

# The Rotary Club of Clinton

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



### MEETING LOCATION

Rastrelli's Restaurant:

Tuscany Event Center

238 Main Ave

Clinton, IA

Every Monday at 12 Noon

Vistors are welcome!

### CLUB LINKS

Rotary Club of Clinton  
Facebook

Rotary Club of Clinton  
Twitter

Interact Club of Clinton  
Facebook

### 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?

Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!  
What if Christmas,  
he thought, doesn't come  
from a store. What if  
Christmas...perhaps...means a  
little bit more!

-- Dr. Seuss

## NEWS FROM OUR PRESIDENT

**AS A REMINDER, WE WILL NOT MEET AGAIN  
UNTIL JANUARY 6, 2020.**

- We are in the process of forming the Club Board for the 2020-2021 year. Anyone interested in joining the Board and/or expanding their involvement with the Club, please contact President-Elect Shannon.
- Mark your calendars for a special Rotary event on March 8, 2020 -- Rock N Roll Bingo!!
- Did you volunteer for Program Chair or Fellowship but can't remember when? Check out **page 4** for the next several months of who does what!
- Please read the beautiful thank you note we received from Whittier Elementary on **page 5**.

## INVOCATION:

**December 23: NO ROTARY**

**December 30: NO ROTARY**

## STUDENT HOST:

**December: No Students**

## GREETER:

**December 23: NO ROTARY**

**December 30: NO ROTARY**

## FELLOWSHIP FINES:

**December 16, 2019: \$345.00**

**YTD \$4,828.00**

## ATTENDANCE:

**Dec 16, 2019: 41 / 84**

**Dec 9, 2019: 40 / 84**

**Dec 2, 2019: 45 / 83**

## MEMBERSHIP STATS:

- New Member: Shane Buer
- Current Members: 84
- Membership goal: 95

## GUESTS:

- John McCutcheon: G/O Lynn McGraw
- Svetlana Dunkin: G/O Erin Cole
- Amanda Eberhart: G/O Lori Freudenberg
- Waylyn McCulloh: G/O Cheryl McCulloh
- Lynne Durr: G/O Chuck Gustaveson
- Jami Tack: G/O Ryan Veenstra

**Guests YTD: 147**

**BELIEVE  
YOU CAN  
& YOU'RE  
HALFWAY  
THERE.**

## MEETING REVIEW



## The Rotary Remembrance Tree

We had our annual Remembrance meeting, where we honored Rotarians from our club that have passed away. Please take a moment to remember members that are gone physically, but never from our hearts:

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| • Don Anderson        | • Warren McEleney        |
| • Bill Anderson       | • Jim McGraw             |
| • Kenneth Armstrong   | • Jasper Morgan          |
| • Robert Berger       | • George Morris          |
| • Robert Bickelhaupt  | • Lambert Neill          |
| • Jim Byrnes          | • Clif Neubaur           |
| • William "Bill" Core | • Marv Ohsann            |
| • Dale Crockett       | • Edith Pfeffer          |
| • Jack Darr           | • Paul Pfeffer           |
| • Barb Faulkner       | • Sister Mary Ann Phelan |
| • Robert German       | • George Pillers         |
| • Elvin Hirl          | • Clarence Redman        |
| • Harold Hoak         | • Dave Shaff             |
| • Ed Howes            | • Betty Snyder           |
| • William Hurlburt    | • Byron Starr            |
| • Craig Johnson       | • Bruce Townsend         |
| • Reynold Jurgensen   | • Larry Troxell          |
| • Don Krambeck        | • John Ward              |
| • Kenneth Kroemer     | • Russell Willoughby     |
| • Hugh LaMonte        | • Holly Youngquist       |
| • Gene Machael        | • Dennis Zornig          |

**To view the video from our meeting, please**

**click [HERE](#).**



## FELLOWSHIP:

**January:** Andrew Kida and Douglas Harridge

## BIRTHDAYS:

John Frey	Dec 02
Paul Holmer	Dec 10
Ruty Rutenbeck	Dec 12
Douglas Harridge	Dec 29

## ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES:

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Dec 10 2018 -- 1 year

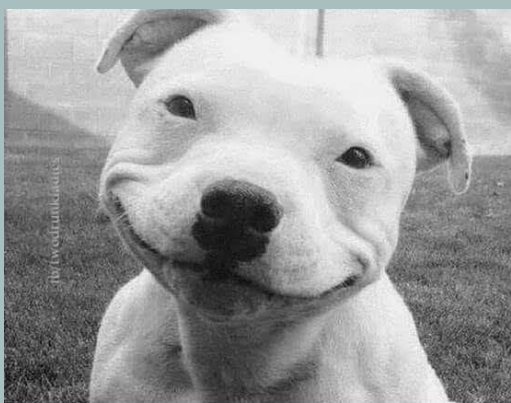
David Rose  
Dec 11 2017 -- 2 years

Andy Fergurson  
Dec 17 2018 -- 1 year

Kathy Klahn  
Dec 20 2004 -- 15 years



Sorry to interrupt  
your scrolling but  
I just wanted to say  
that you're amazing  
and you deserve to be  
happy.



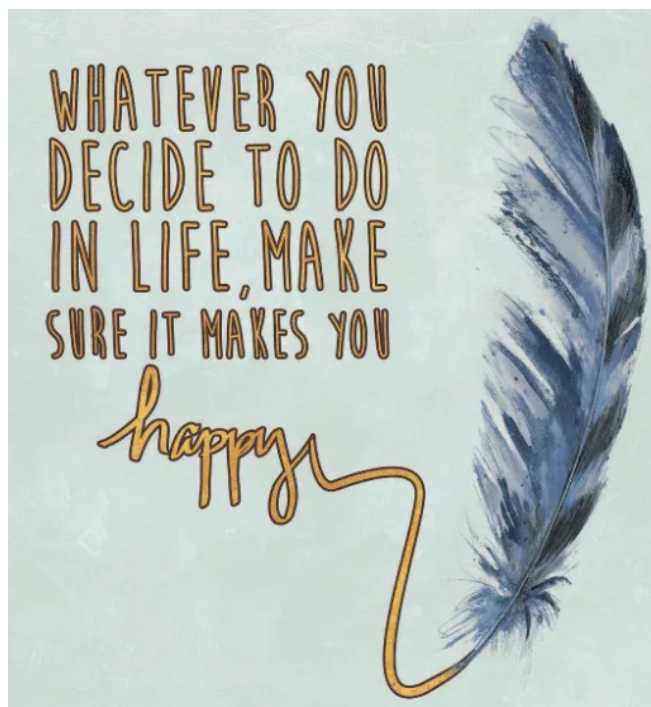
Let your SMILE change the WORLD.  
But never let the  
WORLD change your SMILE.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- **December 23: NO ROTARY**
- **December 30: NO ROTARY**

## PROGRAM CHAIRS

- **January:** Cheryl McCullough and Matt Brooke



## FOUNDATION MINUTE

In the annals of Rotary International, December is "Disease Prevention and Treatment Month." To this end, The Rotary Foundation is funding open heart surgeries for children age 15 and younger in India. These surgeries will be in collaboration with Gift of Life India and two Rotary districts: D-3170 – (central west) India and D-7255 – (Long Island) New York. This Global Grant costing \$55,000 (US), in collaboration with Gift of Life India, will provide free surgeries to no less than 16 beneficiaries.

The founder and chairperson of Gift of Life India and the global coordinator of this project is Ravishankar Bhooplapur. Bhooplapur, past Rotary District Governor and US based entrepreneur, is known for his humanitarian service, especially in his native country of India. Bhooplapur said all the surgical operations will be "free of charge to children of the poor and needy" and performed in India at The KLES Dr Prabhakar Kore Hospital. Gift of Life India has operated on and improved the lives of over 6,000 children suffering from various heart diseases and defects.

Last year Bhooplapur was engaged in another Global Grant project that raised \$100,000. That sum was then matched by The Rotary Foundation, through a Rotary Global Grant, in the amount of \$94,750. This grant is to build low-cost housing units in the flood ravaged state of Kerala, India.

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





## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Christmas Program: Doug Bertrand
- Community Service: Idell Klein
- Dictionaries Committee: \*John Frey (Fall)
- Fellowship/Program Sign-up: Doug Bertrand and Brian Wright
- Financial Committee: \*Dale Dalton
- Foundation: Brian Wright
- Fundraiser Committee: Jill O'Neill
- Grants Chair: Jill O'Neill
- Homerun Readers: Brian Wright
- Interact: Peggy Sellnau
- International Service: Christie Collins
- Josh the Otter Water Safety Committee: \*Rich Klahn (Spring)
- Kicks for Kids: Sue Watkins
- Lumberkings Event Committee: \*Dale Dalton
- Membership: Sue Watkins
- Public Relations: Jennifer Graf; Jill O'Neill RCoF C Website, Doug Harridge (photos)
- Scholarships: Rob Cassidy
- Showboat Event Committee: David Sivright
- Student Service / Weekly Student Guests: Shannon Sander-Welzien
- Sunshine: Christie Collins

Club Board Meeting: 3rd Monday of every month immediately after the Rotary meeting in the Tuscany Room.  
All members are welcome!

### Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2019-2020:

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

### Directors:

- Jim Bruhn\*
- Kathy Forrest
- Jennifer Graf\*
- Kathy Klahn\*
- Lynn McGraw
- Brian Wright



## FUTURE CHAIRS

### Fellowship Chair

**JANUARY:** DOUGLAS HARRIDGE AND ANDREW KIDA

**FEBRUARY:** PAUL HOLMER & RYAN VEENSTRA

**MARCH:** DENNIS LAUVER

**APRIL:** RICH KLAHN / JOHN FREY

**MAY:** JENNIFER GRAF

### Program Chair

**JANUARY:** CHERYL MCCULLOUGH & MATT BROOKE

**FEBRUARY:** DEE WILLOUGHBY

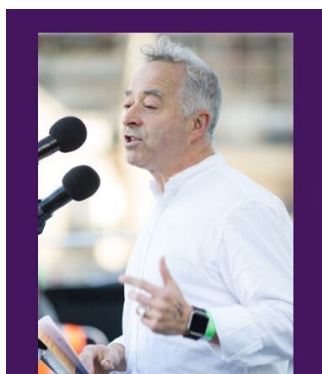
**MARCH:** RICH KLAHN

**APRIL:** RON MCGAUVVRAN AND LORI FREUDENBERG

**MAY:** MARY CONNELL AND DALE DALTON

*Love is the  
most powerful  
force in the  
world.*

*Dallin H. Oaks*



*"We are in the middle of an epidemic of loneliness. The library was my shelter. Libraries are not just about books, they are a habitat."*





## A THANK YOU...

Sue and Shannon:

... I just want you and your organization to know what a beautiful thing you are doing by providing our students with boots! I wish I could take a picture and show you the size of the smiles and the brightness in the eyes of these children when they see their boots for the first time! They are so incredibly thrilled with this gift - it means so much more to them than just a pair of boots. It means connectedness. It means belonging. It means someone cared about them and did something they didn't have to do. They feel so special, and they should!

Our little girl with the leg braces beamed from ear to ear, literally, when we opened the box for her. We told her she was like a princess, as we tried the boots on with her, and we could see she felt like a princess, too! As she left, she asked to hold the big box of boots in her little 5 year old arms, and even though balance is an issue for her, she held onto those boots like they were china, guarding and protecting them, as she made her way back to her classroom.

Our boy with the big Men's size 11's had such a look of pride in his eyes when he opened the box and left off an approving, "Wow, nice." His world is coming apart at the seams and everything he knows is about to change. He's been holding back his tears in the name of being the "man of the house," at 10 tender years of age. I've been working for two years on building a relationship with this tough kid, who could go either way right now. I could tell he didn't want to leave my office because he felt such a sense of being cared about, his heart was swelling!

Those are just two of the 15 stories of the kids you've helped here at Whittier, through your generous giving. It's been such a great contribution to our community! So a big THANK YOU!

Sincerely,  
Karla Unke