

The Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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MEETING LOCATION

Rastrelli's Restaurant:
Tuscany Event Center
2417 Cleveland St.
Clinton, IA

Meeting begins at 12:00

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LOVE IS NEVER GOING TO COME
EASY. YES, IT IS SCARY AND
IT'S MESSY. BUT IT CANNOT BE
OPTIONAL.

SO WHEN TRUE LOVE DOES ★
COME ALONG, YOU NEED TO
FIGHT TO HOLD ONTO IT.



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CLUB UPDATES

Presidential News

- **Thank You to our friends at Nelson Corp for choosing the Rotary Scholarship program for their February jeans for charity!**
- **If you would like to attend the District Conference, the event will be held both in-person and virtually, on Saturday, April 24. Please click [HERE](#) to learn more!**
- **Unless specifically noted, all meetings are both in-person and online. The access codes are the same for every meeting: Meeting ID: 873 2965 9821. Passcode: 1361**
- **We will have a District Visioning session towards the end of the year -- we are still in communication with getting a date figured out.**
- **We agreed to vote by a show of hands, Dave Sivright motioned, Christie Collins seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The 2021-2022 Slate of Officers were announced; Gary DeLacy motioned to pass the slate of officers, Dennis Lauver seconded. Passed unanimously. The membership options were presented; Doug Harridge motioned to pass the new membership tiers, effective 07/01/2021; Gary Foster seconded. Passed unanimously. The club by-laws were presented; Rod Tokheim made the motion to pass; Christie Collins seconded. Passed unanimously.**

Key Dates

Feb 08: 10:45 Board of Directors Board Meeting (Meeting ID: 819 1982 7885 Passcode: 453015)

Feb 08: 12:00 Meeting - CCC CTE Regional Center Proposal

Feb 15: Boo Bash Committee Meeting

Feb 15: NO REGULAR ROTARY MEETING

If You Read Nothing

Else... *Read this!*

Postcard from

DG 2021-22

Alka and Kiran Khanolkar

Hello!

Today is the first day of International Assembly which is being held online for the first time ever! We are receiving incoming governor training along with all our classmates from around the world. We are also getting many good ideas!

Our 2021-22 Rotary International President Elect, Shekhar Mehta announced his theme and we wanted you to be among the first to know.



We look forward to sharing the new information we are learning with all of you in District 6000!

In Rotary Friendship,

Alka and Kiran

BIRTHDAYS:

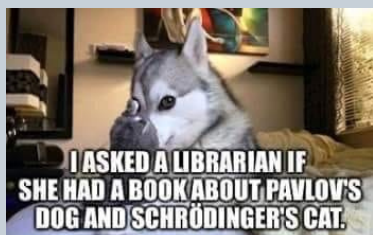
- Jerry Van Scoy Feb 01
- Peggy Sellnau Feb 03
- Carrie Donaire Feb 04
- Dennis Lauver Feb 05
- Juliann Bray Feb 23
- Rod Tokheim Feb 25

ANNIVERSARIES:

- Lori Freudenberg
 - 18 years; Feb 01 2003
- Sue Watkins
 - 7 years; Feb 03 2014
- Daniel Housenga
 - 10 years; Feb 07 2011
- Peggy Sellnau
 - 5 years; Feb 08 2016
- Theresa Nielsen
 - 2 years; Feb 11 2019
- Cheryl Frey
 - 13 years; Feb 25 2008

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Fundraising and Special Events: Nicole Hinman and Jill O'Neill
- Membership: Andrew Kida and Rod Tokheim
- Program Director: Doug Bertrand
- Foundation: Andy Fergusson
- Public Image and Relations: Jill O'Neill
- Service to Others: Carrie Donaire
- Youth Services: Peggy Sellnau



WEEKLY ROUND-UP

To watch our meeting,
please click here.



On Monday, we heard from Francis Boggus and Gary DeLacy about the Clinton's Walk of Fame. Please check out the nomination form and **PLEASE** submit one (or several!) nominations! Click here for the nomination form.

This is an excellent way to recognize people from Clinton that have made a difference in our world and bring some joy to the area.

If you have any questions, please contact Francis Boggus
francis@francisboggus.com
515-822-1434

WEEKLY STATS

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Feb 01 Meeting: \$74.00
YTD: \$2,583.16

Total collected in
Foundation: \$50

Contributions to Clinton
Rotary Foundation
\$2,700.00

TOTAL YTD:
\$5,283.16

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 17
In-person: 19
Total for Feb 01: 36

GUESTS:

- Darren Hands
- Francis Boggus
- Lesley Webster
- Isabel Hansen
- Kaitlin Betcher
- Kylie Boblin

YTD: 85

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 75
- Membership Goal: 80

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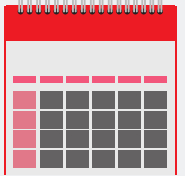
LOOKING FORWARD

FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

February 08: CCC CTE Regional Center Proposal

February 15: No Meeting

February 22: City of Clinton Update



INVOCATION



February 08: Jeff Reed

February 15: No Meeting

February 22: Braydon Roberts

PROGRAM CHAIRS

FEBRUARY: GARY DELACY

MARCH: DOUG HARRIDGE, PEGGY SELLNAU, JILL O'NEILL

APRIL: SUSIE MESECHER

MAY: DENNIS LAUVER

JUNE: RON MCGAUVAN AND SUE WATKINS



FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS



FEBRUARY:

PAUL HOLMER AND RYAN VEENSTA

MARCH:

DENNIS LAUVER

Did you know it takes a plastic bag
20-100 years to break down, yet it takes
me approximately 1 minor
inconvenience

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



ROD TOKHEIM

Q: How long have you been a member of the Rotary Club of Clinton?

A: Since June or July of 2006. I was a member in Dubuque for two years before that.

Q: Why did you join Rotary?

A: Good way to meet people when you are new to town.

Q: What is your current occupation?

A: Retired. I was Vice President at Mercy before I retired.

Q: What do you love most about your job?

A: It was intellectually challenging. I liked my coworkers, and it paid well.

Q: What's a pet peeve that you have?

A: I hate fixing anything. My wife is handy so that saves me.

Q: If you had to eat one meal every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?

A: While I like a good steak, I could survive on peanut butter.

Q: You're a new addition to the crayon box. What color would you be and why?

A: Since I like Navy Blue suits, I'll have to go with dark blue.

Q: If you could choose anyone as a mentor, who would you choose?

A: While I believe in the importance of mentoring, at this stage in my life it doesn't seem that critical to me.

Q: WHO INSPIRES YOU?

“ A: WOMEN WHO ARE RELIGIOUS. I WORKED FOR A NUN IN DUBUQUE, AND I WORKED WITH THE FRANCISCAN IN CLINTON TO HELP ESTABLISH A FEDERALLY QUALIFIED COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER. I APPRECIATED THEIR COMMITMENT TO CHRISTIAN VALUES.”

Q: How do you define success?

A: Liking your work while still maintaining a good work life balance.

Q: What's one thing - either industry-related or not - you learned in the last month?

A: As a result, I learned that Public health in Iowa needs a lot of work before the next epidemic. Their ability to effectively communicate is sadly lacking

Q: What's something about you (a fun fact) that not many people know?

A: I like to bicycle and drink wine. I rode 2000 miles last season

Q: What's your favorite '80's jam?

A: My music tastes run to 60's and 70's music and a little bit of the 80's. I am a big Rolling Stones and Dire Straights fan. This can be verified by the saved channels on my car's satellite radio.

Q: Outside of work and volunteering, what is your favorite thing to do?

A: Biking and drinking wine on the deck

Q: What's the last book you read?

A: While it is not the last book I read, the last one I could not put down was “Bad Blood Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup.” I spend a lot more time reading the Wallstreet Journal.

THANKS FOR LETTING US GET TO KNOW YOU, ROD!

FOUNDATION MINUTE

Welcome to February,
The Peace & Conflict Prevention and Resolution Month of Rotary International!

For Rotarians, February focuses on conflicts that occur throughout the world that have as their root causes: poverty, despair, economic hardship and poor health. This is precisely what the grants sponsored by TRF impact. Throughout the month of January, Rotarians all over the world were doing charitable vocations that were beneficial to all concerned.

Some clubs in St. Lucia, (United Kingdom) donated 12 computers to two high schools; some bought 10,000 masks for a school; several clubs distributed thousands of dictionaries to elementary pupils; D5450 (Colorado USA) organized internships for the homeless. By mid-January, Rotarians in 70 clubs across Nebraska and western Iowa had donated \$15,000 in a multi-district food drive. These donations were more than double with \$17,000 in matching grants from the foundations operated by the two districts.

The last week of January featured another act of kindness undertaken by Rotarians with the support of TRF. With help from a Rotary Foundation Grant, Rotary D7810 (New Brunswick/Maine) donated \$12,000 to Catholic Charities of Maine for the purchase of food for food banks in the two counties because of the increased food insecurity due to COVID-19.



Giving is more than an activity. It is a way of life and a beacon in the search for hope in troubled times. There is great turmoil today, but these are not unusual times, not in the span of human history. The wisdom of the ages is especially important to help us set our path and purpose.

(K.R. Ravindran, Foundation Trustee Chair. Rotary magazine, February 2021)

In Rotary,
Olabisi Gwamna Ph.D,
Rotary Club of Mt. Pleasant
Foundation Minute Editor

DG'S DAKIN'S FIFTH TEST

**A dose of humor, hopefully to help start your
Rotary week with a smile.**

**Proud to be a
Rotarian,
Steve Dakin,
District
Governor 2020-
21
steve@retiredf
un.net**

“Hard to get started
this morning. Spent
too much time trying
to get my orange
juice down. The
carton said
“Concentrate””

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POLIO UPDATE

No new Wild Polio cases reported this week!

What is that Polio Picture? In this picture, a happy parent holds his child receiving the Oral Polio Vaccination in Pakistan as part of a National Immunization Campaign in October of 2020 which reached over 39 million children. Included in this total were many of the 700,000 newborns born each month in Pakistan which had not previously been immunized.

Progress! Over twenty-eight million doses of the new Novel Oral Polio Vaccine Type 2 (NOPV2) are ready to ship pending preparations for distribution in the countries fighting the Vaccine Derived Polio outbreaks. The first countries to receive the new vaccine in February and March are expected to be Nigeria, Liberia, Congo, Benin, and possibly Sierra Leone.

A Win Against Polio is a Win for Global Health!

With thanks to Rotary and United Kingdom funding, Iraq re-started Polio immunization campaigns in December, reaching over 1.7 million children and providing a boost to essential immunization services during the pandemic. 2020 Circulating Vaccine Derived Polio Cases - 943: Afghanistan - 255 (0 in 2019), Angola - 3 (129 in 2019), Benin - 1 (8 in 2019), Burkina Faso - 59 (1 in 2019), Cameroon - 7 (0 in 2019), CAR - 4 (21 in 2019), Chad - 98 (10 in 2019), China - 0 (1 in 2019), Congo - 1, Cote d'Ivoire - 71 (0 in 2019), DRC - 75 (86 in 2019), Ethiopia - 21 (11 in 2019), Ghana - 11 (18 in 2019), Guinea - 39 (0 in 2019), Mali - 35, Malaysia - 1 (3 in 2019), Myanmar - 0 (6 in 2019), Pakistan - 128 (22 in 2019), Papua New Guinea - 0 (0 in 2019), Niger - 8 (1 in 2019), Nigeria - 7 (18 in 2019), Philippines - 1 (16 in 2019), Sierra Leone - 3 (0 in 2019), Somalia - 13 (3 in 2019), South Sudan - 38 (0 in 2019), Sudan - 56, Yemen - 29, Togo - 9 (8 in 2019), Zambia - 0 (2 in 2019), 361 Vaccine Derived Polio cases were reported in 2019.

Quote of the Day - "We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us."
- E. M. Forster

The Final Two Polio Endemic Countries:

- Pakistan No new Wild Polio cases reported this week. Eighty-four Polio cases reported in 2020. The most recent case had an onset of paralysis on 11/23/20. Pakistan reported 147 Wild Polio cases in 2019. Nine Polio-Positive Environmental Samples were reported this week in Pakistan.
- Afghanistan No new Wild Polio cases reported this past week. Fifty-six Polio cases reported in 2020. The most recent case had an onset of paralysis on 10/19/20. Afghanistan reported twenty-nine Wild Polio cases in 2019. No Polio-Positive Environmental Samples were reported this week in Afghanistan.

Our Goal is Global Polio Eradication!!

Terry Ziegler, Endowment/Major Gifts Adviser Rotary Region 36

Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 1/30/21



Rotary's World-wide 2020-21 Rotary Year Polio Fundraising Goal is \$150 Million – Including the Gates Foundation \$2 to \$1 Match

Our Goal is Global Polio Eradication!
A Win Against Polio is a Win For Global Health!

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

20,000,000 Children Saved from the Paralysis of Polio Since 1988

	Year-to-date 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2018	Total 2017
Total paralysis cases					
Globally	0	140	176	33	22
- in endemic countries:	0	140	176	33	22
- in post-endemic countries:	0	0	0	0	0

Wild Polio cases reported this week:
Pakistan 0, Afghanistan 0

2021 Wild Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2020 Totals)
Endemic Countries – 0 Pakistan (2020-84), 0 Afghanistan (2020-56)

Terry Ziegler, bigzumber@aol.com Rotary Region 26 Endowment/Major Gifts Adviser