



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
June 28, 2017, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, July 12, 2017,
At Tanglewood Pavilion



**No meeting July 5th – it’s
a “recovery day” after the
July 4th holiday**

**MAD Skills comes to
Rotary on the 12th.**

Mark Drake, the Executive Director of CF YouthHope, will be the guest speaker on July 12th. He will be talking about a program that has proven to be powerful and life-changing for some of the area's troubled youth, and is being kicked off in a new way. Come hear more about MAD Skills (Making a Difference!!!) and how it is changing our youth.

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Tim steps up as Jonna ends '16-17

The “passing of the gavel” from 2016-17 President Jonna Schuler to 2017-18 President Tim Lane was a celebration of the achievements of the year just ending, with thanks to all who made it happen, and a promise of continued excellence in the year ahead.

With thanks to her husband **Shane** and daughter **Brooke** for “putting up with my sometimes crazy schedule,” **Jonna** thanked her Board for “working behind the scenes always with the goal... to better our club, (and) promote service to the community.” And she thanked all the members, borrowing a quote from Helen Keller: “Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.”

Before introducing Tim, Jonna mentioned some of her favorite moments:

→ **Ozzie Oswald's** vocational meeting in which we all had opportunity to learn more about each other

→ The Veterans Day meeting with Col. Jeffrey Zust, the 1st Army command chaplain



→ Awarding more than \$20,000 in grants to QC area charities
→ Rotary Club of Bettendorf's 60th anniversary celebration
→ BRC attending the QC

Symphony Summer Pops for the first time as a group; the next one is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 19

→ The new-member Betten-do project to paint the Tanglewood Pavilion deck, for which she thanked **Rick Bormann**

→ The addition, by BRC, of five sets of chimes to Rotary Row at Faye's Field

→ The highly successful LobsterFest, which realized a 26% increase in net revenue over 2016

Bridging to her introduction of Tim, Jonna closed with a quote from Henry Ford: "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

For his part, Tim vowed to continue the club's traditions in informative programs and projects that serve the community. Fresh from the District 6000 conference, he quoted 2016-17 District Gov. Chris Knapp saying this district is "No. 1 in Rotary."

"Bettendorf Rotary is the best club in District 6000," Tim continued. "So we must be No. 1 in the world."



Tim introduced his wife Carrie, mentioned their three daughters and unveiled the 2017-18 RI President Ian Risely's theme: "Rotary: Making a Difference." He described how working within Rotary has expanded his world and his sense of service to it: "I have a deeper appreciation for the work Rotary does – in the Quad Cities, in Iowa, and reaching to Haiti, Jamaica and beyond. It's far more than the 106 of us."

He introduced the 2017-18 BRC Board, giving special thanks to **Kevin Kraft**, who leaves the board after his year as Past President, and Jonna, who takes his place.

For a few minutes, Tim turned the mic over to Past Dist. Gov. **Bill Tubbs**, who brought Tim into Rotary – the North Scott club – some 18 years ago. Bill presented Kevin and Jonna with district awards earned during their presidencies: → Jonna received membership-related awards for maintaining and growing the size of BRC's membership, and a Governor's Citation for achieving all of the governor's goals for clubs this year.



→To Kevin, two awards from the Rotary Foundation – for achieving 100% support for the foundation by BRC members, whose contributions averaged \$100, and for contributing \$15,000 to Polio Plus

As time expired Tim promised more details of his plans for the club during 2017-18.

Announcements...

→**Still a few more JDC marshals:** To completely fill our roster of volunteer marshals for *our* hole No. 1 at the John Deere Classic, **Jeff Hassel** still needs a few more for Friday, July 14, and Saturday, July 15. Members, family members, friends or neighbors can volunteer.



To register, follow this link to the signup: <https://events.trustevent.com/templates/index.cfm?fuseaction=templates.home&eid=2564>. Once logged in, choose “Marshalling hole #1.” It will ask for a security code – Bettendorf Rotary.

→Announcing the 2017 Lobstars: Ann Kappeler and Secretary Johanna Smith

thanked all of the members who made the 2017 LobsterFest such a success. They especially thanked the “Lobstars”:



- Our weekly hosts, **Donna and Julie**, who made every aspect of Tanglewood Hills work so well
- President Jonna Schuler, President-elect Tim Lane, Gwen Tombergs, Secretary Johanna Smith and Penny McGimpsey** – the event core committee, all of whom will repeat their leadership next year (planning begins next month)
- Larry O’Brien, Tom Mielnik and Phil Dunbridge** – Rookie Lobstars, who took on jobs as if they had been working at LobsterFest for years
- Susie Stark** (sister of **Gwen Tombergs**) – who was an equal partner in the success of auction baskets
- Carl Loweth and Joe Pacha** – “the go-to guys for logistics”
- Harry Coin** – became Johanna’s “other right hand” in final days of prep – and again ensured the arrival of the pies
- Todd Ashby** – printing of the tickets
- Scott Naumann** – Louie the Mobster Lobster, “official greeter” of the event
- Mike Mickle** and Mickle Communications – excellent promotions
- Kurt Lokenvitz** – the programs, from gathering sponsors’ info to printing
- Decker Ploehn** – “the most amazing emcee in the QC,” who kept the auctions’ bidding going beyond \$30,000
- Brent Werner** – furnished and set up the fans inside the tent

→**Steve Pieart** – collected, cut and



polished all the wine bottles used to identify and candle-light every table

→**Kevin Kraft** – keeping everything on track, and “dealing with issues”

→**Kaye LeBeau** – who helps every year,

before, during and even during cleanup

→**Rich James** – go-between with HyVee

→**Chef James Proestler** – who made it look easy cooking 350 lobsters and many steaks



→**Miss Iowa crowned:**

We met her last week when she sang a powerful operatic aria. Last Saturday **Chelsea Dubczak**, 23, of Urbandale, was crowned Miss Iowa 2017.

President Jonna read a thank-you letter from her.

BRC Happy \$\$...

President **Jonna Schuler** collected \$204 with extra \$\$ from: **John Sherrick** – thanks for prayers: “I thought I had flu but it turned out to be a heart attack, but I’m well now”... **Tom Mielnik** – visited youngest daughter in Washington, D.C.... **Ann Kappeler** – happy her Mom, 95, could raise the flag and lead the Pledge of Allegiance at Ridgecrest, where she lives... **Brad Morrison** – a Midwest Pipe-band champ... **Kevin Kraft** – daughter-in-law brought a new member into the family, who arrived a bit premie, but OK... **Bill Daley** – \$51 for

that birthday + daughter headed to Iowa State... **Decker Ploehn** – Middle Road construction shifts on July 5, but Spruce Hills will be open for the July 4th festival... **Paul Scranton** –riding with JDC players on the jet to Scotland... **Dr. Tom Olson** – the Middle Road construction will get done fast, since Decker’s wife works nearby... **Carl Loweth** – 53rd wedding anniversary

The meeting opened...

President Jonna Schuler opened the final meeting of her presidency and led the recitation of the 4-Way Test. Song leader **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Gail Baldwin**, led the singing of “This Is My Country.” Jonna returned and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Moments of Silence, during which we remembered **Dave Deuth** as he recovers from illness and our troops.

After introductions by **Secretary Johanna Smith**, Tom and **Dick Hanzelka** (with Gail’s accompaniment) led the singing of a medley with an Independence Day flavor: “Yankee Doodle Dandy,” “Harrigan” and “You’re a Grand Old Flag.”

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...

Visiting Rotarian

Bill Tubbs, past District 6000 governor and North Scott Rotary

Guests

Gail Baldwin, pianist

Shane Schuler, guest of **Jonna Schuler**

Brooke Schuler, guest of **Jonna Schuler**

Carrie Lane, guest of **Tim Lane**

Tom Kock, Upper Iowa University, guest of

John Rabine

Susie Stark, guest of **Gwen Tombergs**

In all, 48 Bettendorf Rotarians attended and were joined by 7 guests and 1 visiting Rotarian.



And at the end...

... of the meeting, **Carl Loweth** (for the second week in a row) won the “Happy to Have a Make-up” in the drawing from among all those members who shared their

happiness and some extra \$\$ in this week’s *BRC Happy \$\$*.

Missing today...

Ashby, Boeye, Champion, Carroll, Coin, G., DeDoncker, Dobesh, Dugan, Dunbridge, Eikenberry, Elledge, Featherstone, Franks, Gallagher, Sr., Gallagher, Jr., Garlach, Gause, Habenicht, Hassel, Hill, Howard, A., Hurd, Hutchison, Kellenberger, Kraus, Larsen, McGimpsey, Mannix, Marbach, Martinez, Meyers, Mickle, Mitvalsky, Mohr, Nanda, Naumann, Nelson, Oswald, Pacha, Powell, Powers, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Sarver, Schillig, Schmit, Schwab, Shea, Slavens, Thompson, Wells, Werner, Windmiller and Worner

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:



July 5: Independence Day Recovery – no meeting
July 12: President Tim Lane will be absent; **Past-president Jonna Schuler** will preside
July 19: Scott County Sheriff Tim Lane
July 26: President Tim Lane will be absent
Saturday, Aug. 19: Rotary Night at the Riverfront Pops concert by Quad City Symphony; Tribute to the Beatles: 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 6: District Gov. Mike Ruby and wife Jo Anne visit
Sept. 13: No regular meeting: Golf Outing/steak fry at Palmer Hills Golf Club
Nov. 22: Thanksgiving Holiday – no meeting
Dec. 27: Christmas Day Recovery (potentially no meeting, or Club Social)
June 9, 2018: Tentative LobsterFest date
June 27, 2018: Gavel passing

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