

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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"HOW ARE YOU GOING TO
SPEND YOUR LIFE?"

"I DON'T KNOW... BUT I'M
GOING TO LIVE EVERY
MOMENT OF IT."

~JOE GARDNER



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CLUB UPDATES

Presidential News

- **Thank You to our friends at Nelson Corp for choosing the Rotary Scholarship program for their February jeans for charity!**
- **Thank you to Shane, Gary, Dennis, and Christie for delivering Rotary Cares packages!**
- **The Interact Club is getting together at the YW to assemble three more series of bags on Feb 17 at 1:00. Please come and join them!**
- **Applications for the Derecho tree removal funding will be accepted through March 10. Please help us spread the word!**
- **Sunshine Committee Duties have been assumed by Cheryl Frey, with support from Ryan Venstra. Please let Cheryl know if there are any club members that we should send our sympathies or well wishes to!**
- **With heavy hearts, we inform you that former Clinton Rotarian Jay Ginther died on February 4.**
- **If you would like to attend the District Conference, the event will be held both in-person and virtually, on Saturday, April 24. Please click [HERE](#) to learn more!**

Key Dates

Feb 15: 12:00 Boo Bash Committee Meeting at the YW and virtual: Meeting ID: 330 453 7882, Passcode: 2020

Feb 15: NO REGULAR ROTARY MEETING

Feb 22: City of Clinton Update

March 01: New CVB Director, Lesley Webster, will be presenting

March 08: Committee Break Out Meeting (more info will come soon!)

If You Read Nothing

Else... *Read this!*



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

THE 2021-2022 ROTARY THEME

BIRTHDAYS:

- Jerry Van Scoy Feb 01
- Peggy Sellnau Feb 03
- Carrie Donaire 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
- 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.



Our newest Rotarian, CCC President Brian Kelly spoke to our club about the plans for a bond referendum for CCC. This will allow CCC to expand programming into the area. The timing of this bond allows us to approve without a significant impact on taxpayers. **Did you know that 65% of jobs in our economy require education and training beyond high school?** This is why we must expand and offer more technical training to ensure members of our community have equitable access to the educational opportunities needed to succeed.

The special election for this bond is March 02, 2021.

To contact Brian, please email him at BEKELLY@EICC.EDU or call Clinton Community College.

WEEKLY STATS

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Feb 08 Meeting: \$43.00
YTD: \$2,626.16

Total collected in
Foundation: \$255

Contributions to Clinton
Rotary Foundation
\$2,955.00

**TOTAL YTD:
\$5,581.16**

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 18
In-person: 20
Total for Feb 08: 38

GUESTS:

- Darren Hands
 - Emily Frye
 - Jill Frye
 - Maddie Michels
 - Isabel Hansen
 - Kaitlin Betcher
 - Kylie Boblin
- YTD: 92

MEMBERS:

- Resignations: 1,
Nicole Hinman
- New Members: 1,
Brian Kelly
- Current Members: 75
- Membership Goal: 80



**WE
WANT
YOU!**



to help out with
fellowship!

We are in need of
volunteers for:

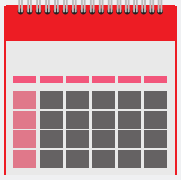
- April
- May
- June

Contact Doug Bertrand
to volunteer!

LOOKING FORWARD

FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

February 15: No Meeting
February 22: City of Clinton Update



INVOCATION



February 15: No Meeting
February 22: Braydon Roberts

PROGRAM CHAIRS

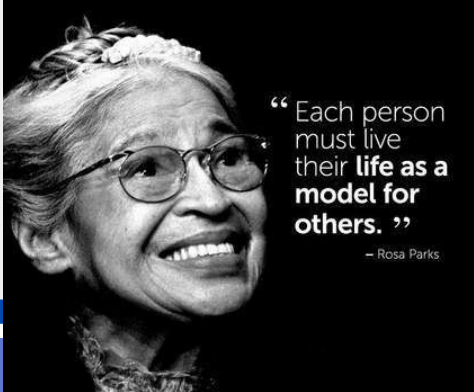
FEBRUARY: GARY DELACY
MARCH: DOUG HARRIDGE, PEGGY SELLNAU, JILL O'NEILL
APRIL: SUSIE MESECHER
MAY: DENNIS LAUVER
JUNE: RON MCGAUVRAN AND SUE WATKINS



FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS



FEBRUARY:
PAUL HOLMER AND RYAN VEENSTA
MARCH:
DENNIS LAUVER



“ Each person must live their **life as a model for others.** ”
— Rosa Parks

FOUNDATION MINUTE

Welcome to Week 2 of

Peace & Conflict Prevention and Resolution Month of Rotary International!

The news this week comes from Belarus, where TRF has provided the matching funds for the purchase of a minibus for children affected by the Chernobyl reactor explosion. The Rotary Clubs of Shropshire, Staffordshire (D1210, West Midlands, UK) and the Newport (Shrops) Lite are the sponsoring clubs with the Rotary Club of Minsk, Belarus being the host club.

Newport Rotary Lite's Chernobyl Children lead, Margie Haslop said: "This minibus will make an enormous difference to children whose tough lives have been made even worse by the pandemic in Belarus. It will mean they will be able to get to a day centre to give them and their parents a break, the foster care centre, leaving care project and – sadly – their much-needed palliative care services. The children have a whole range of disabilities resulting from the Chernobyl reactor explosion, and unfortunately many of these are life-limiting. Accessing services is extremely difficult for them and we've been told the minibus is already making a real difference to them.... As well as the serious risk of Covid, these children have multiple cancers from an explosion before they were even born, and the support given to the minibus from Newport, other Rotary clubs, schools and Furrows Telford means their lives will be better however long they are."

In her own statement, Linda Walker, executive director of the Chernobyl Children's Project Charity acknowledged the help offered by the Rotary clubs and TRF, adding "What Newport Rotary Lite has done for the children and young people we support is just fantastic...They have helped them for several years, but to get the children a new minibus will make a huge difference to their quality of life which is even tougher at the moment."

49 Fun Facts of Rotary Geography

By Rotarian Steve Garret, DG District 5450

- Were you aware that the Rotary Club of Reno, Nevada, is farther west than the Rotary Club of Los Angeles, California?
- Would you guess that the meetings of the Rotary Club of Portland, Maine, are farther south than those of the clubs in London, England?
 - Can you imagine that the Pensacola, Florida, Rotary Club is west of the Detroit, Michigan, club? It's a fact that the Cairo, Illinois, Rotary Club is south of Richmond, Virginia.
 - There are 69 Rotary clubs with the word "Tokyo" in their club names.
- The Rotary Club of Nome, Alaska, lies west of the club in Honolulu, Hawaii, and the Santiago, Chile, club is located east of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Rotary geographers will know that virtually every Rotary club meeting in Australia is east of the Hong Kong Rotary Club.
 - What do the Rotary clubs of Quito, Ecuador, Libreville, Gabon, Singapore, and Kampala, Uganda, have in common?

You guessed right if you said they all meet approximately on the equator.

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 2020-21
steve@retiredfun.net**

“
Everything will
kill you so
choose
something fun!
”

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 2020-2021:

- Shannon Sander-Welzien: President
- Christie Collins: President-Elect
- Andrew Kida: President Elect-Elect
- Braydon Roberts: President Elect-Elect-Elect
- Brian Wright: Past-President
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Jill O'Neill: Secretary
- Douglas Harridge
- Peggy Sellnau
- Rod Tokheim

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2020-2021:

- 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*

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