



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:

Wednesday, March 22, 2017,
At Tanglewood Pavilion

BFD provides help with fire safety in the home

The March 22 program will focus on fire safety in the home, with **Shane Peitscher**, an 8-year veteran of the Bettendorf Fire Department, sharing his knowledge gained from the department's fire-fighting, home inspection and prevention experience.

Founded in 1908, the BFD covers an area of about 45 square miles, containing property with an assessed value of more than \$3.3 billion in 2009.

With its force of professional and

dedicated volunteer fire fighters, BFD provides the community with:

- Structural and wild-land fire fighting
- Basic and advanced life support
- Fire prevention
- Fire inspection
- Fire investigation
- Plan review
- Hazardous materials disposal
- Rescue capability from high places, water, vehicles, trenches and elevators.



Last meeting:

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Applying Rotary ethics at work

In opening the day's program on vocational service, **Rich "Ozzy" Oswald** drew from Rotary International's guiding principles, which challenge all Rotarians to "aspire to high ethical standards" in their vocation and bring their vocational talents into service to society as well as Rotary.

He emphasized the Rotary Code of Conduct, which sets the standard of acting with integrity..., dealing fairly with others..., using professional skills through Rotary... and avoiding behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary... (see: <file:///C:/Users/Owner/Downloads/200en.pdf>).

Ozzy introduced three members who talked about how they blend Rotary principles into their vocational lives: **Lee Marbach, Sharon Sarver** and **Tim "Chopper" Shea**.

Lee, who serves on the QC Habitat for Humanity Board with Ozzy, is a project manager with Russell Construction.



Many of the projects he has managed – for example, a Veterans Administration facility in Des Moines, a residential facility for Vera French Housing on Devils Glen Road, schools and retirement homes in several communities – provide him the opportunity to see the impact he has on the end-users. In addition, his employer sponsors an annual golf outing that raises funds for charity.



Sharon has served in several capacities as part of the staff of Family Resources, Davenport. With the knowledge gained in those experiences, she now focuses on fundraising as the agency’s grants manager.

Under her guidance, Family Resources has expended both its number of sources of grants and its income from grants, she

said. In the QC and surrounding counties, Family Resources provides services in such diverse areas as shelter for domestic violence victims, adoptions, foster care for children, various types of health care and fighting human trafficking.

Thanks to the influence of Rotary, Chopper said he has experienced a change for the better in the way he conducts business as the QC director of Locals Love Us, which publishes some 100,000 guides and operates a Website to



publicize local consumers’ favorite providers of a wide range of goods and services. Instead of simply selling ad space and compiling lists of client companies to “help people make buying decisions,” Chopper now applies the spirit of Rotary ethics to ask, “How can I change the sales target’s attitude to love what they do?”

One manifestation of that shift is the way he ends a business call: instead of a simple handshake, he gives a hug and a High-5. “The reaction is awesome,” he said – and he feels he has many more friends among his clients.

Announcements...

→ Looking for LobsterFest items:



Gwen Tombergs announced the need for donated items “that can be gathered together to form gift baskets” and larger items that can be bid on during the silent auction.

These sponsors have signed on, as of March 8:

They account for \$23,000 in committed sponsorships (\$16,000 in cash and \$7,000 in in-kind):

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→ **John Deere Classic: Past President Jeff Hassel** started recruiting volunteers – BRC Rotarians, family members,

friends, neighbors, co-workers – to marshal at Our Hole No. 1 of the JDC Wednesday, July 12, to Sunday, July 16. “We need 15-20 marshals for each day,” he said, adding, “You only have to work once, and you get free admission for the whole event.” Jeff will send out an email with more details and signup instructions.

→ **Bettendorf Rotary Foundation: Past President Sharon Sarver** urged members to pledge their support for this second year of the 5-year initiative to grow the club’s endowment funds by \$50,000. This year’s goal is also \$10,000 (we topped that in 2016). **Secretary Johanna Smith** said checks should be payable to the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend (which administers the fund for BRC).

BRC Happy \$\$...

President-elect Tim Lane collected \$214 with special amounts from these exceptionally happy members: **Glenn Dugan** – 61st birthday + celebrating that Northwestern is finally in the NCAA basketball tourney... **Joe Campion** – cheering for the Villanova Wildcats in the Big Dance... **Sharon Sarver** – all the \$\$ in her purse for the Iowa State Cyclones in the NCAA tournament... **Tim Lane** – cheering for the Iowa Hawkeye wrestlers... **Bill Daley** – updating **Dave Deuth** and his recovery: “He’s eager to return as soon as he’s built up immunity”... **Dick Schillig** – 173 days until Run with Carl on Labor Day.

The meeting opened...

President-elect Tim Lane, fresh back from an intensive training session for soon-to-be-presidents, “took (his) training wheels off” and opened the meeting. After leading the 4-Way Test and Pledge of Allegiance, he turned to song leader **Tom Howard** who, led the

singing of the day's patriotic song, "This Is My Country." Tim presided over Moments of Silence, during which we supported **Dave Death** in his recovery.



After introductions, Tom and Deana renewed the songfest, with an Irish accent (for St. Patrick's Day) – "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" and "It's a Good Day for the Irish."

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...

Guests

Deana Severs, piano player
Tim Harrington, State Farm Insurance (**S.K. Nanda** guest)
Cheryl Riley-Hayles, St. Ambrose University (**Gwen Tombergs** guest)
Deana Severs, piano player



In all, 47 Bettendorf Rotarians attended and were joined by 3 guests.

And at the end...

... of the meeting, **Bill Daley** 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., Crist, DeDoncker, Dobesh, Doland, Eikenberry, Elledge, Featherstone, Felsing, Foster, Franks, Gallagher, Sr., Gallagher, Jr., Garlach, Gause, Gross, Habenicht, Hill, Higgs, Hopkins, Hurd, Hutcheson, James, Kellenberger, Kraft, Larsen, Lawrence, Lokenvitz, Love-Sherrick, Loweth, Mannix, Martinez, Mickle, Mitvalsky, Mohr, Naab, Naeve, Naumann, Nelson, Pieart, Ploehn, Powell, Powers, Raso, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Saul, Schmit, Schuler, Scranton, Spelhaug, Stone, Wells, and Werner

Make-ups...

Rich James, Summit County, Colo., Rotary
Larry Thein, Davenport Rotary

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, 7th 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
2nd and 4th 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, 445-4260:

March 22: Shane Peitscher, BFD: home fire safety
Saturday, June 10: **11th Annual LobsterFest, Tanglewood Hills Pavilion**



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