



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Aug. 2, 2017, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2017,
At Tanglewood Pavilion

Fire & Burn Foundation's camp aids young victims

St. Florian Fire and Burn Foundation was founded in 1993 by nurses at the St. Luke's Burn Center, Sioux City, Iowa, and the Sioux City Professional Fire Fighters Union local. Its purpose is to reduce injuries and deaths from burn trauma. In 1995 St. Florian helped create the Miracle Burn Camp at East Lake Okoboji. In 1996, the University of Iowa Burn Treatment Center joined the camp.

In Bettendorf, two members of the Bettendorf Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Department have become involved, and they will tell us more about it at the Aug. 9 meeting:



→**Andy Sheehan**, a firefighter/EMT, volunteered as a Miracle Burn Camp counselor in 2014, and was elected to the St. Florian Board in 2015.



→**Steve Knorrek**, assistant fire chief/fire marshal, was introduced to St Florian during preparation for a 2012 burn education trip to Zambia by a team of medical personnel and firefighters.

Last meeting:
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A look inside city plans for future

Two top officials of Bettendorf city government – **Bill Connors**, director of community development, and **Jeff Reiter**, director of economic development, provided an update of Bettendorf's Comprehensive Plan during the Aug. 2 meeting.

The “roadmap to the future” is the result of 18 months of work by city officials, citizens and consultants in community and economic development, Bill told us. The plan guides moves the city makes, decisions it takes and serves as the legal basis for updating city ordinances, he said.

The latest plan lays out future land use areas (e.g., residential, commercial and industrial), future streets and recreation trails, various population density areas and other characteristics of both current

neighborhoods and – for the first time – development north of I-80. Among other developments, the plan envisions:

→5,300 new jobs by the year 2040, chiefly in office, warehouse-distribution and retail – with areas for manufacturing growth less available

→A shift in housing patterns gradually away from a high percentage of single-family homes to more multi-family units

→Maintenance and expansion of quality of life attractions, such as recreation facilities, excellent schools, well maintained utilities and art in even more public places

Jeff provided a detailed look at the Downtown Master Plan – what will emerge after the massive disruptions caused by the I-74 bridge project. After all of the land acquisition and preliminary changes, actual work on the bridge has begun this summer, Jeff reported. The bridge will open in 2020 with final work finished the following year.



Meanwhile, work progresses throughout the downtown area to enhance what's still there and attract new business, residential, commercial and recreational activity there, he said. Happening now and going into the future, the area will encompass:

→Upgraded appearance standards for existing buildings (with a vigorous “façade” program to upgrade their look) and guidelines for ensure new buildings meet high standards

→A “walkable” atmosphere with easy access to commercial and entertainment sites from current and future living

spaces, street-level art and inviting street-scapes.

→Amenities will include a new urban park, a river-side pedestrian promenade, more green space

Jeff punctuated his remarks with photos of existing and imminent upgrades in downtown business facades, landscaping and amenities. Soon, he said, an eye-sore motel will be razed to make space for a high-rise that will house lofts, 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom apartments.

All together, more than \$1 billion is being invested in producing a new downtown Bettendorf, he said.

Announcements...

→**BRC Summer Pops Social: Harry Coin** announced that 51 of the 150 tickets needed for the QC Symphony Orchestra to erect a reserved-space tent



QUAD CITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
100 YEARS

near the entrance to LeClaire Park for the Symphony’s Summer Pops Concert featuring music of The Beatles. So we still need commitments to purchase 99 more tickets to get the big tent and \$16 reduced-price tickets for the Saturday, Aug. 19, event. To reserve tickets – for yourself, spouse, other family members or friends – contact Harry (hgcoin@gmail.com), President Tim (tim.lane@edwardjones.com) or Secretary Johanna ([Johanna M Smith@hotmail.com](mailto:Johanna_M_Smith@hotmail.com)).

➔ **New Board member: President Tim** said BRC still is accepting nominees to fill the Board vacancy resulting from the departure of “Ozzie” Oswald from the club. Contact **President Tim** (tim.lane@edwardjones.com) with the name of a nominee – including yourself; the next monthly Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 8.

BRC Happy \$\$...

President Tim Lane collected **\$236** with special amounts of happiness from: **Jerry Felsing** – birthday this month + back from a good vacation... **Dawn Saul** – contribute to the First Day School Supplies drive – every school system has one... **Sue Mannix** – the Bettendorf Public Library’s summer reading program has ended – and she’s happy she had to order more prizes than planned for the young readers... **Dick Schillig** – at



Mom’s 96th birthday last week + 33 days until Run with Carl and Labor Day – register at www.runwithcarl.com ... **Carl Loweth** –

enjoyed “Hamilton” in Chicago last week – thanks to all who put the LobsterFest package together... **Dr. Tom Olson** – showed off his Lake Geneva Rotary banner + happy Carl enjoyed staying at Chicago’s Union League Club + thanks to all Bix-7 volunteers... **Decker Ploehn** – Spruce Hills Drive project has finished repairs; milling and paving are next + eventually, Middle Road project will see the same steps... **Dr. Tom** (again – did he pay twice?) – “Think I’ll change my clinic name to ‘Spruce Hills Dental – Spruce Up Your Smile’”... **Tim Lane** – recalled a romantic evening in Rome last week: dancing until late in the evening at a rooftop bar overlooking Trevi Fountain.

The meeting opened...



President Tim Lane welcomed the assembly 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.” Tim led the Pledge of Allegiance

and Moments of Silence, during which we remembered our troops, area families struggling with difficult issues, and children as they return to school.

After introductions by **Secretary Johanna Smith**, Tom and Gail returned and led the singing of “A Helping Hand” (two verses), “Smile; Sing a Song” and, because it’s the first meeting of August, “Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians.”

This month’s birthdays: 04, Steve Sorensen; 08, Dick Hanzelka; 09, Penny McGimpsey; 12, Jerry Felsing; 14, Diane Ricketts-McCool, Michael Raso; 22, Dawn Saul; 27, Joe Campion

Secretary Johanna Smith introduced...

Visiting Rotarian

Ken Beck, Davenport Rotary

Guests

Gail Baldwin, pianist

Jeff Reiter, City of Bettendorf (speaker)

Bill Connors, City of Bettendorf (speaker)

Rob Spykstra, Morningstar Academy (**John Rabine** guest)

Chris Gibney (**Larry O’Brien** guest)

Jane Johnson, QC Buy Local (**Laurie Hutcheson** guest)

In all, 51 Bettendorf Rotarians attended and were joined by 6 guests and 1 visiting Rotarian.



And at the end...

... of the meeting, **Dick Schillig** won the “Happy to Have a Make-up” in the drawing from among all those members who shared their happiness in this week’s *BRC Happy* \$\$.

Missing today...

Ashby, Bennett, Blaske, Boeye, Bormann, Chambers, Dobesh, Doland, Dunbridge, Eikenberry, Featherstone, Gallagher, Jr., Garlach, Gause, Gross, Hassel, Hill, Higgs, Hurd, Kappeler, Kellenberger, Larsen, Marbach, Martinez, Mickle, Mitvalsky, Mohr, Morrison, Naab, Naeve, Nelson, Powell, Powers, Raso, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Sarver, Schmit, Schuler, Schwab, Scranton, Shea, Thein, Thompson, and Tombergs

Make-ups...

Harry Coin, Iowa QC 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:



Aug. 9: yet to come

Saturday, Aug. 19:

Rotary Night at the Riverfront Pops concert by Quad City

Symphony; Tribute to the Beatles: 7 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

June 9, 2018: Tentative LobsterFest date

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