



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:

Wednesday, June 11, 2014, at The Fountains, 3726 Thunder Ridge Rd.

Meet contestants in the Miss Iowa 2014 pageant



Last year we met **Nicole Kelly**, who became Miss Iowa 2013 shortly after our annual luncheon with Miss Iowa contestants at The Fountains. At our June 11

meeting we'll have the opportunity to meet the 2014 contestants.

In anticipation, here are some excerpts from Nicole's story, in her own words: "I was born without my left forearm. (Although, when people ask me what happened to my arm, I like to ask, 'Well, what do you think happened?' My favorite explanation... has been that it was bitten off by a shark...a perfect explanation for someone from Iowa.) As I grew older..., I tried everything! I found my passion within...the stage....

"In May of 2012, I graduated from the Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a degree in directing and

theatre management... I spent my summers working in Massachusetts at the Williamstown Theatre Festival (via the wonderful VSA program, the International Organization on Arts and Disability, which now is a part of my platform) and in New Mexico at the Santa Fe Opera...."

Last meeting:

Wednesday, June 4, 2014

Here's what's up at Niabi Zoo...

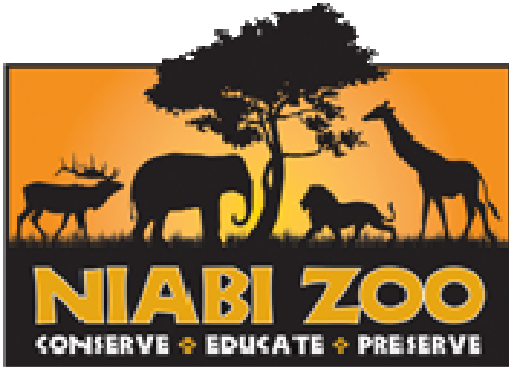
Although Niabi Zoo has only been open since mid-April, **Marc Heinzman**, its director, told BRC members at the June 4 meeting attendance has already topped 60,000.

"The first Saturday, we welcomed more than 9,200 visitors," Marc said. "We really appreciate the community support."

Two new exhibits are being planned for this year, he said – a rain forest, which will showcase all levels of that environment, with indigenous plants, animals and birds; and a meerkat habitat that will open in late fall.

Marc promoted several upcoming events:





→ Kids' Wild-fest, all day June 21, featuring many activities for kids and especially featuring the giraffes and their plight in the wild, since it's the longest day of the year

→ Breakfast with the Animals, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 14 – and later dates (check niabizoo.com/ for dates) – offering a warm catered breakfast buffet and education on the animals before Niabi opens for the day

→ Pints for Preservation – 6-10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, a fundraiser beer-tasting event with 10 beverage-tasting and food stations around the zoo

And coming in October, Marc said, is the Zoofari Ball, Niabi's gala fundraiser with "a plated dinner, open bar and more all in an over-the-top decorated party tent on the zoo grounds." This year's theme is Brazil, with both Amazon rain forest and Carnival decorations. Funds raised during the \$100-a-plate event support care and acquisition of animals, development of new exhibits and education efforts, he added.

Announcements...

→ **LobsterFest help urgently needed:** Volunteers are needed for next Wednesday and Thursday, **Secretary Johanna Smith** emailed on June 5.

On **Wednesday, June 11**, 3-4 volunteers are needed at 10 a.m. at Rivermont

Collegiate to carry supplies from the Carriage House to the main building. This would take 45 minutes to an hour, Johanna said.

At 10 the next morning, **Thursday, June 12**, another 3 or 4 volunteers are needed at Rivermont to wash and roll silverware. This will take 1-2 hours, she said.

"Please let **President Chelsea** or me know ASAP if you would be interested in volunteering on either Wednesday or Thursday," Johanna urged. "If you have a child who is out of school or a spouse who would like to help, we would love them to help as well!" she added.



→ **LobsterFest update:** For the Saturday, June 14, event, "We still need volunteers for setup on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning – and tear-down afterward," **President Chelsea** reminded. To **volunteer** online: Contact **Sharon Sarver** (ssarver529@yahoo.com / 320-7180), or **President Chelsea** (468-4053 / cpowers@holmesmurphy.com)

More than 33 tables' worth of **tickets** Have been sold," reported **Penny McGimpsey**, leaving "about 6 tables – or about 50 seats – yet to fill. Tickets go for \$75 each or a table of 8 for \$520.

Penny also reminded sponsors to “get the names of people at your tables to me ASAP.” To buy any of the remaining tickets, contact Penny (333-2649 / pmcgimpsey@gctimes.com), President Chelsea Powers (468-4053 / cpowers@holmesmurphy.com) or Secretary Johanna Smith, ([Johanna M Smith@hotmail.com](mailto:Johanna_M_Smith@hotmail.com)).

Sponsors must have their banners at Rivermont Collegiate by 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, Chelsea said.

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→Polo-style Rotary shirts: The June 4 meeting was the final opportunity to order a new “butter yellow or French blue” polo-style shirt, **Kevin Kraft** announced. He stayed after the meeting to take last-minute orders and get members’ shirt sizes. Because of the volume of orders, the cost dropped from \$32 to about \$25 apiece, he said. To check your shirt size, or to ask any questions, contact **Kevin (332-9315 / kevin.kraft@ubs.com)**.

→Miss Iowa, June 11: President **Chelsea** reminded all that the meeting next week – June 11 – is our annual luncheon at The Fountains (3726 Thunder Ridge Road) – with this year’s Miss Iowa



contestants. Because parking is scarce, she urged members to arrive about 11:30 a.m., when lunch service begins.



→ **‘Service above selfie’**: Saying she has just 4 meetings left in her term, **President Chelsea** issued a challenge to members. She urged, “Take a selfie with your phone – ideally while performing a service, hence the title ‘Service above Selfie’ – and email it to **Glenn Kass**, who will put all the photos on the BRC Facebook page.



→ **Marshal at our hole at JDC: Steve Piart** urged members to sign up to marshal at the BRC Hole No. 1. **The deadline to sign up is June 15**, he added. The Classic runs July 9-13. To sign up, go to the BRC Web site (bettendorffrotary.com) or contact **Jeff Hassel** (hassel14@gmail.com / 332-1982) or **Steve Piart** (355-3147 / smharmony@netexpress.net).

History with Harry...

(Gleanings from Harry Coin’s ongoing searches for fun stuff in the archives of Bettendorf Rotary Club)



On this day, Wednesday, June 4, in this room..."

Our Rotary Pony League Team won its first game, 9-5! In 1958.

Joe Slavens was the Song Leader 11 years later, in 1969, Werner Schaefer-Junger presented a program on the Far East. **Tom Howard** brought guest John Wangsness.

Today in 1980: **Ralph Heninger** was the guest of Ralph Heninger! What?

Tim Downing was looking for volunteers to help at the “Volunteer Park” Saturday at 9 a.m.!

Last...

Absent on this day in 1969 and 1980:

Today’s Attendance Curse Breaker is: **Jim Slavens!**



Jon Ryan
Happy \$\$...

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

President Chelsea collected \$242 at the June 4 meeting (and \$380 on May 28).

This week’s happiness came especially from: **Todd Ashby** – promoting “Creating Positive Outcomes,” a Think Tank event, 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 26, at Rivermont Collegiate featuring

Bettendorf's own 2014 Winter Olympics gold medalist Andy Yohe (call 322-2065)... **Dave Falk** – 5th offspring, last daughter, was married last weekend + next weekend all 5 kids + spouses + *their* kids all getting together... **George Coin** – busy in recent weeks attending graduations – at Notre Dame + high schools from Chapel Hill to Minneapolis... **Dr. Tom Olson** – Happy to see his face in the LobsterFest TV spots + taking Dad to the urologist (you'll have to ask Tom what he said next; it was punny)... **Dimy Doresca** – on trade mission last week to Haiti where he found a possible international project for BRC + a Rotary club to work with... **Tim Lane** – attended the latest Honor Flight reception, “and I urge you to do it, too”... **Mark Ross** – thanks to **John DeDoncker** as campaign manager for the primary win – looking forward to the general election campaign for Iowa House seat + congratulations to John whose son graduated from high school and headed off to college orientation... **Decker Ploehn** – Devils Glen should be open next week, so we can get to The Fountains easily... **Brent Wegner** – just became Papa to a little girl.



singing of the day's patriotic song, “God Bless America.” After Moments of

The meeting opened... President Chelsea Powers called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the 4-Way Test. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by **Scott Naumann's** multi-talented laptop, led the

Reflection – during which we learned that **Brent Werner's** mother is battling cancer – and introductions, the song-fest resumed with “Sing Out a Song of Rot'ry,” “Wait Till the Sun Shines, Nellie” and “Happy Birthday, Dear



Rotarians.” Celebrating in June are: 14, Jim Slavens; 17, Ann Kappeler; 22, Tim Lane; 24, Bill Daley; 26, Steve Habenicht; 28, Lisa Brown and Tate Feathersen.



Upcoming meetings...

... Thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, scottn@midlandcom.com, 445-4260:

June 11: Meeting at The Fountains with Miss Iowa 2014 contestants

June 18: LobsterFest roundup and recognition

June 25: Rusty Boruff, www.the180zone.org

July 30: Jodie Kavensky, Norma-Leah Ovarian Cancer Foundation

Aug. 27: Dr. Dennis Marchiori, chancellor of Palmer College of Chiropractic

Missing today...

Adams (40), Arndt (33), Bibik (26), Boeye (30), Bowe (44), Brown (46), Bush (42), Castro (11), Chambers (26), Daley (17), Dobesh (20), Eikenberry (32), Ellstrom (47), Featherstone (23), Franks (34), Gallagher, Sr. (19), Glass (19), Gudgel (30), Hartsock (25),

Hassel (22), Hinton (44), Hipple (31), Kappeler (40), Kellenberger (24), Kennedy (44), Larsen (24), Limberg (28), McWilliams (41), Mannix (28), Marbach, Marvin (32), Nanda (2), Nelson (46), Oswald (30), Salm (37), Sarver (4), Schuler, Schutte (17), Scranton (40), Sherrick (27), Spelhaug (5), Tirone (7), Vollbrecht (38), Willsher (23), Windmiller (19), Worley (47)

Make-ups...

Chuck Mooney's funeral: Glenn Kass, Steve Habenicht, Dr. Tom Olson, Bob Gallagher, Sr., Bob Gallagher, Jr., Diane Ricketts-McCool, Jeff Hassel, Bob Ryken, Tony Calabrese, Ralph Heninger, George Daugherty, Decker Ploehn, David Deuth, Tom Howard, Chelsea Powers, Fred Anderson

Rotary International Convention, Sydney, Australia: Sharon Sarver (2 Make-ups)

International Committee meeting: Dimy Doresca, Dawn Saul, Kristine Stone

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced:

Visiting Rotarian:

Duncan Cameron, Rotary Club of Naples, Fla.

Guests:

Luke Staudt, Edward Jones Financial (Guest of **Tim Lane**)

Marc Heinzman, Niabi Zoo (Speaker)

Patty Herzberg (Guest of **Jean Dickson**)

In attendance were 62 Bettendorf Rotarians, 1 visiting Rotarian and 3 guests.

In other BRC news...



Dimy Doresca, Dawn Saul and Kristine Stone at the International Service Committee meeting June 4. Fred Anderson, Tim Lane and his guest, Luke Staudt, also attended. They learned more about Rotary's new grant management process and discussed several possible projects in Haiti.

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