



**THE  
BETTENDORF  
ROTARY  
CLUB NEWS**  
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club  
March 8, 2017, issue

***Next meeting:***  
Wednesday, March 15, 2017,  
At Tanglewood Pavilion

**Ozzy explores the world of vocational service again**

When Rich “Ozzy” Oswald was on the program schedule (Nov. 30, 2016) to present a program on vocational services, everyone present ended up learning new things about each other. In a sort of “musical tables,” we moved around the room and shared stories of how we became Bettendorf Rotarians.

For the March 15 meeting, Ozzy returns with another fresh look at vocational services. It could be another opportunity to become better acquainted with each other... or maybe something else...

Come and learn!



**Nov. 30, 2016, meeting conversations**

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**A new, QC way of mentoring**

In just five months of existence, a Quad-City non-profit organization, Lead(h)er, whose mission is “to connect young professional women with experienced leaders to fuel career and community engagement,” has already paired some 80 young professional women with community leaders who act as their mentors, said **Melissa Pepper**, the group’s founder and our March 8 speaker.

To meet the dual objectives of propelling the young women’s career and community involvement, Lead(h)er conducts a program called “Strike a Match.” It approaches mentoring in three ways, Melissa said:

→”Our matches are intentional” – both would-be mentors and “mentees” complete a 10-question survey, and their answers help guide the matches.  
 →”We multiply your network” – Lead(h)er members expand their acquaintance with both the QC community and influential established members of it.  
 →”We deliver personalized attention” – again guided by survey results, and after individual training sessions, mentors help their “matches” meet personal goals at this early stage of their time in the QC workforce.

Melissa conceived the idea for Lead(h)er after working at a series of jobs, observing how people interacted in them – and then seeing several close friends leave the QC to work elsewhere. “I wanted to give young women a seat at the table,” she said, at the same time she was helping them “get more involved in the community so they’d want to stay here.”

Melissa is director of marketing and client relations at the Lane & Waterman law firm in Davenport. She and her husband met in the spring of their senior year at Augustana College.

To learn more about Lead(h)er, visit [www.leadherqc.org](http://www.leadherqc.org). The current design is a first attempt, she emphasized – so “come back again” in a couple weeks.

### Special visitors...

→**District 6000 Governor-elect Mike Ruby and JoAnne** visited, from their home club, Muscatine Rotary. BRC is the 51<sup>st</sup> club in the district that the Rubys have visited this year – and they’ll return early this fall, after Mike becomes governor. “You are a very important part of the District 6000 family,” he said. He also promoted attendance at the Rotary



International Conference in June in Atlanta – “just a short drive down the road (compared to recent conferences held overseas). It’s an opportunity to see more than 40,000 delegates from more than 200 nations,” he commented. “You really get the big picture of what Rotary does.”

### Announcements...

→**LobsterFest sponsors, it’s easy to re-up or sign up:**



LobsterFest sponsors from last year – and members, or their companies, that wish to become new sponsors this

year – can do that very easily: Just contact **Secretary Johanna Smith** ([bettendorfrotary@gmail.com](mailto:bettendorfrotary@gmail.com)).

→**Substitute leader next week: President-elect Tim Lane**, freshly returned from training for presidents-elect in District 6000 (plus three other

districts) in Ames, will preside since President Jonna will be away.

➔**New member footnote:** In last week's newsletter, we reported that new member **Larry O'Brien** was Canadian – but neglected to add that, as Larry says, “all four of us in our family [Larry, wife Debbie, daughter Lauren and son Adam] became U.S. citizens in 2006. We are proud to be Americans now!”

### **BRC Happy \$\$...**



**President Jonna** collected **\$135** with special amounts from: **Dick Schillig** – “only 180 days to Labor Day and Run with

Carl” – registration is now open at [www.runwithcarl.com/](http://www.runwithcarl.com/)... **Jim Spelhaug** – while giving a \$100 check (rounding 'way up) for his birthday, he reminded that Happy \$\$ help support 6 \$1,000 scholarships (2 each to seniors from BHS and PVHS and 1 each to a Rivermont Collegiate grad and a Scott CC student going on to university)... **Tim Lane** – kudos to North Scott girls for winning the state basketball title + happy Mike and Jo Anne Ruby are here... **Larry Thein** – happy to coach PeeWee wrestlers at state competition... **Kevin Kraft** – proud of step-daughter and grandson, who appeared on today's “Hoda & Kathy Lee” show on NBC-TV in praise of her clothing company, Rock Your Difference, 20% of whose profits go to kids' health... **President Jonna** – a big “welcome back” to all 3 new members inducted last week.

### **The meeting opened...**

**President Jonna Schuler** welcomed the assembly and led the recitation of the 4-

Way Test. **Tom Howard**, accompanied by **Deana Severs** on the piano, led the



singing of the day's patriotic song, “God Bless America.” President Jonna led the Pledge of Allegiance and Moments of Silence, during which we wished **Dave Deuth** continued recovery.

After introductions, Tom and Deana renewed the songfest with two verses of “The Rotary Bell” and, with a nod to the nearness of St. Patrick's Day, “My Wild Irish Rose.”



### **Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...**

#### **Visiting Rotarians**

Jo Anne Ruby, Muscatine Rotary  
Mike Ruby, Muscatine Rotary and District Governor-Elect 6000

#### **Guests**

Melissa Pepper, Lead(h)er, speaker  
Deana Severs, piano player

In all, 49 Bettendorf Rotarians attended and were joined by 2 guests and 2 visiting Rotarians.



**And at the end...**

... of the meeting, **Jim Spelhaug** won a Happy to Have a Make-up in the drawing from among all those members who participated in *BRC Happy \$\$*.

**Missing today...**

Ashby, Bennett, Boeye, Carroll, Chambers, Coin, G., Coin, H., DeDoncker, Dobesh, Doalnd, Downing, Eikenberry, Elledge, Featherstone, Felsing, Franks, Gallagher, Sr., Gallagher, Jr., Gause, Gross, Habenicht, Hassel, Hill, Hurd, Hutcheson, James, Kappeler, Kraus, Lawrence, Lokenvitz, Loweth, McGimpsey, Marbach, Mickle, Mitvalsky, Mohr, Morrison, Naab, Naeve, Nelson, Ploehn, Powers, Rabine, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Sarver, Saul, Schmit, Scranton, Stone, Thompson, Tombergs, Wells, Werner and Worner

**Make-ups...**

**Rich James**, Summit County, Colo., Rotary (2 meetings)  
Board Meeting: **Lane, Foster, Oswald, Schuler, Smith, Spelhaug, Kraft, Daley** and **Nanda**

**Make up at another QC club...**

Monday, noon: Davenport – The Outing Club  
Monday, noon: Moline –Trinity Lutheran Church, Moline  
Monday, 6 p.m.: QC Illinois – Club Room, HyVee, 7<sup>th</sup> Street & John Deere Road, Moline  
Tuesday, 7:15 a.m.: River Cities – Brothers Restaurant, Rapids City  
Tuesday, noon: Rock Island – QC Botanical Center  
**Wednesday, noon: Bettendorf – Tanglewood Hills Pavilion**

Wednesday, 5 p.m.: Mini Meet – Lunardi’s Restaurant, Davenport  
Thursday, 7 a.m.: Iowa Quad Cities – J-Bar, Elmore Avenue, Davenport  
Thursday, noon: East Moline – Christ United Methodist Church  
Thursday, noon: Milan – Pinnacle Country Club  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 5:30 p.m.: Twin Rivers Rotary After Hours – Bierstube, Moline  
Friday, noon: North Scott – Steeplegate Inn, Davenport

**Upcoming meetings... and more**

... Meeting programs thanks to program chair **Scott Naumann**, [scottn@midlandcom.com](mailto:scottn@midlandcom.com), 445-4260:

**March 15: Rich “Ozzy” Oswald:** Vocational services  
**Saturday, June 10:** **11<sup>th</sup> Annual LobsterFest,** Tanglewood Hills Pavilion



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