

# NEWSLETTER

## Rotary

### Club of Bettendorf



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF  
OCTOBER 11, 2024

### MEETING LOCATION

**Wednesday @ 12pm**

Tanglewood Hills Pavilion  
4250 Middle Road  
Bettendorf, IA 52722

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- [Facebook](#)
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# Announcements

## Read all about it!

- Jeff – the club Treasurer sent out the Dues; they can be paid thru the invoice or mail check to the Rotary Club's po box.
- The BRC board met for a day of goal-setting and club visioning recently. There is a lot of good participation and energy being put into organizational and financial improvements. Look for more information from the leadership soon!
- Jen DeBuhr made an announcement regarding the continuation of the fundraising for the Bettendorf Public Library Foundation Outreach Van. (remind me to send the photos of the flier etc)

## Invite!

- **Please keep in mind to invite a guest this year, especially during your Birthday month! It's a wonderful gift for the club!**

## Key Dates

- **The World Polio Day celebration is October 22nd at the Botanical Center in Rock Island. The club is going to pay for some reservations so let Shelly Naumann know by emailing, [Bettendorfrotary@gmail.com](mailto:Bettendorfrotary@gmail.com) if you're interested in the evening event.**

# HAPPY BUCKS

## MEMBERS:

- **Current Members: 124**
- **Membership Goal: 135**



- Mary Macumber-Schmidt gave a shout-out to Kristen Skaggs for her AMAZING singing voice. If you haven't sat next to her, you need to do it soon!
- Bill Daley invited people to register for the 10X Ted Talks set for the Capital Theatre on Thursday October 10th. You get a speed dating sort of dive into fascinating topics that are well worth the modest \$20 fee.
- Ken Beck suggested people look at the [www.scottcountyiowa.org](http://www.scottcountyiowa.org) website to check on the early voting schedules to make participation in the polling as easy as possible. Please exercise your voting rights on November 5th or before! Reminder that if you have requested an absentee ballot, the will be mailed on Oct 16th.
- Dr. Kit Evans-Ford wanted to be sure to thank Bill Daley and Abbey Carpet Gallery for donating the floorcoverings for the new space Dr. Ford is opening along Welcome Way in Davenport. Way to go, Bill!
- Decker Ploehn updated the club on his wife, Jaynes, recent bout with COVID, which caused the Ploehns to cancel their trip to Pittsburgh to celebrate City Administrator Ploehn's 50 year career in public service. As Jayne began to feel better, she was enjoying an outdoor walk, stepped on a walnut, and rolled her ankle to the point of fracture. No surgery, but immobilized in a walking boot!

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP



Gwen Tombergs reminded club members that the Acres of Warmth blanket drive will start on November 1st. If a company or group would like to have their own drive to support the BRC, please let Gwen know. Her email is [Gwentombergs@gmail.com](mailto:Gwentombergs@gmail.com)

The third annual Rotary Blanket Drive, spearheaded by the Bettendorf Rotary Club, has a goal of collecting over 4,000 gently used and new blankets this year. These blankets are used by non-profit and charitable organizations to provide to those in need this winter. We find that working with agencies is the best way of getting these blankets directly into the hands of those who need them most. Please consider donating blankets or donating financially to support this community effort. A \$10 donation will buy one new twin blanket (\$20 will buy 2, etc.). Twin sizes and “couch blankets” work best. Thank you for your support.

# ROTARY CLUB OF BETENDORF

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP



*"Will it be beneficial to all concerned."*

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Club of Bettendorf

# Blanket Drive

November 1—  
December 20,  
2024

*Help keep the QC warm this winter!*

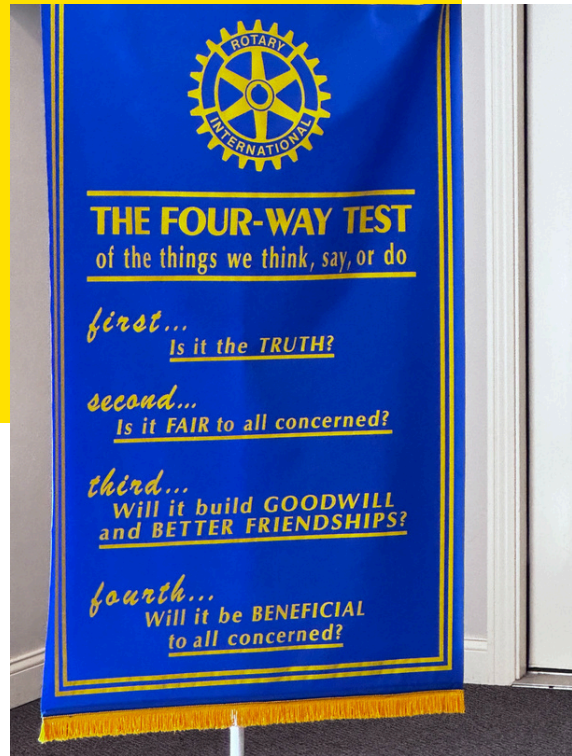
[RotaryBlanketDrive.org](http://RotaryBlanketDrive.org)

## Drop-Off Sites

- Bettendorf Library: 2950 Learning Campus Dr.
- Bettendorf City Hall: 1609 State St.
- K & K Hardware: 1818 Grant St., Bettendorf
- Duck Creek Tire: 4000 Middle Rd., Bettendorf
- TBK Sports Plex: 4850 Bettplex Dr., Bettendorf
- Wallace's Garden Center: 2605 Devil's Glen Rd., Bettendorf
- YMCAs of the Iowa Mississippi Valley:
  - R. Richard Bittner YMCA—630 E. 4th St., Davenport
  - Utica Ridge YMCA—4885 Utica Ridge Rd., Davenport
  - North YMCA—624 W. 53rd St., Davenport
  - West YMCA—3503 W. Locust St., Davenport
  - North Scott YMCA—104 S. 3rd Ave., Eldridge
  - Bettendorf YMCA—3800 Tanglefoot Lane, Bettendorf
  - YMCA Sports Center at the Landing—2222 Middle Rd., Bettendorf

# ROTARY CLUB OF BETENDORF

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP



Rock Island Mayor Mike Thoms rang the bell with a distinct similarity to the beginning of a boxing match! President Mike Ingelby called the meeting to order and kept the tradition alive by telling another groaner joke to kick off the session.

We recited the 4 Way Test and did the Pledge of Allegiance.

We sang a patriotic song followed by the introduction of guests by Secretary Shelly Naumann:

- Mike Ingelby has a guest. He, of course, introduced Chad from Eagle Eye Builders as Craig!
- Carlie was a Guest of new member Tracy Rommel
- And Davenport Rotarian, Ken Beck visited.

# ROTARY CLUB OF BETENDORF

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP



President Mike introduced the program for the day, Mayor Mike Thoms!

There is a ton of progress and activity in the city of Rock Island. Many really outdated and deteriorating buildings have been razed by the city. The old buildings along the river drive, Bear Manufacturing and others have been removed and are ready for new construction.

They have been focusing on homes for Veterans and are celebrating this new project! The YWCA has a brand new facility on the site of the old Zimmerman Honda location across from Skellington Manor. The amazing facility provides vital services to the community and even has a state-of-the-art pool to serve the community.

Still a long way off for railroad quiet zones along the river, but there is hope!

The new federal courthouse sits on the ground of the old Bituminous Insurance building in downtown Rock Island. This is a \$47-million-dollar project with seven different federal agencies housed within.

The City of Rock Island is rehabilitating many of the streets and plaza areas in the downtown. They are using Tax Increment Financing, Grants and ARPA funds to great a brand new look at feel in the District of Rock Island along the former RIBCO area down to WHBF. Exciting times!

The Quad City Arts area is getting a new “Arts Alley” with multi-million dollar investments to energize the area.

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP



The downtown businesses have committed to a SSA taxing area to help fund and support their area. They have followed the lead of Davenport and Bettendorf to partner with the QC Chamber to hire a staff person to serve the role of area advocate/manager. Jack Cullen has been in place for 1 year and is doing a great job establishing the place-making portion of the effort

Rock Island is now providing the waste removal services and water purification elements for the RI Arsenal. They are helping the federal facility while also making a bit of money for the city.

The city continues to drive projects forward in the Parks and Recreation Department, renovation of city hall, opening the doors of the Hauberg Center for the community to enjoy, and improving the quality of life for its residents.

There is a lot on the horizon for future development. The site where the Walmart was going to go is being eyed by a developer. A marijuana dispensary is coming to town which will result in significant dollars into the coffers.

Lots of activity with new clubhouses for Highland Springs and Saukie, with great growth in the First Tee program in our area.

Rock Island is going great guns with the renovation of Sunset Marina and the long overdue dredging of the canal and entryway to the marina.



# LOOKING FORWARD

## PROGRAM IDEAS??

**IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A FUTURE PROGRAM,  
CONTACT PROGRAM CHAIRMAN SCOTT NAUMANN,  
563-505-7953;  
[SCOTTNAUMANN@MSN.COM](mailto:SCOTTNAUMANN@MSN.COM)**

## PROGRAM 10-16-24

**Joe Murphy, President of the Iowa Business Council**

**Marcia– Community Service Chair – using the website to track volunteer hours that you do for club... stay tuned for more information!**

**Mary – birthdays need to be updated within a Rotarians' club runner profile. Please see Shelly Naumann Club secretary for help or Mary.**

**Shout out to Scott Naumann and Bill Daley for assisting with details and pictures from this week's meeting!**

## YOUR CURRENT BRC BOARD

**Mike Ingleby, President  
Penny McGimpsey,  
President-Elect  
Mary Macumber-Schmidt, Club Service  
Marcia Erickson, Community Service  
Brock Biggerstaff, Vocational Service  
Jake Eikenberry, At Large  
Ann Kappeler, At Large  
Joe Champion, Past President  
S.K. Nanda, Foundation  
Brian Strusz, Youth Service  
Jake Eikenberry, International Service  
Jeff Hassel, Treasurer  
Shelly Naumann, Secretary**

**EDITOR'S NOTE**

# RI News



Welcome to Week TWO of RI's Month of Economic & Community Development.

A student from Malawi (East Africa) has arrived in Reading, England, after receiving a £26,000 (\$34,115 USD) Rotary Foundation Grant. Grace Mkangama, from Lilongwe, Malawi, arrived on September 18 to begin her one-year MSc in Climate, Environment, and Development at the University of Reading. The funds, which also included donations from a local Rotary Club, will support her studies. Members of the Reading Abbey Rotary Club will assist Ms. Mkangama in settling into British student life and introduce her to the history and culture of the Thames Valley. Upon completing her studies, Ms. Mkangama aims to return to Malawi to work on programs with young people and small-scale farmers to enhance food production while conserving the environment.

Reading Abbey Rotary Club is one of six Rotary Clubs in and around the Reading area.

Reading is located between London and Bristol in SE England.

Source: <https://www.readingchronicle.co.uk/news/24621176.malawian-student-arrives-reading-rotary-grant/>

In Rotary,  
Olabisi Gwamna, PhD  
Editor, Foundation Minute

# RI News

**WORLD  
POLIO DAY**  
24 OCTOBER



**Terry's Polio Eradication Update**  
For the week ending 10/05/24

**Dear Polio Eradication Warriors,**

**Six new Wild Polio paralysis reported this week. We are now 3 weeks since the most recent report of a child being paralyzed by the Wild Polio Virus in Pakistan.**

**The Final Two Polio Endemic Countries:**

**Pakistan Three new Wild Polio cases reported this week. Twenty-four Wild Polio cases reported in 2024. Six Wild Polio Cases reported in 2023. The most recent case had an onset of Paralysis on 09/12/24. One WPV1 Environmental Samples and no cVDPV2 Positive Environmental Samples were reported this week in Pakistan.**

**Afghanistan Three new Wild Polio cases reported this week. Twenty-two Wild Polio cases reported in 2024. Six Wild Polio Cases reported in 2023. The most recent case had an onset of paralysis on 08/30/24. Three WPV1 Environmental Samples and no cVDPV2 Positive Environmental Samples were reported this week in Afghanistan.**

**Advocate, Donate & Educate to END POLIO NOW & FOREVER!**

**Over 3 Billion Children Immunized**

**21,000,000 Children Saved from the Paralysis of Polio**

**Our Goal is Global Polio Eradication!!**

**Terry Ziegler, Polio Update Newsletter Editor**

**Rotary Region 36 END POLIO NOW Coordinator 2024-27**

# ROTARY CLUB OF BETENDORF

# Birthday & Anniversary Report

Member Birthdays	
Name	Date
Howard, Thomas	6-Oct
Thornton, Pat	15-Oct
Olson, Thomas	16-Oct
Marbach, Lee	19-Oct
Wells, Gabriel	31-Oct



*Anniversary*

Name	Spouse Name	Years	Date
Anderson, Frederick	Deborah	76 years	Oct. 17 1948
Naeve, Jennifer	Jeff	24 years	Oct. 21 2000
Sarver, Sharon	Brad	17 years	Oct. 04 2007
Marbach, Lee	Marbach, Julia	16 years	Oct. 11 2008

Join Date		
Name	Years	Date
Nanda, S. K.	39 years	Oct. 01 1985
Ross, Mark	29 years	Oct. 14 1995
Coin, Harry	19 years	Oct. 26 2005
Boeye, Bradley	15 years	Oct. 14 2009
Sorensen, Steven	14 years	Oct. 20 2010
Naeve, Jennifer	11 years	Oct. 23 2013
Crist, Ron	8 years	Oct. 05 2016
Kruse, Monica	5 years	Oct. 30 2019
Whitson, Josh	3 years	Oct. 01 2021
Samolitis, Renalda	3 years	Oct. 01 2021
Dietrich, Mitch	2 years	Oct. 12 2022
Smith, Daryn	2 years	Oct. 19 2022
Egger, Heather	2 years	Oct. 19 2022
Vuong-Lynch, Mhisho	2 years	Oct. 26 2022

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Honda



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AGENCY  
*Names you know. People you trust.*

PRESENTS:

## THE MAGIC OF MUSIC


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# DUELING PIANOS

NOVEMBER 9, 2024

THE PHOENIX  
111 W 2ND ST DAVENPORT  
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

CONTACT FOR  
RESERVATIONS

 (563) 279-0988

 DAVENPORTROTARY  
@GMAIL.COM



\$250 PER  
TABLE OF 4



APPETIZERS  
AND A  
CASH BAR

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## BETTENDORF PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

**HELP US  
DRIVE  
OUTREACH  
SERVICES  
FORWARD!**



BENEFITS	TRAILBLAZER \$10,000+	ROAD WARRIOR \$5,000 to \$9,999	KNOWLEDGE NAVIGATOR \$2,500 to \$4,999	MOBILE MENTOR \$1,000 to \$2,499	COMMUNITY CONNECTOR \$500 to \$999
Name & logo located on the outside of the Outreach Vehicle for 12 months	✓				
(3) Outreach Vehicle events at your place of business within a 12-month timeframe	✓				
Logo will appear on all media publications	✓				
Special recognition at the launch event	✓				
Name & logo will appear on Outreach Vehicle's digital display & webpage for 12 months	✓	✓			
(1) Outreach Vehicle event at your place of business	✓	✓			
VIP tour of the vehicle prior to launch event	✓	✓			
Logo on (1) Outreach Vehicle book cart endcap for 12 months	✓	✓	✓		
Name listed on Outreach Vehicle's digital display for 12 months	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Name on Bettendorf Public Library's Outreach Vehicle webpage for 12 months	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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**HELP US  
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We are excited to announce the Foundation's newest initiative - an **Outreach Vehicle**! This vehicle will allow the Bettendorf Public Library Outreach Team to bring books, resources, and programming directly to the community. Your support can help us reach this goal and ensure that everyone in our community has access to the resources they need.

**GOAL \$255,000**  
Donate Now

**SCAN  
ME**





## Magic of Giving Gala DINNER

NOVEMBER 15, 2024  
WORLD FOOD PRIZE HALL OF LAUREATES  
100 LOCUST STREET  
DES MOINES

[BOOK NOW](#)

[www.Rotary6000.org](http://www.Rotary6000.org)

# ROTARY CLUB OF BETENDORF

The District 6000 One Summit is set for November 23rd. This is a great way to get more training and background on Rotary. The session is in Coralville, but if a person is unable to travel, Larry Thein is helping to coordinate some group watch parties for the broadcast online.

**Save the date!**

- The Magic of Rotary – Making Your Club Irresistible is important for all Rotarians.
- Gain insights about how your club can expand its reach, increase its impact, enhance its engagement, and increase its ability to adapt.
- Take ideas back to your club to implement!



One Summit: Membership, Public Image & The Rotary Foundation Working Together

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Inspiration | Networking |  
Instruction  
Collaboration | Resource  
Awareness

**IN PERSON EVENT**

and via Zoom

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23RD, 2024**

- 8:30-9AM REGISTRATION
- 9AM-12PM - ONE SUMMIT

We hope you will join us, engage in the process and take-home good ideas for your club. And it's all free!

<https://rotary6000.org/event/one-summit/>

Thank You District 6000 Rotarians!!

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