

Bettendorf Kiwanis

SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

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Minutes from the August 30 Meeting

There were 22 in attendance with Jim leading the meeting and Wally offering the prayer.

Wally announced that he has a new granddaughter born this morning! Steve Hamilton and Eric are both celebrating anniversaries this week. Rex said that he and his wife traveled to visit former member, Max Schardein and his wife Judy last week. They are both doing well. Judy has had a bout with cancer but seems well. Max has joined the local Lions Club.

Tom passed out a peanuts sign-up sheet. Peanut Days will be Sept 16 and 17. Steve Grimes and Tom demonstrated how Peanut Day works. Our three locations this year are Schnucks, Wal-Mart and K&K.

Jim told the group that the Board met the night before. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Sept 27 meeting. Maria plans on using that meeting for planning for the year.

Christina Henzen was inducted as our newest member. Christina and her family live in Bettendorf. She works for Triumph Consulting.

Bev announced that Jim Tiedje has been awarded Distinguished Member by



Kiwanis International. The criteria to be named a Distinguished Member are: to recruit 2 new members, participate in 2 service projects, and to attend the International or District convention. Bev received an email from International President Sylvester Neal congratulating Jim and inviting him to the International Convention next year in New Orleans. At the convention Jim will be honored with other distinguished members from Kiwanis clubs across the world. Congratulations Jim!

One of our speakers, Therron, won \$3 in the raffle which he donated back to the club. Steve G. drew a black marble.

Steve introduced our speakers, Jim Spelhaug, Superintendent of Pleasant Valley Schools, and Therron Schutte, Superintendent of Bettendorf Schools.

Their topic was the Revenue Purpose Statement that will be on the ballot on September 13 during the school board elections. This issue is a factor in the quality of our schools. It will be called Proposition A on the ballot.

The original vote for the one cent sales tax to be used for school infrastructure was voted on by Scott County in March 1999. In March 2008 the voters extended the once cent sales tax for another ten years.

In 2008, the state legislature changed the authority from county to state wide. Because of this change, residents need to vote this year. The approval of the one cent sales tax will not increase the tax or change how the revenue is used. It would simply allow the school district to use the funds generated to continue to build or renovate schools or additions.

Program Chair for September—Chad Raeside

September 13—NO MEETING

Thursday, September 15
The Outing Club

*The quieter you become,
the more you can hear.*
Ram Dass