – congratulations to **Mike Limberg**, the newly elected mayor of Long Grove... **Steve Piart** – penance for missing the last three weeks because of travel... **Decker Ploehn** – Tanglefoot Lane will be open by Nov. 15... **Ann Kappeler** – \$20 "because I've been gone so much recently"... **George Coin** – thanks to Harry for the cupcake... **Ken**

Vandersnick – planning to make up at Rotary clubs while traveling in Colorado... **Bill Daley** – amends for flubbing his wife’s introduction... **Rich James** – a new grandpa, for the 4th time.



Missing today...

Adams, K. (16); Adams, L. (15); Arndt (12); Bibik (10); Bowe (19); Brown (19); Bush (14); Calabrese (9); Castro (5); DeDoncker (10); Deuth (8); Dickson (10); Dobesh (5); Duda (14); Edwards (19); Eikenberry (13); Ellstrom (19); Falk (6); Felsing (6); Franks (15); Gallagher Sr. (9); Gallagher Jr. (4); Glass (8); Hassel (8); Hintermeister (10); Hinton (16); Kass (2); Kennedy (16); Larsen (8); McWilliams (14); Mannix (5); Naumann (2); Nelson (19); Oswald (9); Rabine (6); Ricketts-McCool (9); Ross (7); Salm (14); Scranton (16); Sherrick (10); Vollbrecht (12); Windmiller (7); Worley (19); Zachary (6)

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**, scott@midlandcom.com, 445-4260.
Nov. 13: Vocational service – learn more about who, among your fellow BRC members, does what ...
Nov. 20: **Monta Ponsetto**, director of epilepsy serviced for the Quad Cities, Epilepsy Foundation of North/Central Illinois, Iowa & Nebraska



The BRC canopy, which can be seen at such events as the Bettendorf 4th of July parade

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