

NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 17, 2025

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MEETING LOCATION

Monday Rotary

Rastrelli's Restaurant: **Tuscany Event Center** 2417 Cleveland St. Clinton, IA

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ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News

Save the Date!!!
Thursday, March 27, 2025 -Food Security Summit 2025

READ ABOUT CARRIE'S
PRESIDENTIAL PROJECT
ADDRESSING FOOD
INSECURITIES ON PAGE 5!!!

January quarterly billings were emailed the afternoon of January 27. Please contact Dale Dalton if you have any questions or did not receive the email and invoice.

The 56651 number will no longer be available for making donations. Instead, people will have to use the QR code (below) or the phone number 855-800-4975.



Key Dates

- February 17: "Beyond Black History Month" mini-workshop
- February 24: "Empowerment Through Sports" with Reggie Russell

Check It Out!



Rotary Wheel built in the Children's Park of Santa Rosa de Copá



THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025 10AM - 3PM CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAREER ADVANCEMENT CENTER **1210 11TH AVE. SOUTH** CLINTON, IA

Working together on sustainable solutions to address food insecurity in our community.



HOSTED BY:





To reserve your seat, send Food Security Summit attendee information to RotaryClubofClintonIA@gmail.com. Or, Call or Text Carrie at 563-249-9416

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON WEEKLY ROUND-UP

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 04 In-person: 32 Total for February 10: 36

GUESTS:

- Jim Ballaur
- Nathan Frye
- Alivian Samuels

YTD: 182

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

• Rotary Club: \$148.00 YTD \$5,718.50

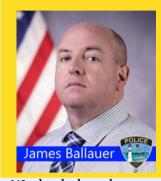
• Foundation: \$100 YTD \$837.00

YTD Total: \$6,555.50

MEMBERS:

Current Members: 69

• Membership Goal: 84

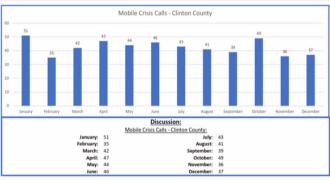




Watch Our Meeting HERE

We had the pleasure of meeting Deputy Chief of Police, Jim Ballauer. this week. DC Ballauer joined the Clinton Police Department in March 2021. DC Ballauer is a native of Chicago, Illinois. He went on to get his BS in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration from Western Illinois University, graduating in 1997, and went on to get his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice at Lewis University. DC Ballauer was in the Chicago Police Department for twenty-three years before coming to Clinton.

DC Ballauer spoke about some recent updates within CPD and then opened it up to some questions and answers. DC Ballauer first began with a breakdown of the calls received in 2024, which were 39,806. This equals



out to around 109 calls a day, approximately 55 calls per shift. DC Ballauer then discussed the Mobile Crisis Services, which he stated in Chief Gyrion's legacy to the department. The Clinton Police Department and the Eastern Iowa Mental Health have been working on a project that pairs up police department officers and trained mental health counselors to respond to calls where persons are in a mental health crisis. The service is of no cost to the citizens of Clinton. "It's been hugely effective," commented DC Ballauer.

This March, the Clinton Police Department will have the First Annual CPD Junior Academy. It will be a 12-week program and is limited to seventh graders at Clinton Middle School. The goal of this program is to positively impact our youth and hopefully guide them into a career in policing. "The ultimate goal of bringing up officers in our town...Law enforcement is getting harder and harder to find people, and we do have a treasure trove of kids here. We want to build them up from here," explained DC Ballauer.

Thank you, Deputy Chief Ballauer, for all you do!

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

- February 17: "Beyond Black History Month" miniworkshop
- February 24: "Empowerment Through Sports" with Reggie Russell

INVOCATION

FEBRUARY 17: ANDREW GREEN FEBRUARY 24: VAL HILL





GREETER

FEBRUARY 10: GARY DELACY FEBRUARY 17: TOM DETERMANN FEBRUARY 24: JULIE DUNN

PROGRAM CHAIRS

FEBRUARY: MARSHA THRALL MARCH: JULIE DUNN



FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

FEBRUARY: JOHN FREY & RYAN VEENSTRA
MARCH: DENNIS LAUVER

Celebrations.

BIRTHDAY

• Carrie Donaire Feb 04

• Dennis Lauver Feb 05

• Juliann Bray Feb 23

• Rod Tokheim Feb 25

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Sue Watkins
 - o 11 yrs; Feb. 03 2014
- Daniel Housenga
 - o 14 yrs; Feb. 07 2011
- Brian Kelly
 - o 4 yrs; Feb. 08 2021
- Cheryl Frey
 - 17 yrs; Feb. 25 2008
- Andy Sokolovich
 - o 3 yrs; Feb. 28 2022



ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON Role 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 2024-2025

- Carrie Donaire: President
- · Andrew Green: President-Elect
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Susie Mesecher: Secretary
- Carrie Donaire
- · Cheryl Frey
- · Rod Tokheim
- Jill O'Neill
- Braydon Roberts: Past President
- · Andy Fergurson: Foundation

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2024-2025

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

Directors

- Jim Bruhn*
- Dale Dalton*
- Jennifer Graf*
- Kathy Klahn* Paul Holmer*
- Lynn McGraw Andy Fergurson
- · Sue Watkins

ROTARY NEWS

Presidential Project Food Security Summit - March 2025

Goals:

- Local Initiative:
 - Host a strategic planning session for Clinton, Iowa's social agencies to address food security with county-wide participation.
 - Engage a professional facilitator to create a plan for sustainable solutions.
 - Rotary Club of Clinton acts as a catalyst for collaboration and resource sharing, funded by the Rotary Foundation.
- Awareness Campaign:
 - Produce videos showcasing Rotary's role as a convener and problem solver.
 - Highlight the club's efforts to address food insecurity and share results to inspire community support.
 - Participating agencies will have access to these materials to help support their missions.

Key Elements

- Global Impact: Since 2019, Rotary Club of Clinton has supported sustainable gardening and water management in Oaxaca, connecting clubs internationally to tackle humanitarian issues.
- Local Collaboration: The club will unify Clinton's social agencies to address food insecurity and amplify local efforts through collaboration.
- **Storytelling:** Professionally produced videos will promote awareness of Rotary's global and local impact, fostering support for initiatives.

Background & Leadership

This project reflects Rotary's commitment to service, uniting efforts for lasting change through strong networks and local relationships. Club President Carrie Donaire draws on her Peace Corps experience in food security and agriculture in Nicaragua to inform her vision, emphasizing both global and local solutions.

Details

- **Steering Committee:** Chris and Brittany Remrey, Michele Cullen, Regan Michelson, Alethea Cahoy, Andy Green, and Susie Mesecher.
- Carrie would like 100% club participation members are encouraged to share ideas, and when publicity is ready, we will ask for help to publicize and support the Summit.