



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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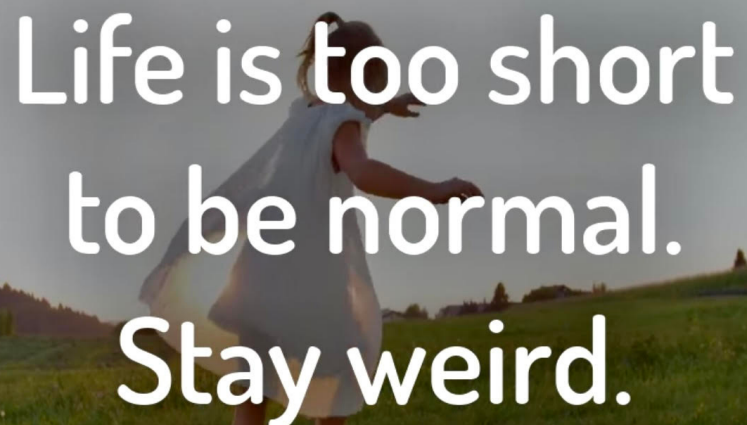
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Life is too short
to be normal.
Stay weird.

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CLUB UPDATES

Presidential News

- We're looking for a few volunteers to deliver to each of the Clinton schools. Shannon will bring packages to the February 1st meeting to distribute to volunteer Rotarians to distribute. Please let Shannon know if you plan to attend Rotary on 2/1 and can make a delivery to Bluff and/or Jefferson Elementary.
- On February 1st, we'll be presenting 3 items for Club approval: membership options, the 21-22 slate of officers, and some changes to the bylaws and committee structure. For a quorum, we need 26 people to attend in person or online. We ask that you please plan to attend where possible to ensure we have a quorum and can vote on these issues.
- 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



Key Dates

- Feb 01:** Hometown Pride Walk of Fame
- 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!*

Differences in religious beliefs, politics, social status, and position are all secondary.

When we look at someone with compassion, we are able to see beyond these secondary differences and connect to the primary essence that binds all humans together as one.

-Dalai Lama



BIRTHDAYS:

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

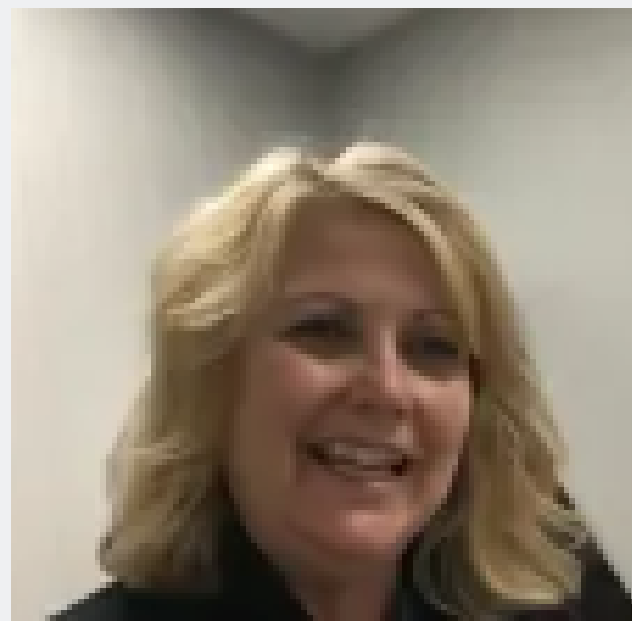
- **Lori Freudenberg**
 - 18 years; Feb 01 2003
- **Sue Watkins**
 - 7 years; Feb 03 2014
- **Daniel Housenga**
 - 10 years; Feb 07 2011
- **Peggy Sellnau**
 - 5 years; Feb 08 2016
- **Theresa Nielsen**
 - 2 years; Feb 11 2019
- **Cheryl Frey**
 - 13 years; Feb 25 2008

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Christmas Program: Doug Bertrand
- Community Service: empty
- Dictionaries Committee: *John Frey
- Fellowship/Program Sign-up: Doug Bertrand, *Brian Wright
- Financial Committee: *Dale Dalton
- Foundation: Mark Rutenbeck
- Fundraiser Committee: Jill O'Neill and Nicole Hinman
- Grants Chair: Jill O'Neill
- Homerun Readers: *Brian Wright
- Interact: Peggy Sellnau
- International Service: Christie Collins
- Josh the Otter Water Safety Committee: *Rich Klahn
- Kicks for Kids: Sue Watkins
- Lumberkings Event Committee: *Dale Dalton
- Membership: Andrew Kida
- Public Relations: Jill O'Neill
- Scholarships: Braydon Roberts and Peggy Sellnau
- Showboat Event Committee: David Sivright
- Student Service/ Weekly Student Guests: Peggy Sellnau
- Sunshine: Christie Collins

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

To watch our meeting,
please click here.



On Monday, we welcomed back Michele Cullen, Clinton County Health Manager back to Rotary. Michele gave us an update on the COVID vaccinations. Please check out our meeting to learn more!



WEEKLY STATS

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Jan 25 Meeting: \$50.00
YTD: \$2,509.16

Total collected in
Foundation: \$ 100

Contributions to Clinton
Rotary Foundation
\$2,650.00

**TOTAL YTD:
\$5,159.16**

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 16
In-person: 16
Total for Jan 25: 31

GUESTS:

- Darren Hands
 - Michele Cullen
- YTD: 79

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 75
- Membership Goal: 80

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LOOKING FORWARD

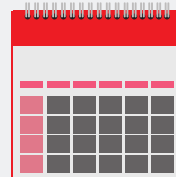
FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

February 01: Hometown Pride Walk of Fame

February 08: CCC CTE Regional Center Proposal

February 15: No Meeting

February 22: City of Clinton Update



INVOCATION



February 01: Theresa Nielsen

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 MCGAUVRAN AND SUE WATKINS



FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS



FEBRUARY:

PAUL HOLMER AND RYAN VEENSTA

MARCH:

DENNIS LAUVER

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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 Week 4 of Rotary International's Vocational Service Month!

It's the last week in the month when Rotarians worldwide focus on promoting, fostering and supporting the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations. Using the highest ethical standards and fair treatment of employers, employees, associates, competitors, and the public Rotarians should take every opportunity to promote vocational excellence by example and service to others.

The past few months have featured Rotary Clubs responding to the needs of their fellow beings through dedicated service in various areas. However, no disaster has challenged the determination of Rotarians like the on-going virulent Covid-19. Rotarians, through the support of TRF, have funded numerous projects aimed at helping frontline workers combat the debilitating coronavirus and help families devastated by the scourge. Certain situations too risky to involve human helpers in dangerously infectious environments, have not dampened the enthusiasm of Rotarians to be of help. A case in point is the recent event in India where TRF supported a Global Grant that funded robots used to deliver food, medicines and essential services to highly infectious Covid-19 patients in Assam Medical Hospital. The Tribune of India reports that the robots would be very useful in servicing patients with extremely contagious diseases inside the isolation chambers of the quarantine facilities. In his welcoming address at the occasion, the Past District Governor (D3240), Rotarian Kalpana Khound, reiterated the contribution of Rotary in fighting the pandemic. The Rotary Club of Dibrugarh (NE India) and the Rotary Club of Dhaka Royal in Bangladesh contributed to the Foundation's Global Grant.

To reduce the danger of toxic water consumption, the Rotary Club of Guwahati South engaged in a joint project with The Rotary Club of Tacoma (D5020) to purify water by removing arsenic through specially designed large arsenic-removal plants. TRF made the Global Grant of \$69,000 possible. The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds.... we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity." (Arch C. Klumph, December 1928).

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-
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steve@retiredfun.net

“Three statisticians go deer hunting with bows and arrows. They spot a big buck and take aim. One shoots, and his arrow flies off 10 feet to the left. The second shoots, and his arrow goes 10 feet to the right. The third statistician jumps up and down yelling, "We got him! We got him!"

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POLIO UPDATE

No new Wild Polio cases reported this week!

A Win Against Polio is a Win for Global Health!

2020 Circulating Vaccine Derived Polio Cases - 926: Afghanistan - 255 (0 in 2019), Angola - 3 (129 in 2019), Benin - 1 (8 in 2019), Burkina Faso - 56 (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 - 28, Malaysia - 1 (3 in 2019), Myanmar - 0 (6 in 2019), Pakistan - 110 (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 - 28, Togo - 9 (8 in 2019), Zambia - 0 (2 in 2019), 361 Vaccine Derived Polio cases were reported in 2019.

**Quote of the Day - "Forgiveness is an absolute necessity for continued human existence." -
Desmond Tutu**

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. Ten 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 26