



**THE
BETTENDORF
ROTARY
CLUB NEWS**
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Sept. 20, 2017, issue

Next meeting:
Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017,
At Palmer Hills Golf Course



UnityPoint Health
Trinity

**We'll learn more about
Trinity Health Foundation**

The scheduled speaker for our Sept. 27 meeting is **Elyce Billany** of UnityPoint Health, Trinity Health Foundation.

According to the foundation's Website, "Each year, thousands of Quad Cities residents donate to help Trinity with their most urgent needs. This includes things such as fetal monitors for the BirthPlace, education for new requirements for healthcare professionals, and equipment upgrades so we have the latest technology for our patients and you."

During 2016, the site reports, the foundation raised "more than \$1.5 million for the Bettendorf BirthPlace expansion."

Unity Point Health / Trinity operates two Iowa hospitals, in Bettendorf and Muscatine, in addition to its Illinois QC locations.

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**For dinner+show
try the Black Box**

Former member **Lora Adams**, of QC Public TV station WQPT, began her program at the Sept. 20 meeting by picking up her frequent BRC role:

"And now, the news," she began, and then reported three items from the day's, um, "less-reported news" file – including something about a German guy and lifting weights that, well, led her to comment, "Maybe that's why you don't have a news report at meetings anymore."

Besides a mini-reunion with BRC friends, Lora visited to update us on her new venture (besides Public Television): Always active in theatre, she is a force behind the Quad Cities' newest performance venue, The Black Box Theatre, 1623 5th Ave., Moline.

She described the job of transforming a formerly vacant space into a theatre with tiered seating for an audience of 60, a wide stage and two new handicapped-accessible bathrooms. Its first productions were staged earlier this year.

The Black Box's new season will include productions of "Sleuth," "The Putnam County Spelling Bee" and "It's a Wonderful Life" staged as a radio play. Performances are on weekend evenings, "so you can come to downtown Moline, have dinner at a nearby restaurant, enjoy a play – and never have to re-park your car," Lora said.

You can learn more about upcoming attractions and order tickets at www.TheBlackBoxTheatre.com.

New-member induction (part 2)...

Their inductions abbreviated two weeks ago, today we learned more from:

→**Tom Kook:** Upper Iowa University QC Center director, Tom graduated from Iowa State (Go Cyclones!) and earned a master's degree from Ashford University. He and his wife Sara have been married 19



years and are the parents of four North Scott School System students.

→**Rob Spykstra:** Headmaster of Morning Star Academy, Rob and his wife

Tamra are parents of three adult sons and a daughter in Davenport schools. Rob served as a pastor in Colorado, Nebraska and at Yellowstone Park before moving into classical Christian education.



Announcements...

→**Dictionary distribution: Jim Spelhaug** announced that BRC's

distribution of dictionaries to every 4th grader in the City of Bettendorf is scheduled for the two weeks Monday, Oct. 16 – Friday, Oct. 27. He'll circulate a list of schools at next week's meeting, but he said, if you want to present to a specific school, you can email him before then

(spelhaugjim@pleasval.k12.ia.us).



→**BRC Charitable Grants: President Tim Lane** noted that applications are open for the next round of Bettendorf Rotary Charitable Grants. He encouraged members to notify not-for-profit organizations in the community to visit the Bettendorf Rotary Website – <http://www.bettendorffrotary.com/rotarygrants> – and fill out the online form by the Oct. 1 deadline. All the details of the program are at that location. The club will announce the new grant recipient organizations and projects in January 2018. Funds for the grants come from the proceeds of the club's annual LobsterFest, held each June.



S.K. Nanda and his Golf Outing guest, former member Tom Ahlstrand, enjoyed the music during the after-golf steak fry.

➔ **Annual Golf Outing:** Carol Foster thanked all who attended last week's Gold Outing and Steak Fry, especially other members of the event committee – **Tim Lane, Dr. Julie Meyers, Chris Carroll and Rick Bormann** – and the hole sponsors (see below).

She announced the winning teams:

➔ **Winning Overall:** Dave Falk, Mike McCool, Joe Pacha and Decker Ploehn (18 under par)

➔ **Second Flight:** Kevin Kraft, Joe Champion, Jim Kappeler and Shane Schuler

➔ **Mixed Flight:** Carol Foster, Steve Foster, Ann Kitzman and Barb Kitzman

Hole sponsors:

- UBS – **Kevin Kraft**
- Steve's Mirror and Glass
- State Farm – **Larry Thein**
- RJS and Associates
- Riverbend Signworks
- Olson Family Dental – **Tom Olson, DDS**
- McGinnis Chambers Funeral Home
- McGimpsey Trucking and Excavating
- Locals Love Us
- LiveWell Chiropractic and Wellness
- Kevin Walker Photography
- Gallagher, Millage, Gallagher
- GalaxyOne
- Edward Jones Investments – **Tim Lane**
- Duck Creek Tire
- Doland Jewelers – **Will Doland**

➔ **World Bicycle Relief:** **DG Mike Ruby** introduced the World Bicycle Relief program to purchase bicycles for rural Zambia when he visited the club two weeks ago. **President Tim** said BRC will contribute \$2,000 to the project and he thanked all Rotarians who donate individual amounts. He said individual donors should make checks payable to "World Bicycle Relief" and give them to **President Tim** or **Secretary Johanna Smith** by the Oct. 1 deadline.



Scott Naumann got a close-up look at one of the bikes during the Aug. 30 meeting.

➔ **Davenport Rotary Wingfest and Raffle:** **President Tim** announced the Davenport Rotary's fundraiser to benefit construction of the fully handicapped-accessible Miracle Field is scheduled for 3-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at Prairie Heights Park (more information at: <http://davenportrotary.org/>).

BRC Happy \$\$...

President Tim Lane collected \$160 with some special amounts from: **Jeff "Boomer" Hill** – been busy, sorry to have been absent so long... **Gary Mohr** – expecting to become a 3-at-once

grandpa... **Mike Mickle** – visited **Dave Deuth** and pleased to report he’s doing well at home, but still building up his immunity... **Larry Thein** – appreciated how fun the Golf Outing was, and glad to be a sponsor... **Jim Slavens** – drove 3,200 miles to go fishing in Colorado – and appreciates the QC more after driving so many miles of nothing scenery... **Carol Foster** – ribbon-cutting at 5:30 next Wednesday afternoon at the sensory path at Handicapped Development Center, which a BRC grant helped build... **Dawn Saul** – going to become a Big Brothers Big Sisters lunch buddy + says there’s a need for male BBBS volunteers (contact her for more info: saulda@mail.davenport.k12.ia.us)... **Jonna Schuler** – daughter Paige presided over Fall Engineering Fair at Iowa State – and got some job interviews as a result... (about to be member) **Dr. Lyn Cochrane** – thanks for welcoming her + 6-month anniversary + promo for Scott Community College Bash 2017 (to raise scholarship funds), 5-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, at the Waterfront Convention Center (for information or tickets: <http://www.eicc.edu/alumni-and-giving/scc-foundation/board/news/scc-bash-2017.aspx>)... **Kevin Kraft** – glad Lora Adams is here to give today’s program... **Craig Windmiller** – got a text from Rich James in Colorado – he says hi... **Tim Lane** – thanks to **Jim Slavens** for a fun Mississippi River boat ride – and Jim says it’s not too late for others to get one.



The meeting opened...
President Tim Lane called the meeting to order, and led the recitation of the 4-Way Test and the Pledge of Allegiance. Song leader **Tom Howard**, accompanied by

pianist **Tewanta Lopez**, led the singing of the day’s patriotic song, “This Is My Country.”

Tim returned to lead Moments of Silence, during which we remembered our troops, victims of Hurricane Maria and members of the Bettendorf community.

After introductions by **Bill Daley**, Tom and Tewanta returned to lead the singing of two verses of “A Helping Hand” and “When You’re Smiling.”

Bill Daley, filling in for Secretary Johanna Smith, introduced...

Visiting Rotarian

Steve Suiter, North Scott Rotary

Guests

Tewanta Lopez, pianist

Alessandro loMaestro, Rotary Exchange student (Pleasant Valley High School) from Barre, Italy, guest of **Harry Coin**

Satch Nanda, guest of **S.K. Nanda**

Lora Adams, speaker

Grishma Arumugam, guest of **Johanna Smith**

In all, 45 Bettendorf Rotarians, plus 1 visiting Rotarian and 6 guests, attended.



And at the end...

... of the meeting, **Mike Mickle** 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* \$\$.

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
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Sept. 27: Elyce
Billany, UnityPoint
Health, Trinity Health
Foundation
Nov. 8: Special
Veterans Day program
Nov. 22: Thanksgiving
Holiday – no meeting
June 9, 2018:
Tentative LobsterFest
date

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<https://www.rotary.org/>