



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
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Next meeting:

Noon Wednesday, May 2, 2018
At Tanglewood Hills Pavilion

We'll learn about Iowa's managed care system

The scheduled speaker for our May 2nd 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 25, 2018



Learning through Creative Arts

Joel Franken came out of retirement as a school principal 5 years ago to direct the Creative Arts Academy in Davenport – Iowa's only arts-based school. He and **Jessica Taylor**, the CAA's development coordinator, updated us at the April 25 meeting on how this unique educational setting is progressing.

Building gradually toward next year's expected enrollment of 300 students in the junior and senior high grades, the CAA provides "something unique" – project-based learning – with an emphasis on the arts, Joel said.

The academy follows an educational model pioneered by the Kennedy Center to integrate a student's work on learning skills in such arts as music, theatre or the visual arts with academic subjects –

science, math, language arts and physical education. Besides traditional modes of instruction, they learn through using interactive media, and interacting with local and visiting artists. They learn both individual and teamwork skills by working collaboratively on problems and projects.

Students come from throughout the Quad Cities, Jessica said. Courses are taught at the CAA campus – soon to occupy the 2nd level of the Ground Transportation Center – and at Sudlow Junior and Central High schools.



A look at some of short courses that will be offered this summer provides an insight into how the CAA program combines elements of traditional academics, popular culture and professionals in the arts:

- "Cartooning!" with a professional cartoonist
- "Kidstock Mini" – learning about American Roots music, such as blues and rock-and-roll, at the River Music Experience
- "The Hero's Journey" – using such pop culture as the "Harry Potter" books to learn how professional writers use the "hero's journey" structure to tell a story

To learn more about the CAA, contact Joel or Jessica at 563.328.7201 or www.davenportschools.org/caa/.



Presentation...

→ **Paul Harris + 4:** Noting that this doesn't happen very often, **S.K. Nanda** called **Diane Ricketts-McCool** to the front of the room, where he presented her a jewel-encrusted Paul Harris + 4 pin. "That means that Diane has donated \$5,000 to the Rotary Foundation," S.K. said. "Not too many of us have done that." Donations such as this make up the foundation for all of the grants the international Rotary Foundation makes to aid community-development projects around the world. Those in attendance gave her a standing ovation.

New-member inductions...

While he had the microphone, S.K.

inducted three new members:

→ **Shawn Langan**, commercial real estate agent with NAI Ruhl Commercial Co. He joined Ruhl after a career in the flooring business, he said. He and his



wife Janelle are parents to Ashleigh, Tyler, Taylor and Nicholas.



→**Brian Goerdts**, information technology expert and owner of Arena Computer Consulting. Married 25 years to Janette, they are parents of Kallista, a design major at Iowa

State, and Aidan, a high school freshman.

→**Brett Goodmundson**, a technology sales specialist with Reference Audio Video of Davenport. A lifelong Quad Citian, he is a graduate of Bettendorf High School and the University of Iowa.



Announcements...

→**Plant trees:** With mere days to go until the morning of Saturday, April 28 – when the City of Bettendorf needs our help planting trees in parks – **Carol Foster** asked for more volunteers than have already signed up.

Dust off that shovel you packed away last fall and head for Veterans Memorial Park (1645 23rd St., next to the band shell) at 8:30 that morning. Some trees will be planted there, and we'll be told where the rest of them are waiting to go into the ground.

City crews will have dug the holes and set the trees beside them. Members of the Trees Are Us committee of the Park Board will be on hand to make sure we plant them root-side down. All we have

to do is shovel some dirt and spread some mulch (also furnished) around the base.

So, come on. Sign up: Contact Carol (carolfoster@hdcmail.org) or **President Tim** (tim.lane@edwardjones.com).

→**LobsterFest: President Tim**

announced that next week's LobsterFest planning – which will immediately follow the membership meeting – will focus on the live and silent auctions.



Meanwhile, **Penny McGimpsey** (pmcg0809@gmail.com) urged all sponsors to tell her *soon* all the details about their ticket / seating needs - to avoid the last-minute rush and make any unused sponsor tickets available to the public.

These are the LobsterFest sponsors who have already signed on:

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Tanglewood Hills Pavilion

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BRC Happy \$\$...

President Tim Lane collected \$192 with special expressions of happiness from: **Steve Sorenson** – second grandson born this month... **Dick Schillig** – thanks for all the Rotarians who attended his Big Table last week + 45 days to LobsterFest + 134 days to Run with Carl on Labor Day... **John Sherrick** – 3½ years without evidence of cancer... **Larry Thein** – in baseball news, son pitched a no-hitter in one game, hit the winning run in a second... **Mayor Bob Gallagher** – with help from the diamond selection from **Will Doland** at Doland Jewelers,

got engaged on Sunday... **Decker Ploehn** – \$\$ for a list of reasons, including the success of the 1st QC Big Table (“507 hosts and maybe 4,000 participants”) + wishing happiness to the 14 city employees (“444 years of experience”) who are retiring today... **Shawn Langan** – “\$10 for arriving late for my induction meeting”... **President Tim** – happy his wife has become the principal at Camanche High School + the program schedule is filled for the rest of his presidential year, thanks to **Scott Naumann** [Highlights include an update on the Mississippi Valley Boys and Girls Clubs from our own **Jennifer Garlach**, lunch with this year’s Miss Iowa contestants – and more!].

The meeting opened...



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

Song leader **Tom Howard**, accompanied by pianist **Gail Baldwin**, led

the singing of “God Bless America.”

President Tim led the Pledge of Allegiance and Moments of Silence, during which we learned of the passing of the mothers of **Jonna Schuler** and accompanist **Tewanta Lopez**. We also remembered our troops and friends of Rotarians in need of support.

Tom led the singing of “Sing, Everyone, Sing!” and “This Land Is Your Land.”

Secretary Johanna Smith reported...

Guests:

Gail Baldwin, pianist
Joel Franken, director, Creative Arts Academy, speaker
Jessica Taylor, development coordinator, Creative Arts Academy, speaker
Scott Besander, MediaCom, guest of **Jerry Higgs**

In all, 39 Bettendorf Rotarians and 4 guests attended.



And at the end...

... of the meeting, **Steve Sorenson** 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...

Arumugam, Ashby, Bennett, Blaske, Boeye, Calabrese, Chambers, Christopher, Clark, Cochran, G. Coin, H. Coin, Dobesh, Doland, Dunbridge, Eikenberry, Fair, Falk, Franks, Gallagher Sr., Garlach, Gause, Gross, Hanzelka, Hassel, Hill, Hutcheson, Kellenberger, Kook, Kraus, Larsen, Lawrence, Loweth, Mannix, Marbach, Martinez, Mickle, Mielnik, Mitvalsky, Mohr, Morrison, Naeve, Nelson, O’Brien, Pacha, Paplinski, Pieart, Powell, Rabine, Raso, Ross, Sarver, Saul, Schuler, Scranton, Shea, Simons, Slavens, Spelhaug, Spykstra, Tombergs, Wells, Werner, 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, 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:



May 2:

Jerry Foxhoven: managed care in 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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