

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF
DECEMBER 04, 2023

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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My kidnappers returning
me after listening to me talk
about **Rotary** for two hours



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NEW



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News



ROTARY DECEMBER MEMORIAL GIFT REQUEST FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year, the Clinton Rotary Club proudly awards local students with scholarships paid for from the Fellowship Weekly fines.

The past few years have proven more difficult due to COVID and lower attendance.

I am asking for help and thought people might offer an additional gift during the month of December, in honor of a Rotarian that has passed or has touched your life or career.

This could be an anonymous donation or we can print their name and any note in the weekly bulletin and announce at the meetings. Any amount helps -- and easy ways to contribute:

- TEXT SCHOLAR TO 56651
- PLEASE EMAIL doug.bertrand@carpetlandusa.net for pickup
- OR drop off to Carpetland

Checks can be made out to "Clinton Rotary Foundation" for tax deductions.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR HELPING US REACH THIS GOAL



Key Dates

- December 04: Impact Regional Blood Donation
- December 11: A'Capella Choir
- December 18: Memorial Service: Remembering Rotarians
- December 25: No Meeting
- January 01: No Meeting
- January 08: TBA
- January 15: Small Town Dreams – River Bluff Community Foundation
- January 22: Debi Durham and Michael Gould, Iowa Economic Development Authority
- January 29: Fred Young, victim of bombing at 2016 bombing at Brussell Belgium airport



Check It Out!

We will vote on the 2024 - 2025 Rotary Club Board of Directors at the **December 11** meeting. If you are interested in being part of club leadership, this is a perfect time to step forward. Interested club members should reach out to Carrie Donaire or another board member. Your thoughts and questions are welcome!

Please remember - we need more than 50% of our membership to attend to properly cast the vote. (50% plus 1). PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THIS MEETING!!!

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 2

In-person: 38

Total for Nov 27: n/a

GUESTS:

- Mindy Burggrait
- Brandon Rumler
- Rich Phelan
- Kard Marr
- Jenny Holm
- Bill Deluhery
- Keagan Bitler
- Amya Schepler

YTD: 103

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Nov 27 Meeting: N/A

Donations to the Foundation:

n/a

Foundation YTD: \$315

YTD Total: \$3317

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 73
- Membership Goal: 84

What is Supported Employment?

- ▶ Scope: Skyline Job Coaches provide services to individuals that enable them to obtain & maintain an individual job in competitive employment in a work setting that is integrated into the general workforce.
- ▶ Outcome: Sustained employment paid at, or above minimum wage and the level of benefits paid by an employer, in an integrated setting in the general workforce, in a job that meets personal career goals.
- ▶ Setting: Has to be a work setting where interactions are predominantly w/ coworkers or associates that do not have disabilities.



Watch our Meeting

HERE

Our guest this week was Brandon Rumler, the Executive Director for The Skyline Center. Rumler took over as the Executive Director last year. The Skyline Center provides multiple services to over 120 adults with disabilities. Rumler focused on one particular service that they provide in his presentation, which was Supportive Employment. The graphic above explains what Supported Employment looks like.

The Skyline Center prepares individuals for community employment including career exploration. They take tours of local businesses, do job shadowing, and seek if there is a job that peaks the individual's interest. Furthermore, they also have employment assessments, assistive technology assessments, and trial work experiences. "We'll go out for a few hours and try a job with our job coach to see if it fits the individual skill set and if it's also something that they're interested in doing," Rumler detailed. There's also extensive training and constant support for both the employer and the employee. Rumler discussed the challenges that come with supportive employment. One of the biggest issues is trying to get past preconceived barriers. "We need to keep open minds that our individuals are very capable of doing a multitude of things." Rumler continued and stated that funding for the program isn't adequate to cover the cost so that barrier is a constant aspect that needs to be taken on.

Finally, Rumler took the last few minutes of his presentation to reflect on and express the gratitude and happiness that individuals who gain employment through Supported Employment. Rumler asked, "Do you think that you have an opportunity to partner with us or know of somebody who would be a good partner for supported employment?" If you or someone you know fits this description, contact The Skyline Center's Supported Employment Director, Teresa Dolph at 563-243-4065 ext 219 or email at tdolph@skylinecenter.com.

August 9th is next year's Backyard Barbecue for The Skyline Center. Mark your calendars now!

LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

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INVOCATION

December 04: Gary Delacy
December 11: Tom Determann
December 18: Carrie Donaire
December 25: No Meeting

GREETER

December 04: Graham Timion
December 11: Rod Tokheim
December 18: Ryan Veenstra
December 25: No Meeting



PROGRAM CHAIRS

DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND & CARRIE DONAIRE
JANUARY: DENNIS LAUVER
FEBRUARY: MARSHA THRALL
MARCH: JULIE DUNN
APRIL: SUE WATKINS

FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

DECEMBER: CARRIE DONAIRE & DOUG BERTRAND
JANUARY: JOHN FREY & BRENT BRIGHTMAN
FEBRUARY: PAUL HOLMER & RYAN VEENSTRA
MARCH: DENNIS LAUVER
APRIL: MARY SWANSON & MARY BETH SMITH



Celebrations

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

- John Frey December 02
- Paul Holmer December 10
- Anna Schwarz December 11
- Ruty Rutenbeck December 12

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- David Rose
 - 6 years; Dec 11, 2017
- Brent Albrechtsen
 - 2 years; Dec 13, 2021
- Andy Fergurson
 - 5 years; Dec 17, 2018
- Kathy Klahn
 - 19 years; Dec 20 2004

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 Ferguson: 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 Ferguson
- Jennifer Graf* • Sue Watkins

COMMUNITY NEWS



Painting FOR Peace
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023
11 AM - 2 PM

RAINBOW POTTERY
231 FIFTH AVENUE SOUTH
CLINTON IA

ONE FREE ITEM
WORTH \$10 PER
PERSON FOR THE
FIRST 20 ATTENDEES

Living Peace 385 Rainbow Pottery



Downtown Tree Lighting Ceremony
Friday
Friday, December 1st
Deja Vu will be open
10am-7pm



*Annual 2023
Symphony of Lights
Craft &
Vendor Fair*

Saturday, Dec 2nd
9am - 4pm

Sunday, Dec 3rd
11am - 3pm

The Lodge at Eagle Point Park
Clinton, IA

Join us for crafts, gifts,
and delicious treats!



Jingle Bell Jam

7 DECEMBER 2023

5:00 PM
7:00 PM

The Rusty Barrel Lounge
224 5th Ave South

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