



THE BETTENDORF ROTARY CLUB NEWS...

Bettendorf, Iowa, Rotary Club
May 4, 2022

Next meeting:
May 11 at Tanglewood Pavilion

Type 1 diabetes changed her life – 11 years ago

When **Alysa Goethe** was 11 years old, she was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes (or T1D). She has spent the last year speaking to groups to educate them about T1D and advocate for those with it – and she’ll speak to us at our May 11 meeting.

Also, during that year the Bettendorf native, who will graduate this spring from Drake University, has been the reigning Miss Greater Des Moines.



As part of her service to the community since being crowned last August, Alysa has spoken to service groups, students and others about the Miss Iowa Scholarship Program and her “personal journey with T1D.”

Since her diagnosis, she said, she’s fought for affordable insulin prices, raised funds for a cure and spoken “to dispel the myths surrounding diabetes.”

She also partnered with the Nebraska-Iowa chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation in those efforts.

Last meeting:
May 4, 2022



Ensuring all kids are safe, healthy

Recently, the agency known since 1995 as the Child Abuse Council rebranded itself as EveryChild – and **Mark Mathews**, its executive director, explained its mission and the name change at our May 4 meeting.

It took Mark some years of frustration with how society deals with child abuse before he arrived at this destination. He spent four years as a police officer in Colorado and some

more years as a virtual cog in the wheel of a broken social-service system. After his law-enforcement experience in



Colorado, Mark came to the QC to pursue a criminal justice degree at Western Illinois University.

Sadly, once he got to work in the field, he saw the same scenario – which wasn't really helping at-risk children. Child abuse was reported in a family... authorities intervened... someone may have been punished – but eventually the child was returned and, often, Mark said, the abuse became worse.

He left the field and started his own business. Then, unexpectedly, he was asked to volunteer to lead a weekly 2-hour class for fathers-to-be. He taught them what to expect – from changing diapers to the need to build a strong relationship with the baby's mother. That role led to a fulltime job with the Child Abuse Council – where before too long he became its executive director.

Regardless of the name, Mark said the agency focuses on abuse-prevention at three levels:

→Universal prevention education, such as classes for anyone in the community, similar to the dads-to-be class he taught, with an emphasis on how abuse harms children psychologically as well as physically

→Prevention targeted at families facing specific kinds of situations – he said one example would be military-career families, with all of its added stresses

→Prevention of further abuse in families where it has occurred – working within the family and with law enforcement.

As for the name change, Mark said the old name seemed intimidating, where "EveryChild" emphasizes that every child in the community deserves respect, nurture, good health, safety and a good education.

To underscore the need to prevent child abuse, he cited some statistics for Scott County, in which last year 1,236 cases were reported. Of those, 742 involved neglect – and there were five instances of children being sexually trafficked.

Further, Mark said abused children are more likely to commit crimes, suffer mental illness, drop out of school – and abuse their own children.

Yet, the United States spends about the same amount – \$500 million – on child abuse and Halloween costumes for pets. It spends \$2 billion to combat animal abuse, he added.

"Child abuse is 100% preventable," Mark concluded. "We have to make it a priority."

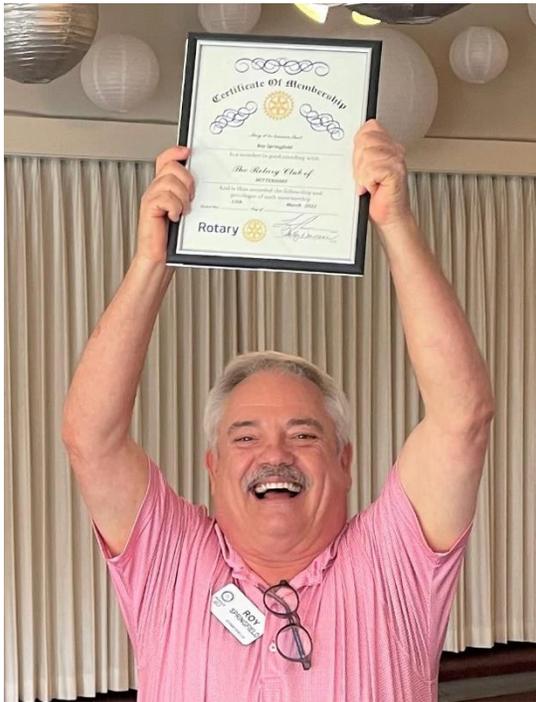
"If you see something," he added, "call" – anonymously: EveryChild at 309-736-7170, ext. 121 or www.foreverychild.org.



Presentation...

→PHF + 1: Barely two weeks after he received his Paul Harris Fellowship pin, **President Larry Thein** had paid an additional \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation, qualifying him to receive the PHF + 1 sapphire pin from **S.K. Nanda**.

For the next four \$1,000 donations to TRF [see The Foundation Minute on page 8] Larry will get a new pin with more sapphires – and then he'll get a series of ruby pins until he reaches \$10,000 – when he'll earn a diamond PHF pin.



New-member induction...

→ **Roy Springfield** was welcomed into full membership by **S.K.** and **Larry**. Retired from a career in the oil and gas industry, Roy moved to Pleasant Valley from Houston, Texas – where his two adult sons still live.

Golf and scouting are at the core of his volunteer activities – he has been a Boy Scout volunteer for 45 years, he said, including being vice president of development and chair of the Pro-Am Golf Tournament Committee of the Illowa Council, where he got to know **Jeff Doty**, who sponsored him in BRC. Roy's a member of the Iowa Golf Association Golf Course Rating Team.

Announcements...

[Have an announcement? To make sure it's complete, by Wednesday noon please send an email to Editor Fred – fred.anderson.1144@gmail.com – and include **Who** you are... **What** your announcement is... **When** it's happening... **Why** someone should go... and **How** to get there. Thanks.]

→ **Red Badge meeting:** For the second time this year, a “fireside chat,” when new members can learn more about Bettendorf Rotary and Rotary International, is scheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 14, at the Tangled-Wood Restaurant.

→ **Working at the JDC:** **Jeff Hassel** reported that signups of volunteers to be a gallery manager during the John Deere Classic are going well, but he still needs:

→ Wednesday, June 29: 3 more for the a.m. shift, 3 more for p.m.

→ Thursday, June 30: 3, a.m., 3, p.m.

→ Friday, July 1: all slots are filled

→ Saturday, July 2: 6, for the a.m. to about 1 p.m., since there's just one group of players left each weekend day

→ Sunday, July 3: 7, for a.m. – 1 p.m.



Jeff reviewed the process to volunteer:

→ Register for the Gallery Management Committee at the JDC volunteer website, www.johndeereclassic.com/volunteer.

→ For BRC's Hole No. 1, use the password BettendorfRotary (no space).

→ Uniform shirt pickup is June 13-15 at Bend XPO, 922 Mississippi Parkway, East Moline.

→ Volunteers who register after those dates can get their uniform shirt at the main entrance of TPC Deere Run 9 a.m.-

2 p.m. Sunday, June 26 – or at the Credentials Trailer near the Clubhouse beginning June 29.

→ Volunteer parking is near the No. 2 green, where Coaltown Road meets River Road, East Moline.

More details are at the volunteer website. If you have questions, contact **Jeff: 563-505-7973** or hassel14@gmail.com.



→ **LobsterFest:** “It’s only 38 days to “game day” – that’s LobsterFest, **Larry** explained. The main concern at the moment is capturing all of the items for the live and silent auctions – “we have 137 people to contact,” he said, “so we need volunteers to pick up items.”

Here are this year’s sponsors – and the contact for each. Thank them for their support of LobsterFest – and, by extension, their support for all of the QC non-profit organizations that will receive Bettendorf Rotary Charitable Grants:

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➔More help with spring cleaning:

Community Service chair **Mike Ingleby** continues to coordinate volunteers who can form small working groups to help Bettendorfers who need a little help with spring cleanup yard chores, such as

raking lawns and trimming shrubs. He’s working off of the two signup lists from last week’s meeting – and others who are interested. If you have tools and want to help, email him: mikeingleby@aol.com or call 563-340-7739 and tell him when you’re available...

BRC Happy \$\$ Plus...

President Larry Thein roamed the room with the microphone so members could share their happiness and



other news – **Jennifer Garlach** – happy to be here after a pause... **Larry O’Brien** – also happy to be back in person, after a sojourn in Florida... **Bill Daley** – as part of the BRC duffers team at the Junior Achievement fundraiser, froze his... anatomy... and admitted the team would have won a “slowest play” trophy if there had ben one... **Mayor Bob Gallagher** – happy to be surrounded by “distinguished leaders”, **Scott Naumann**, recognized as BRC’s guardian of integrity at the District 6000 conference, Iowa State Rep. **Gary Mohr** and Bettendorf City Council member Scott Webster, who’s running for the State Senate... **Scott Naumann** – “this is the 23rd anniversary of when women were admitted to Rotary membership”... **John Rabine** – missed meetings + birthday last month, so a check, rounded-up for \$200... **Dr. Tom Olson** – (in a parody of today’s “Star Wars” date, May the 4th be with You) “May the Floss be with You”.

The meeting opened...

Our guest speaker rang the bell, and **President Larry Thein** called the meeting to order. After introducing Mark

Matthews, executive director of EreryChild, he asked **Joy Dodson** to lead recitation of “The 4-Way Test,” and **Steve Roberts** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. **Tom Howard** led the singing of the patriotic song, “America the Beautiful.”

Larry led the Moment of Silence, during which we remembered our troops (thanks to **S.K. Nanda**); we offered a speedy recovery from surgery for **Dean Kraus** (thanks to **Larry**); we supported **Scott** and **Shelly Naumann**’s daughter with get-well-soon wishes, and we offered support for an ill Bettendorf friend (thanks to **Harry Coin**).

Club Secretary Shelly Naumann introduced today’s visitors: Sarah Gourley, guest of **Larry Thein**; and Jennifer Furness and Scott Webster, Bettendorf City Council member, guests of **Scott Naumann**.

After announcements, **Tom Howard** returned to lead more songs – “All Hail to Rotary,” “If You’re Happy and You Know It, Clap Your Hands” (requested by **Larry Thein**) and “Happy Birthday, Dear Rotarians.”



Members with May birthdays – and therefore the reason we had chocolate-chip cookies and lemon bars at the coffee table – are: 01, **Decker Ploehn**; 13, **Marty Clifton**; 19, **Laurie Dobesh** and **Todd Ashby**; and 29, **Sharon Sarver**.

At the end...

... of the meeting today, **Mayor Bob Gallagher** won the drawing for a free make-up from among the names of members who shared their news in today’s installment of “BRC Happy \$\$ Plus.”



To join BRC meetings via ZOOM...

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86114972491?pwd=c3RZdm5qL01EckFWZzFrSjZkZ01ZZz09>

Meeting ID: 861 1497 2491

Passcode: 816180

Upcoming meetings & more...

Meeting programs thanks to Program Chair **Scott Naumann, 563-505-7953; scottnaumann@msn.com**:



May 11: Alysa Goethe: type 1 diabetes and Miss Iowa Scholarship Program
June 4-8: Rotary International Convention, Houston, Texas; to register:

<https://convention.rotary.org/en>

Saturday, June 11: LobsterFest

Tuesday, June 14: Red Badge meeting, 6 p.m. at the Tangled-Wood Restaurant.

Wednesday, June 29-Sunday, July 3:

John Deere Classic, where BRC manages the gallery at Hole No. 1

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Make up at another QC club...

[NOTE: To update any of these listings, please notify the editor; thanks]

Monday, noon: Davenport – Davenport YMCA

Monday, noon: Moline – Trinity Lutheran Church, Moline

Monday, 6 p.m.: QC Illinois – Club Room, upstairs, Hy-Vee, 30th Street & 18th Avenue, Rock Island

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

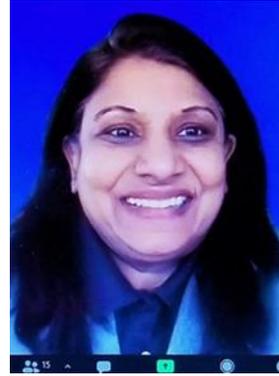
Friday, noon: North Scott – Steeplegate Inn, Davenport

Rotary



Rotary elsewhere...

District 6000 governor...



The Resources for Inspiration and Special Events (R.I.S.E.) Action Team shares this.

“You can’t go back and change the beginning, but you can

change the ending.”

– C.S. Lewis

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For more on Rotary District 6000:

<https://rotary6000.org/>

Rotary responds to the invasion of Ukraine...

Within hours of Russia’s invasion of Ukraine in late February 2022, Iryna Bushmina fled her home in Kyiv. Along with her sister and her three-month-old nephew, she journeyed to Vienna, Austria, staying with Rotary members

along the way. Their generosity inspired Bushmina, a member of the Rotaract Club of Kyiv-City and the district Rotaract representative for Ukraine, to organize a larger-scale relief effort — and now, an online platform she created has helped Rotaract and Rotary members find shelter for thousands of Ukrainian refugees.

Across Europe, Rotaract members are using digital tools to share information and coordinate to help people who have been affected by the war in Ukraine. By routing communications through the European Rotaract Information Centre (also known as Rotaract Europe), a multidistrict information organization that serves clubs in more than 40 countries, these young members are using the power of Rotary’s global network to direct aid where it’s needed most.

Shortly after the war began, Christiane Leitner, the president of Rotaract Europe, learned about a project that was already underway to help Ukrainians. Led by the Rotaract Club of Klagenfurt-Wörthersee, Austria, Rotaractors coordinated using the Rotaract Europe website, then packed five vans and cars full of relief supplies and drove through the night to the Polish-Ukrainian border, where Rotaractors were waiting to deliver the aid.

“This really stood out to me as an example of how quickly our Rotary network can make things happen,” says Leitner, a member of the Rotaract Club of Linz, Austria. After learning about dozens of Rotaract initiatives that started within a week of the invasion, she realized that Rotaract Europe could play a key role in coordinating communication among Rotaract and Rotary clubs and districts and facilitating partnerships that could lead to projects....

Read more about aid to Ukraine:
<https://www.rotary.org/en/european-rotaract-clubs-organize-help-ukrainian-refugees>

For more on Rotary International:
<https://www.rotary.org/>

Rotary Foundation minute...

[S.K. Nanda, is BRC’s Rotary Foundation chair, makes sure we have a minute each week to learn something about how the Rotary Foundation is helping people.]



TRF raises \$10 million to aid Ukrainians

This week the Foundation Minute is reprinting its latest Tweet about The Rotary Foundation. This organization has

outshone itself especially in its immediate response to Ukraine.

“Because of our generous donors around the world, The Rotary Foundation has raised more than \$10 million to provide food, medicine, clothing and shelter for the people forced to leave their homes in Ukraine.”

In Rotary,
Olabisi Gwamna, Club Secretary
Mount Pleasant Rotary,
Editor, Foundation Minute

For more on Rotary Foundation:
<https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/rotary-foundation>