



**THE  
BETTENDORF  
ROTARY  
CLUB NEWS**  
Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club  
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***Next meeting:***

Noon Wednesday, April 25, 2018  
At Tanglewood Hills Pavilion

**Spotlight falls on Iowa managed care program**

The scheduled speaker for our April 25 meeting is Jerry Foxhoven, director of the Iowa Department of Human Services, who will address the status of managed care in the state. He was confirmed as DHS director last month, amid a number of controversies.

The *Des Moines Register* reported at the time of his confirmation: “Foxhoven, a lawyer known for his advocacy for children and families, was appointed DHS director in June... He replaced former DHS Director Charles Palmer, a career human services administrator whose agency had repeatedly come under fire for its handling of child abuse cases and the state’s shift to private management of iMedicaid.

“Foxhoven, 65, began practicing law in 1977 and was extensively involved in juvenile and family law cases until 2000, when he began as administrator for the Iowa Child Advocacy Board. He also oversaw Iowa’s Court Appointed Special Advocate and Citizen Foster Care Review Board programs.”

***Last meeting:***  
Wednesday, April 18, 2018



**A look inside QC jobs challenges**

**Christine Caves** didn’t use a microphone at the April 18 meeting as she talked about solving challenges facing the Quad Cities’ workforce. She didn’t need to – her enthusiasm carried her message throughout the room.

And as an employment and training counselor at both IowaWORKS (or Iowa Workforce Development) and at the Eastern Iowa Community Colleges, she is in the right places at the right time to have a positive impact.

She spoke of the urgency in the QC “to provide work-seekers of all ages” the necessary education or training to get a job – or a better one.

From her position at the nexus of the needs of QC business and industry, and the many types of post-high school education and training, Christine provides help in such varied areas as:

- Financial aid to job-seekers for tuition, books, child-care, transportation and many other expenses incurred to gain specific skills
- Programs for both youth (under age 24) and adults to help them earn an associate degree, obtain professional certification, enter apprenticeships or otherwise upgrade their job qualifications
- Monitoring of the technical skills that QC-area businesses and industries need – so she can help guide youths toward careers where jobs exist right now

She is involved in many existing groups and events, such as career expos, aimed at solving workforce challenges both broadly and in specific vocational areas.

In conclusion, she said, “Let’s be intentional – we’re going to make some stuff happen this year!”

### Announcements...

→ **Plant trees:** Volunteers are still needed to help plant trees the morning of Saturday, April 28, and **Carol Foster** set signup sheets on all tables. Volunteers will gather at Veterans Memorial Park, near the band shell, and travel to where the trees will be planted. Contact Carol ([carolfoster@hdcmail.org](mailto:carolfoster@hdcmail.org)) or **President Tim** ([tim.lane@edwardjones.com](mailto:tim.lane@edwardjones.com)) to sign up.



→ **All-QC Rotary event: Bill Daley** met with members from all QC Rotary clubs, who are planning to attend the QC River Bandits baseball game as a group the evening of Thursday, July 19.



A block of seats has been reserved down the first-base line. Half of the \$8 admission ticket price for each Rotarian will go towards the QC Rotary-sponsored Miracle Field project.

→ **District 6000 Conference report: Megan Early**

reported that a highlight of her very first district conference focused on the district-wide project to purchase bicycles to aid transportation and economic development in emerging countries. She also was greatly impressed with the enthusiasm of a 20-year-old “ambassador of Rotary.”



For **President Tim Lane**, a highlight was seeing **Ann Kappeler** honored as a recipient of the Paul Hellwege Integrity Award.





→”Grunts” volunteer for LobsterFest:

**Ann Kappeler** called for volunteers (somebody – who shall remain anonymous – said, “Just call ’em grunts”) to help move LobsterFest equipment and supplies from storage at Abbey Carpet Gallery to the Fest site on the Tuesday before the June 9 event. A number of hands rose into the air.

President Tim asked all members who have signed on as sponsors to coordinate their seat reservations with **Penny McGimpsey** ([pmcg0809@gmail.com](mailto:pmcg0809@gmail.com)) soon to avoid the last-minute rush and make any unused sponsor tickets available to the public.

He also urged sponsors to give top priority to coordinating their ads for the program booklet with **Kurt Lokenvitz** ([KurtL@Hertz.ag](mailto:KurtL@Hertz.ag)).

Here are the LobsterFest sponsors who have already signed on:

**Co-Presenting Sponsorw**  
Triumph Community Bank  
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**Gold Sponsors**

Café Express (Chef James)  
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Tanglewood Hills Pavilion

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## **BRC Happy \$\$...**

**President Tim Lane** collected \$354 with special expressions of happiness from: **Brad Morrison** – happy about **Gwen**



**Tombergs** and all she's done to coordinate the QC Big Table meetings across the community this Friday and Saturday; "Go to at least one," he urged... **Gwen** (explaining how the Big Tables work and how important they, and the opinions gleaned from them, will be to the QC community), "Please register at [quadcitiesbigtable.com/](http://quadcitiesbigtable.com/) and participate – you can still go to either a public or private table, even as a host," she said, adding that more than 3,000 Quad Citizens have signed up to participate in more than 400 tables of 8-12 people for an hour of conversation about the future of the community... **Brad** stood again to congratulate **Decker Ploehn** on the ground-breaking ceremony for the new behavioral health facility in Bettendorf... **Phil Dunbridge** – happy MLB season is back so he can follow his favorite teams, "The Red Sox and anybody playing the Yankees" + "the 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my 21<sup>st</sup> birthday"... **Jenny Garlach** "you're welcome at either of the 2 Boys and Girls Club Big Tables"... **Kevin Kraft** – kudos to Ann Kappeler for her award... **Steve Piart** – going soon to Spain and

Portugal... **Carl Loweth** – back after 3 months in Florida... **John Rabine** – birthday, so "rounding the check up to \$75"... **Dick Schillig** – thanks to all Rotarians coming to his Big Table + 138 days to Run with Carl on Labor Day... **Decker** – impressed with **Gwen's** work on the Big Table project, "and thanks."

## **The meeting opened...**

After the bell sounded, **President Tim Lane** called the meeting to order and led the recitation of The 4-Way Test.

Song leader **Tom Howard**, without any musical accompaniment, led the singing of the first verse of "America."



President Tim led the Pledge of Allegiance and Moments of Silence, during which we learned that accompanist **Tewanta Lopez's** mother is in hospice care, and we remembered our troops and friends of Rotarians in need of support.

Tom led the singing of "Welcome," a Rotary song to the tune of "Jingle Bells" in keeping with what Tom termed the "January 99<sup>th</sup>" weather.



## **And at the end...**

... of the meeting, **Phil Dunbridge** 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 \$\$*.

## Secretary Johanna Smith reported...

### Guests:

Christine Caves, Iowa Workforce Development, speaker

In all, 49 Bettendorf Rotarians and 1 guest attended.

## Missing today...

Arumugam, Bennett, Boeye, Bormann, Calabrese, Chambers, Christopher, Clark, Cochran, G. Coin, DeDoncker, Dobesh, Eikenberry, Fair, Franks, Gallagher Sr., Gallagher Jr., Gause, Hassel, Hill, Hutcheson, Kellenberger, Keith, Krause, Larsen, Lawrence, McGimpsey, Mannix, Martinez, Meyers, Mickle, Mitvalsky, Mohr, Naab, Naeve, Naumann, Nelson, O'Brien, Pedersen, Powell, Raso, Ricketts-McCool, Ross, Sarver, Saul, Schneden, Schuler, Sherrick, Scranton, Sorenson, Spelhaug, Thein, Wells, Windmiller, 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, Hy-Vee, 7<sup>th</sup> 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

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:scottn@midlandcom.com), 445-4260:



### April 25:

Jerry Foxhoven, director of the Iowa Department of Human Services: managed care in the state of Iowa

### June 9:

LobsterFest XII, Tanglewood Hills

Pavilion and Grounds

### June 13:

We host a luncheon for the 22 2018 Miss Iowa contestants and their personal assistants

### Thursday, July 19:

All QC Rotarians attend QC River Bandits baseball game at Modern Woodmen Field

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