

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF
DECEMBER 18, 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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For it is in the giving that
we receive.

- St. Francis of Assisi

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News



- Congratulations to our new Board of Directors (24-25) and thank you to everyone who came so we could vote!

- We now have a new additional way to raise money at Fellowship and otherwise. This is primarily aimed at supporting scholarships but could be used in other ways. Now folks can use their phones to text-to-give. So, people who are attending online or who don't have cash with them, can still support the cause and give their "fines." They merely text the word "scholar" to 56651, designate their amount, and include their credit card information. It's as quick and easy as that.

Key Dates

- **December 18: Memorial Service: Remembering Rotarians**
- **December 25: No Meeting**
- **January 01: No Meeting**
- **January 08: Therasa Greenfield, head of USDA in the State of Iowa**
- **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!



Whittier Elementary 3rd graders got a treat last week, with Karen Vickers and Heather Farwell delivering dictionaries! Thanks, Rotarians!



Watch our Meeting
HERE

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 2

In-person: 37

Total for December 11:

39

GUESTS:

- Rita Sivright
- Tom Klahn
- Christine Holmer
- Lenny Weih
- Carlos Donaire
- Wes Golden
- Bella Galloway
- Kiersten Lubs
- Madison Schneir

YTD: 115

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Dec 11 Meeting: \$74.00

YTD: \$3,081.00

Clinton Rotary Foundation

- Mary Swanson (Scholarships) In Memory Jim McGraw, Gene Machael, Bill Andersen, LaMetta Wynn, Sister Mary Ann Phelan & Cheryl McCulloh: \$100.00

Year to date total is \$415.00.

- Paul Holmer (Birthday) \$100.00

Year to date total is \$146.00

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 65
- Membership Goal: 84

CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL'S A'CAPELLA CHOIR



LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

- December 18: Memorial Service: Remembering Rotarians Service
- December 25: No Meeting
- January 01: No Meeting



INVOCATION

December 18: Carrie Donaire
December 25: No Meeting

GREETER

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 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

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