



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
Oct. 11, 2017, issue

Next meeting:

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017,
At Tanglewood Hills Pavilion

The Rotary spotlight is on youth and education

The Oct. 18 meeting focuses on one of Bettendorf Rotary’s most important service areas – education for youth. Our superintendent duo, **Mike Raso** of Bettendorf Schools and **Jim Spelhaug** of Pleasant Valley Schools (also our Youth Services chair), are in charge.



Mike will lead the presentations from the Bettendorf students who attended Iowa’s

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Academy) last summer.

Jim will be in charge of the presentation by Alessandro lo Maestro, the Rotary Youth Exchange student who is studying at PVHS this year.

In addition, the most recent Rotary Scholarship recipient at Scott Community College may be able to attend – and get to meet our newest member, **Dr. Lyn Cochran**, SCC president.

All of this is happening in the same week that Bettendorf Rotarians are beginning to present dictionaries to all of the 4th graders in the community.

Last meeting:

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017



Kelli Fiegley and Doug Miller of Fresh Films

Fresh Films helps kids learn filming

The film studio called Fresh Films, which recently relocated from Chicago to Augustana College, has as its mission to teach kids the skills needed for a career in film and video production, said **Kelli Fiegley**, managing director, at the Oct. 11 meeting.

“Imagine a film set where teens replace the pros,” she said. That is the essence of the Fresh Film approach to exposing kids “to STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) career possibilities” as they “build confidence”

and “realize the capabilities” of working in film and video production.

Kelli and her husband Estlin founded Fresh Films nine years ago, she said, in one of the poorest, most dangerous schools in Chicago – and their lives lit up, she said. They brought the program to Augustana to expand into a more academic setting, and broaden to involve more youth in the experience. On the sets of real movie and TV productions, she explained, “kids apprentice to pros, aided by college interns.”

Since coming to the QC, Fresh Films has expanded from the production setting into in-school programming such as one-day workshops taking kids “script-to-screen”; assemblies to explore career opportunities; and college internships and more at Augustana. They’re working on the curriculum for a 5-year pilot program at Bettendorf High School.

More information is available at www.fresh-films.com; Kelli’s email address is kelli@fresh-films.com.

Doug Miller introduced Kelli. He has worked with the Feigleys, and has been instrumental in making Hollywood aware of the possibilities of filming in Iowa - and bringing major productions, such as “Field of Dreams” and “The Bridges of Madison County” to the state.

Induction of new member...

➔**Dr. Lyn Cochran**, president of Scott Community College, has been attending meetings for several weeks, and now it’s official. A native of Sioux City (“on Iowa’s west coast”), Lyn earned degrees at Coe College, Norte Dame and Iowa State and held several other positions in higher education administrations before



arriving at SCC. Wed on last St. Patrick’s Day to Doug, she said she became stepmom to three adult stepsons, and she added two Schnauzers to their household.

Before presiding over the induction, **S.K. Nanda** offered a “Rotary Minute”: This is the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Foundation, which began with \$26.89 and has grown to more than half a billion dollars, with which Rotary funds projects world-wide.

Announcements...

➔**Dictionary distribution: Jim Spelhaug** said beginning next week, and continuing into the following week, Bettendorf Rotarians will present dictionaries to the nearly 900 4th graders in Bettendorf’s public and private schools. He noted directions and presentation details had been emailed to volunteers.

➔**New member project: Larry O’Brien** outlined this year’s new member project – the planting of trees at two Bettendorf parks. Beginning at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, Rotarians – any



member with a shovel or a rake (participation isn't limited to new members) – will begin planting 28 trees at Edgewood Park (parking

entrance in the 1400 block of 23rd Street) and 8 trees at Veterans Memorial Park, next to the band shell (entrances at 23rd and 25th streets). Encouraging signups, Larry quoted “an ancient Chinese proverb”: “The best time to plant a tree was 25 years ago – the next best time is Oct. 28.”

➔**Library Foundations fundraiser:**

Ann Kappeler had barely begun to talk about the Bettendorf Public Library Foundation’s fundraiser (with help from the Bettendorf Rotary Foundation) – which is slated for 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at Tanglewood Hills Pavilion –

when a somewhat familiar trench-coat-clad man interrupted her.

“Of all the Rotary joints in the world...,” the Bogart-inspired denizen of Casablanca began. It soon became obvious that he also was eager to invite witnesses to help solve the comedic homicide at an event called



“Rock into Murder” (during dinner, no less). Eventually, Ann restored order –

and explained that tickets are still available to witness **Scott Naumann** and his sleuths solve that murder. To order tickets – at \$75 / \$520 for a table of 8 – contact Ann at

Annkappeler1950@gmail.com.

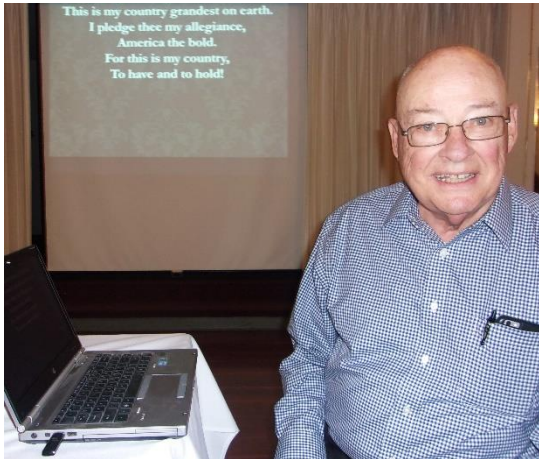
BRC Happy \$\$...

President Tim Lane collected \$177 as he presided over the sharing of happy news from: **Bill Daley** – \$5 for his shameless plug of Abbey Carpeting + announcing his move back to Bettendorf... **Fred Anderson** – two numbers – 38-31, the biggest upset of the collegiate football season (amid murmurs of “Go Cyclones!” from the most enlightened members)... **Lee Marbach** – 9th wedding anniversary... **Dr. Lyn Cochran** – an invitation to hear China expert Dr. Alan Baker speak on Oct. 25, or enjoy the Halloween Howl on campus (before “Rock into Murder”) on Oct. 26... **Mayor Bob Gallagher** – announced that the BettPlex sports complex, at Middle and Forest Grove roads, has secured a partner to build a family entertainment center there... **Tom Kook** – 39th birthday + Go Cyclones!... **Tim Lane** – in the wake of the BettPlex announcement, “It’s exciting to be part of this community”... **Decker Ploehn** – going to be gone next week to attend national meeting of city managers organization, where Bettendorf will receive one of five awards to cities that are most involved in public safety.

The meeting opened...

The bell sounded. **President Tim Lane** called the meeting to order, and led the recitation of the 4-Way Test. Song leader **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Tewanta Lopez**, led the singing of “This Is My Country.”

Tim returned and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Moments of Silence, during which we remembered our troops; **Dave Deuth**, who was reported cancer-free with just two more immunity-enhancing shots to go; and friends of Bettendorf Rotary needing special support.



After introductions by **Secretary Johanna Smith**, Tom (with the song words projected on-screen) and Tewanta returned to lead the singing of “Sing Out a Song of Rot’ry” and “This Land Is Your Land.”

Secretary Johanna Smith, introduced...

Visiting Rotarian

Mark Carlson, Moline Rotary

Guests

Tewanta Lopez, pianist

Kelli Feigley, Fresh Films, speaker

Doug Miller, Fresh Films, speaker

In all, 46 Bettendorf Rotarians, 3 guests and 1 visiting Rotarian attended.

Missing today...

Arumugam, Ashby, Blaske, Boeye, H. Coin, Downing, Dunbridge, Early, Eikenberry, Franks, Gallagher Sr., Garlach, Gause, Gross, Habenicht, Hassel, Hill, Higgs, Kraft, Kraus, Larsen, Lawrence, Love-Sherrick, Loweth, Mannix, Martinez, Mickle, Mitvalsky, Mohr,

Morrison, Naab, Naeve, Nelson, Paplinski, Partridge, Piart, Powell, Powers, Raso, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Sarver, Schneden, Schuler, Scranton, Seemann, Slavens, Sorenson, Spykstra, Thein, Thompson, Wells, Windmiller, Worner

And at the end...

... of the meeting, **Bill Daley** 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-ups...

Dick Schillig, Iowa Quad Cities

Board meeting: **Schuler, Lane, Bormann, Smith, Foster, Nanda, Daley, Spelhaug** and **Dobesh**



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,
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Oct. 18: Mike Raso,
Jim Spelhaug: RYLA
students, Rotary
Exchange student...
and more
Nov. 8: Special
Veterans Day program
Nov. 22: Thanksgiving
Holiday – no meeting
June 9, 2018:
Tentative LobsterFest
date

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