

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF  
APRIL 22, 2024

## MEETING LOCATION

### **Monday Rotary**

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

### **Thursday Night Rotary:**

Second and Fourth Thursday  
of the month at 5:30,  
Rusty Barrel Lounge  
(224 5th Ave S, Clinton, IA)

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Presidential News

- Quarterly dues invoices were emailed on April 1, 2024 between the hours of 1:30 PM and 2:30 P.M. Check your email account and your spam file as the email comes from Dale's email but the address is "Intuit E-Commerce Service" [quickbooks@notification.intuit.com](mailto:quickbooks@notification.intuit.com). Please email Dale at [ddalton@wpf-cpa.com](mailto:ddalton@wpf-cpa.com) if you have any questions or did not receive the invoice on April 1, 2024. Thank you for your service to Rotary!

## HELP NEEDED

DOUG BERTRAND IS ASKING FOR HELP FILLING THE LAST SLOTS FOR 2024 - 2025 FELLOWSHIP AND PROGRAMS. EVEN IF YOU COULD DO 1/2 OF A MONTH IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED. HERE IS WHAT IS OPEN

- JULY 2024 FELLOWSHIP.
- OCTOBER 2024 AND MAY 2025 PROGRAMS.
- IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE EMAIL DOUG AT - [doug.bertrand@carpetlandusa.net](mailto:doug.bertrand@carpetlandusa.net)

## Key Dates

- April 22: Nate Vander Bleek/General Mgr/Clinton LumberKings
- April 29: Adam from Atlas Roofing
- May 06: Pratima Khatri (Senior at Pleasant Valley, running for Miss Iowa)
- May 13: Linda Wood, Junior Achievement
- May 20: Angela Boblens with Iowa Nice
- May 27: NO MEETING

## Check It Out!

- Save the Date for our Boo Bash!!!



# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## WEEKLY STATS

### ATTENDANCE:

Online: 0

In-person: 28

Total for April 15: 32

### GUESTS:

- Christopher Smith
- Gabi Torres
- Alethea Cahoy
- Matt Parbs

YTD: 189

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

April 15 Meeting: \$ 151

YTD: \$6,113

### MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 65
- Membership Goal: 84



**Gabi Torres**



Watch our  
Meeting [HERE](#)

Local artist and native Clintonian, Gabi Torres, joined us on Monday and spoke about her career and some of the amazing things she's working on.

Torres experienced her love for art at an early age, but when she lived in Seoul, she began to paint and draw and was accepted into her first art show in 2010. Fast forward to 2021, after discussing her path with her father, she was inspired to use her talents for the use of fulfilling her desire to be an artist. After that, Torres stated that she "started on a path, really a passion, and what I feel is my mission and purpose is how to utilize arts to impact our community in a positive way." Torres also shared with us some exciting news -- she's an art fellow in Iowa! "I'm also really proud to say I'm this year's one of five Iowa Arts fellows this year and I am the first from Clinton County to receive that distinction in the last 10 years."

Torres specializes in creative placemaking -- finding areas that are underutilized or need some TLC -- and creating art for those spaces. Her first project was "The Grove" (see photo below), which she created to feel whimsical and so people could have access to art. "I wanted it to be a forest of art, for refuge or for enjoyment."

Torres is looking forward to the continuation of "Paint it Back," where art murals are within the community and transform the space around it. Part of her vision is to continue this for years to come and to include more buildings throughout the town with more semi-permanent murals.



The Grove

# LOOKING FORWARD

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## INVOCATION

April 22: Kathy Klahn  
April 29: Rich Klahn

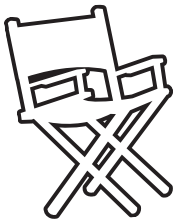
## GREETER

April 22: Rod Tokheim  
April 29: Julie Dunn



## PROGRAM CHAIRS

APRIL: SUE WATKINS  
MAY: DOUG BERTRAND  
JUNE: JILL O'NEILL



## FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

APRIL: MARY SWANSON & MARY BETH SMITH  
MAY: ANDREW KIDA  
JUNE: NORLAN HINKE



## *Celebrations*

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

- Ron Gutierrez April 04
- Sue Watkins April 04
- Ryan Veenstra April 09
- David Pillers April 12
- Joe Brown April 23
- Richard Stubblefield April 27

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Christie Collins
  - 7 yrs; Apr. 03 2017
- Dennis Lauver
  - 25 yrs; Apr. 04 1999
- Paul Holmer
  - 19 years; Apr. 06 2005
- Ryan Veenstra
  - 13 yrs; Apr. 11 2011
- Graham Timion
  - 1 yrs; Apr. 17 2023
- Sabrina Lippens
  - 1 yrs; Apr. 18 2022
- Rich Klahn
  - 13 yrs; Apr. 18 2011
- Norlan Hinke
  - 20 yrs; Apr. 19 2004
- Mike Kroemer
  - 11 yrs; Apr. 22 2013
- Lynn McGraw
  - 16 yrs; Apr. 28 2008
- Jennifer Graf
  - 16 yrs; Apr. 28 2008

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON

# R.I. ADMIN

## The Four-Way Test

1. Is it the **truth**?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **good-will** and **better friendships**?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

### Rotary Board of Directors for 2023-2024

- Braydon Roberts: President
- Carrie Donaire: President-Elect
- Andrew Green: President-Elect-Elect
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Susie Mesecher: Secretary
- Carrie Donaire
- Cheryl Frey
- Rod Tokheim
- Jill O'Neill
- Andrew Kida: Past President
- Andy Fergurson: Foundation

### Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2023-2024

- Gary Foster\*: President
- Mark Rutenbeck\*: Vice-President
- John Frey\*: Secretary
- Dale Dalton\*: Treasurer

#### **Directors**

- Jim Bruhn\*      • Kathy Klahn\*      • Paul Holmer\*
- Dale Dalton\*      • Lynn McGraw      • Andy Fergurson
- Jennifer Graf\*      • Sue Watkins

## COMMUNITY NEWS