

# THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

**Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club**  
Jan. 8, 2014, issue

## ***Next meeting:***

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2014, at the  
Fortune Garden Restaurant

## **Focus will be on the city's public works**

The featured speaker at the Jan. 15  
meeting will be **Brian Schmidt**,  
Bettendorf public works director, to

update  
us on  
snow  
removal,  
street  
repair  
and other  
infra-  
structure  
issues  
that have  
kept him

busy in the nearly two years he has held  
the post.

Before directing Bettendorf's Public  
Works Department, Brian worked for the  
Davenport Public Works Department for  
nine years. His last position was that of  
senior engineer and storm-water  
engineer.

Brian is a 1995 graduate of the  
University of Illinois. Before working for  
Davenport, he worked for McClure  
Engineering Associates in East Moline.



## ***Last meeting:***

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## **Update: Hilltop Campus Village**

Former BRC member **Scott Tunncliff**,  
who leads the efforts to revitalize a  
central Davenport neighborhood known  
as Hilltop Campus Village, described the  
results of his work over the last 4 years at  
the Jan. 8 meeting. Hilltop – roughly the  
area from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Vander Veer Park,  
Ripley to Brady streets – is one of 49  
Main Street Iowa projects whose focus is  
“renewal and revitalization” of neglected  
commercial areas in communities, he  
said.



**Scott at a historic home in the Village area**

That area, particularly the business districts along Brady and Harrison streets, had been the victims of “benign neglect” for about 40 years, Scott said. As a result, he added, most of the business investment had died in that area.

Since Scott took the helm of the area’s business association, several initiatives have resulted in improvements:

- A good working relationship with St. Ambrose University has brought in several new or relocated businesses that appeal to students
- Palmer College of Chiropractic has partnered with the group to upgrade street lighting in the area
- The group acted as a catalyst in the development of a \$8.1 million commercial-residential complex on the site of some demolished buildings – which included expanded parking lots, thanks to Iowa-American Water Co., he said
- New businesses are occupying formerly vacant properties on Harrison and Brady streets.

Paraphrasing the philosophy underlying the Main Street Iowa program, Scott said, “We’re making a difference (in the area) by bringing about significant change through many small changes.”

**Presentations:  
A Paul Harris Bonanza!**

Foundation Chair **S.K. Nanda** recognized five BRC members who became or advanced as Paul Harris Fellows.



→ Becoming **Paul Harris Fellows** for the first time, because they have donated \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation, were **Kurt Lokenvitz** and **Dawn Saul**.



→ By donating a second \$1,000, thus earning the **PHF + 1 sapphire** pin, were **Frank Schwab**, **Carl Loweth** and **Jeff Hassel**.

**Announcements...**

→ **Holiday Party:** Highlighted by an “Ugly Sweater” contest, the BRC Holiday Party will be 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan, 23, at the Davenport Country Club. The \$10 per person cost covers “heavy



hors d'œuvre.” The winner of the sweater contest wins back the \$10 fee, plus free parking at the coveted BRC spot for a month, promised planners **Kevin Kraft** and **Kirsten Adams**. To RSVP, contact Secretary **Johanna Smith** at [bettendorffrotary@gmail.com](mailto:bettendorffrotary@gmail.com).



➔ **Grant presentations:** Remember, the Jan. 29 meeting moves to the Waterfront Convention Center where the BRC Charitable Giving grants will be presented to the 2014 recipients. Chair **Jeff Hassel** advised arriving for the lunch buffet at 11:30 a.m.

➔ **Red Badge Meeting:** New members and others who want to attend this informative meeting – 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, at Granite City – should RSVP to Secretary **Johanna Smith**, [bettendorffrotary@gmail.com](mailto:bettendorffrotary@gmail.com).

➔ **Rotary Awareness Month:** As her first act to spread Rotary awareness during January, **President Chelsea** provided Rotary-logo decals that members could display in a car window.



**The meeting opened... President Chelsea Powers called the first meeting of 2014 to order and led the**

recitation of The 4-Way Test. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Gayle Baldwin**, led the singing of the day's patriotic song, "God Bless America.

After introductions and Moments of Reflection – during which **Harry Coin** asked that we remember the 2013 passing of our members **Carolyn Leutwyler**, **Carter LeBeau** and **Lee Semenov**, and we learned of the death of **Mike Limberg's** grandmother – we resumed singing with "Rotary Ideals," "Auld Lang Syne" (same melody), "Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians" and "Smiles."

The singing of "Happy Birthday" was in celebration of these members' anniversaries of birth: 1, Heather Wessel; 10, Chris Glass; 14, Mark Ross; 16, Tony Calabrese; 17, Jon Ellstrom; 20, **George Daugherty**; 22, **Ryan Bell**; 25, Dave Death



## Secretary Johanna Smith

**introduced:**

**Visiting Rotarian:**

**Guests:**

Scott Tunncliff, Hilltop Campus Village (speaker)

Joe Tirone, guest of **Chris Glass**

Annette Martinez, guest of **Chelsea**

**Powers**

Brad Morrison, guest of **Bill Daley**

In all, 58 Bettendorf Rotarians attended – and 4 guests joined us.

The Board will vote Jan. 14 on proposed new members:

→Joe Tirone, sponsored by **Chris Glass**

→Brad Morrison, sponsored by **Bill Daley**

→Dimy Doresca, sponsored by **Jim Slavens**

## Jon Ryan

**Happy \$\$...**

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

**President Chelsea**

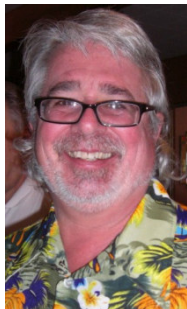
added **\$382** to the club's treasury when these folks told about the current sources of their happiness: **Richard "Ozzie"**

**Oswald** – happy for the dedication of the Iowa-American Water Co. staff who had to endure the harsh weather to repair the 20+ main breaks since Sunday...

**Steve Habenicht** – thanks for all the support for Be a Santa to a Senior; he noted Sharon Semenow brought numerous gifts

**Lee** had purchased... **Glenn Kass** – \$1 per each win by the Illini and the Bears, in memory of **Carter LeBeau**, + \$78 in memory of his Mom = \$100... **George Daugherty** – thanks for Iowa-

American's help with a frozen pipe +



having his daughter and her family for 10 days during the holidays... **Tom**

**Howard** – “this 76-year-old has retired”

... **Dick Schillig** – 235 days to Labor Day + 252 days to the next BRC Golf Outing... **Scott Tunncliff** – silver anniversary in a week... **Dave Deuth** –



\$10 for the Vikings' last game in the Metro-Dome + advice for Packers fans (from his

fortune cookie): “Perceived failure is sometimes success in another

way”... **Rich James** – 2 weeks in Colorado home for the holidays...

**Decker Ploehn** – after no heat at City Hall two days ago, “we know how you feel” because of the cold weather...

**Jennifer Naeve** – kids did well in ITBS.



## Missing today...

Adams, L (19), Arndt (20), Bibik (17), Boeye (16), Bowe (26), Brown (26), Bush (21), Castro (6), Coin, G. (3), Duda, (20), Eikenberry (18), Ellstrom (26), Franks (22), Gallagher, Sr. (12), Gallagher, Jr. (7), Gause (9), Glass (8), Gudgel (15), Heninger (11), Hill (5), Hinton (23), Hipple (17), Hurd (2), Kappeler (22), Kennedy (23), Lane (2), Limberg (14), Lizak (15), McWilliams

(21), Mannix (10), Marvin (15), Miller, L. (8), Nelson (26), Olson (13), Salm (20), Scranton (21), Sherrick (17), Slavens (8), Werner (20), Worley (26)



### **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](mailto:scottn@midlandcom.com), 445-4260:  
**Jan. 15:** Brian Schmidt, Bettendorf public works director  
**Jan. 22:** Natalie Johansen Murray: HAVlife (Hunter Aaron Vondran Memorial Foundation) – preventing lost youth potential  
**Jan. 29:** LobsterFest grant presentations at the Waterfront Convention Center

### **History of Rotary mottoes...**

Rotary’s official mottoes, **Service Above Self** and **One Profits Most Who Serves Best**, trace back to the early days of the organization.

In 1911, He Profits Most Who Serves Best was approved as the Rotary motto at the second convention of the National Association of Rotary Clubs of America, in Portland, Ore. It was adapted from a speech made by Rotarian Arthur Frederick Sheldon to the first convention, held in Chicago the previous year. Sheldon declared that “only the science of right conduct toward others pays. Business is the science of human services. He profits most who serves his fellows best.”

The Portland convention also inspired the motto Service Above Self. During a convention outing on the Columbia River, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, talked with Seattle Rotarian J.E. Pinkham about the proper way to organize a Rotary club, offering the principle his club had adopted: Service, Not Self. Pinkham invited Paul P. Harris, who also was on the boat trip, to join their conversation. Harris asked Collins to address the convention, and the phrase Service, Not Self was met with great enthusiasm.

At the 1950 RI Convention in Detroit, slightly modified versions of the two slogans were formally approved as the official mottoes of Rotary: He Profits Most Who Serves Best and Service Above Self. The 1989 Council on Legislation established Service Above Self as the principal motto of Rotary.

### **For more on Bettendorf Rotary Club:**

<http://www.bettendorfrotary.com/>