# The Rotary Club of Clinton WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Rastrelli's Restaurant:
Tuscany Event Center
2417 Cleveland St.
Clinton, IA
Meeting begins at 12:00
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#### WEBSITE

 $\underline{Rotary club of Clinton.com}$ 

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS**

Rotary Club of Clinton Facebook

Rotary Club of Clinton Twitter

Interact Club of Clinton Facebook

Rotary Club of Clinton YouTube "Those who are happiest are those who do the most for others."

Booker T. Washington



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# CLUB UPDATES

## **Presidential News**

- We are looking for someone who will help with our Sunshine Committee! Please contact Shannon or Christie if you would like to be apart of this.
- We will work to have applications out by January for the Derecho grant to assist with tree removal and planting a tree in its place. If you know of anyone that would like to get on the list to receive an application as soon as it's ready, please let Shannon know.
- Did you know that you can donate through the website for scholarships, but get a tax credit from the foundation? Ask Dale for details!



Special thanks to our Interact Students for helping assemble our Rotary Cares packages! Pictured L-R: Jill Frye, Emily Frye, Kaitlyn Ready, and Teraya Ellis

# **Key Dates**

Jan 18: NO MEETING

Jan 25: Regular Rotary

Meeting

# If You Read Nothing Else... Read this!

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I have been in charge of fellowship for nearly 20 years and I am asking for your help. Rotary has had a proud tradition of offering scholarships to many future leaders from local schools.

With the challenges 2020 has presented our club scholarship fund is not on track to award these to students. Not knowing how we will be meeting in December I will not be holding weekly trivia or quizzes, but we have 3 great programs - Freezin' for Food, Clinton High Choir, and on December 21st we will remember and reflect on members who have passed with the "Reading of the Names."

How can you help? In lieu of weekly fines, I am asking for a gift towards the scholarship fund that can be made directly via the website. (Click here for the direct link.) (I will also accept donations at Carpetland.)

The students in our area are experiencing a difficult time and I know we would love to award scholarships spring of 2021.

Sincerely, Doug Bertrand Fellowship Chair

#### BIRTHDAYS:

Jeff Reed Jan 04

• Norlan Hinke Jan 07

Dee Willoughby Jan 10Mary Connell Jan 17

• Matt Brooke Jan 20

Watt brooke Jan 20

Robert Holesinger

Jan 22

• Jill O'Neill Jan 25

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

- Jerry Van Scoy
  - o 42 years; Jan 01 1979
- Brian Wright
  - o 10 years; Jan 01 2011
- Steven Howes
  - o 30 years; Jan 06 1991
- Julie Dunn
  - o 4 years; Jan 09 2017
- Claire Buyert
  - o 31 years; Jan 11, 1990
- John Frey
  - o 37 years; Jan 12, 1984
- Matt Brooke
  - o 4 years; Jan 16, 2017
- Andrew Kida
- 4 years; Jan 16, 2017

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

To watch our meeting, please click here.



On Monday, Club President Shannon Sander-Welzien spoke about changes and updates we are working on for our club

Some of these changes were feedback we received from the membership survey that went out in the spring of last year. Please click on the link above to watch our meeting and learn more about these new endeavors!

## WEEKLY STATS

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Jan 11 Meeting: \$40.00 YTD: 2,514.16

Total collected in Foundation to date: \$ 175

Contributions to Clinton
Rotary Foundation
\$2,550.00
(Click here for the direct
link to donate.)

TOTAL YTD: \$5,004.16

#### ATTENDANCE:

Online: 15 In-person: 15 Total for Jan 11: 30

#### GUESTS:

- Darren Hands
- Bonnie Epsey
- Greg Voss

YTD: 75

#### MEMBERS:

- Current Members:
- Membership Goal: 80

#### **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

# LOOKING FORWARD

### JANUARY PROGRAMS

**JAN 18: NO MEETING** 

JAN 25: REGULAR ROTARY MEETING





#### INVOCATION

JANUARY 04: CHERYL MCCULLOH JANUARY 11: RON MCGAUVRAN

**JANUARY 18: NO MEETING** 

**JANUARY 25: SUSIE MESECHER** 

#### PROGRAM CHAIRS

JANUARY: TOM DETERMANN 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



JANUARY:

**DOUG BERTRAND** 

**FEBRUARY:** 

PAUL HOLMER AND RYAN VEENSTA

MARCH:

**DENNIS LAUVER** 

#### FOUNDATION MINUTE

Welcome to Week 2 of Rotary International's Vocational Service Month.

The village of Sae Sabona, situated in sub-Saharan Niger, is inhabited by 7,500 individuals who eke out a dry existence on a parched landscape with no rain for 10 months of the year. When the rain finally comes in the months of July and August, much of it is contaminated; but it is the villagers' only source for drinking and bathing.

David Smith of The Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs, Colorado, described in a report how his club, working with Rotary Clubs in Vienna, Austria, and Niamey, Niger sponsored a well that provides water for drinking, bathing and irrigation for the people of Sae Sabona. The \$70,000 project was funded in a Global Grant by TRF. According to Smith, the 350-foot-deep well provides more than 1,000 gallons of clean water a day for the people. Aside from the health benefit, the well has opened a new source of livelihood for villagers. No fewer than 180 women from the community are growing high value crops such as tomatoes, onions and lettuce, on the irrigated land. Sale of these crops provides both income and food for their families. Smith admits that the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs is pleased to be part of the three-continent project aimed at combating "deep poverty". He stated that the motto of Rotary International, "Service above self," applies to both individuals and communities.

#### Vocational Service is one of Rotary's Avenues of Service. Through Vocational Service we:

- Serve others by using our unique skills to address community needs
- Empower others through training and skill development
- Inspire others to act with integrity by following Rotary's guiding principles (rotary.org)

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

"I just
realized my
garbage goes
out more than
I do."

## 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
- Nicole Hinman

### 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.