

# 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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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## PRESIDENTIAL NEWS

- OUR ALL-IOWA DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2022 WILL BE HERE BEFORE WE KNOW IT! THIS CONFERENCE IS THE FIRST TIME IN 75 YEARS THAT THE TWO DISTRICTS HAVE COME TOGETHER FOR A DISTRICT CONFERENCE. **VIEW YOUR REGISTRATION CHOICES AT THIS LINK.** THE EARLY BIRD PRICE DISCOUNT IS AVAILABLE UNTIL MARCH 22. MAKE YOUR ARRANGEMENTS NOW TO ATTEND THIS DISTRICT-WIDE EVENT AND MEET ROTARIANS FROM OUR DISTRICT AND FROM DISTRICT 5970!
- **CALLING ALL ROTARIANS!!! WE WANT TO SEE YOU!!!!** COME BACK TO THE MEETINGS FOR FELLOWSHIP, FUN, AND DAD JOKES FROM PRESIDENT CHRISTIE. IT'S A WONDERFUL TIME AND WE MISS YOU! 
- A GENTLE REMINDER THAT OUR COMMITTEE BREAKOUT MEETINGS ARE DESIGNED SO YOU CAN BE INVOLVED IN OUR CLUB WITHOUT TAKING MORE TIME OUT OF YOUR SCHEDULE! PLEASE REMEMBER TO BE HERE FOR THOSE MEETINGS AND SCHEDULE A WEEK FOR THEM IF YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF PROGRAMS.

## KEY DATES

- **MARCH 07: COMMITTEE BREAK OUT DAY**
- **MARCH 21: ROTARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING -- ID: 810 4877 6567 PASSCODE: BOAR**

*Check It Out!*



**IMAGINE  
ROTARY**

**OUR 2022-2023  
ROTARY THEME!!!**

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## WEEKLY STATS

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

FEBRUARY 28

MEETING: \$113

YTD: \$4126.00

### ATTENDANCE:

ONLINE: 7

IN-PERSON: 35

TOTAL FOR FEB 28: 42

### GUESTS:

- RYAN BIRNEY
- MEGAN ROBERT
- KAELYN GOODSMAN
- KAYLEE WILKENS
- NAIMAGO BEELER
- ETHAN BUER

YTD: 115

### MEMBERS:

- CURRENT MEMBERS:  
77
- MEMBERSHIP GOAL:  
84



Andy Sokolovich



VIEW OUR MEETING  
ONLINE BY CLICKING  
HERE.

WE WELCOMED ANDY SOKOLOVICH ON MONDAY - OUR NEWEST ROTARIAN! ANDY IS THE INTERIM CEO AND PRESIDENT OF GROW CLINTON. GROW CLINTON IS THE COMBINATION OF THE CLINTON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, THE CLINTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND THE CLINTON CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU. THIS MERGED ORGANIZATION WILL BE MANAGED BY ONE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ONE COMBINED STAFF, AND A SET OF COMBINED PERFORMANCE METRICS.

#### WHY?

- WHILE MAINTAINING EFFORTS, A MERGED ORGANIZATION WILL ENABLE INCREASED FOCUS ON KEY PRIORITIES, SUCH AS EXISTING BUSINESS RETENTION AND EXPANSION AND WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT.
- A MERGED ORGANIZATION WILL IDENTIFY EFFICIENCIES AND OVERLAPPING PRIORITIES AND PROVIDE ASSURANCE TO INVESTORS THAT THEIR INVESTMENT WILL BE MAXIMIZED
- A MERGED ORGANIZATION WILL PROVIDE A COORDINATED, FLEXIBLE APPROACH TO MEET CHANGING PRIORITIES

#### WHAT?

THE MERGED ORGANIZATION WILL HAVE AN ACTION PLAN THAT WILL FOCUS ON:

- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ATTRACTION EFFORTS THAT SUPPORT GREATER CLINTON EMPLOYERS;
- RETENTION AND EXPANSION OF EXISTING BUSINESSES, INCLUDING KEY RETAIL BUSINESSES;
- THE ATTRACTION OF BUSINESSES TO GREATER CLINTON THAT WILL CREATE NEW JOBS AND CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

THANK YOU, ANDY, FOR PRESENTING ON GROW CLINTON!

# LOOKING FORWARD

## PROGRAMS

MARCH 07: BREAK-OUT COMMITTEES



## INVOCATION

MARCH 07: ANDREW KIDA  
MARCH 14: KATHY KLAHN  
MARCH 21: CARRIE DONAIRE  
MARCH 28: RICH KLAHN



## GREETER

MARCH 07: JULIE DUNN  
MARCH 14: JULIE EGGERS  
MARCH 21: ANDY FERGURSON  
MARCH 28: GARY FOSTER



## PROGRAM CHAIRS

MARCH: DENNIS LAUVER  
APRIL: SUE WATKINS & SUSIE MESECHER  
MAY: DAVE SIVRIGHT



## FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

MARCH: DENNIS LAUVER  
APRIL: MARY SWANSON  
MAY: ANDREW KIDA  
JUNE: DALE DALTON



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

- DANIEL HOUSENGA      MAR 06
- SHANE BUER            MAR 12
- MARY SWANSON        MAR 17
- ANDREW KIDA          MAR 18
- BRIAN KELLY            MAR 24
- BILL GREENWALT        MAR 25

## MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- BRIGHAM TUBBS
  - 24 YEARS; MAR 01 1998
- ROBERT HOLESINGER
  - 25 YEARS; MAR 03 1997
- RON GUTIERREZ
  - 11 YEARS; MAR 07 2011
- GARY FOSTER
  - 24 YEARS; MAR 29 1998

## 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?

## DG'S ALKA KHANOLKAR'S R.I.S.E

THE R.I.S.E. ACTION TEAM WILL PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR INSPIRATION AND SPECIAL EVENTS THROUGHOUT THIS NEW ROTARY YEAR.

“DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE WORLD COMING TO AN END TODAY. IT IS ALREADY TOMORROW IN AUSTRALIA.”  
- CHARLES M. SCHULZ,

IN ROTARY FELLOWSHIP

ALKA K KHANOLKAR | DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2021-22

ROTARY DISTRICT 6000

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### Rotary Board of Directors for 2021-2022

- CHRISTIE COLLINS: PRESIDENT
- ANDREW KIDA: PRESIDENT-ELECT
- BRAYDON ROBERTS: PRESIDENT ELECT-ELECT
- DALE DALTON: TREASURER
- SUSIE MESECHER: SECRETARY
- CARRIE DONAIRE
- CHERYL FREY
- ROD TOKHEIM
- JILL O'NEILL
- SHANNON SANDER-WELZIEN: PAST PRESIDENT
- ANDY FERGURSON: FOUNDATION

### Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2021-2022:

- GARY FOSTER\*: PRESIDENT
- MARK RUTENBECK\*: VICE-PRESIDENT
- JOHN FREY\*: SECRETARY
- DALE DALTON\*: TREASURER

#### Directors

- JIM BRUHN\*
- KATHY FORREST
- JENNIFER GRAF\*
- KATHY KLAHN\*
- LYNN MCGRAW

## FOUNDATION MINUTE

WELCOME TO WEEK 4 OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S MONTH OF VOCATIONAL SERVICE!

THE MINUTE THIS WEEK TOUCHES TWO OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S 7 AREAS OF FOCUS: WATER AND SANITATION AND DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT. THE DAILY INTER LAKE, A LOCAL NEWSPAPER IN KALISPELL, MONTANA, REPORTS THAT THIRTEEN ROTARY CLUBS IN WESTERN MONTANA HAVE BEEN GRANTED A \$39,000 ROTARY FOUNDATION GLOBAL GRANT TO FUND ONGOING CLEAN WATER INITIATIVES IN GUATEMALA. ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER, "THE GRANT PROJECT, NAMED "CLEAN HANDS, CLEAN WATER," PARTNERS WHITEFISH ROTARY CLUB (INTERNATIONAL SPONSOR) AND ROTARY CLUB GUATEMALA WEST(HOST CLUB), WITH SUPPORT FROM THE 13-MEMBER WESTERN MONTANA ROTARY COALITION. SPEARHEADED BY ROTARIAN DAVE RENFROW, COLUMBIA FALLS ROTARY CLUB, THE PROJECT HAS INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE, SUGGESTING THAT SMALL INVESTMENTS IN CLEAN WATER CAN STIMULATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PREVENT DISEASE, AND REDUCE THE FLOW OF IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES' SOUTHERN BORDER. RENFROW SAID THE PROJECT IS AIMED DIRECTLY TOWARD MITIGATING MALNUTRITION CAUSED BY LACK OF CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION PRACTICES, WHICH RESULT IN LOW SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND SUBSEQUENTLY, LOW LIFETIME INCOMES."

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME IN THE PROJECT AREA, LOCATED IN THE WESTERN HIGHLANDS OF GUATEMALA, IS \$4.50 PER DAY, AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS. WHEN COMPLETED THE PROJECT WILL SERVE FOUR COMMUNITIES AND 2,500 RESIDENTS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF 318 HOME BIO-SAND WATER FILTERS, NINE COMMUNITY-SIZE BIO- SAND FILTERS FOR 30 FAMILIES EACH, NINE WELL-HEAD COVERS AND SUBMERSIBLE PUMPS, AND FOUR SCHOOL-SIZE TIPPY TAP HAND-WASH STATIONS.

#### FAST FACTS: GUATEMALA

- BIRTHPLACE OF THE MAYAN CIVILIZATION; CONTINUALLY INHABITED FOR 20,000 YEARS; HOME OF 3 UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITES; MOST POPULATED CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRY; TWO COASTLINES; LOCATION ON 3 TECTONIC PLATES REASON FOR MAJOR EARTHQUAKES; OVER 30 VOLCANOES 4 OF WHICH ARE CURRENTLY ACTIVE
- 90% WATER DANGEROUS TO DRINK DUE TO POOR INFRASTRUCTURE, POLLUTION, UNREGULATED SANITATION.
- ROTARY CLUB OF GUATEMALA WAS CHARTERED IN 1977.
- SEVERAL ROTARY CLUBS AROUND THE GLOBE CONTRIBUTING TO WASH AND GWP TO SUPPLY POTABLE WATER THROUGH FILTRATION SO THE HIGH MORTALITY RATE FROM WATER BORNE DISEASES COULD BE DRASTICALLY REDUCED FROM ITS CURRENT 30,000+ PEOPLE, OF WHICH 90% ARE CHILDREN.

IN ROTARY,  
OLABISI GWAMNA PH.D,  
ROTARY CLUB OF MT. PLEASANT  
EDITOR, FOUNDATION MINUTE