

The Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



MEETING LOCATION

Rastrelli's Restaurant:
Tuscany Event Center
238 Main Ave
Clinton, IA

Every Monday at 12 Noon
Vistors are welcome!

CLUB LINKS

Rotary Club of Clinton
Facebook

Rotary Club of Clinton
Twitter

Interact Club of Clinton
Facebook

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?



NEWS FROM OUR PRESIDENT

- **If you have any ideas for our next grant, please contact President-Elect Shannon or Jill O'Neill. We will be voting on the next grant idea on 03/23.**
- **Mark your calendars for:**
 - **Thursday, April 16, 2020: Our Next Make-Up meeting**
 - **Tuesday, August 4, 2020: Rotary Night at the Lumberkings**
 - **Thursday, August 13, 2020: Homerun Readers Night at the Lumberkings**
- **Please check out the recent additions to our website: www.rotaryclubofclinton.com.**
- **Read a special message about Polio from the Rotary Club of Iowa City AM on page 5.**
- **Read about Community Events on pages 6-7.**

MEETING STATS

FELLOWSHIP FINES:

March 9 2020: \$178.00

YTD \$7,045.00

ATTENDANCE:

March 9: 39 / 82

March 2: 36/81

MEMBERSHIP:

- New Member: Danny Thomas
- Current Members: 82
- Membership goal: 95

GUESTS:

- Jenny Boysen: G/O Maureen Miller
- Grace Eggers: Student at Clinton High School
- Kaylee Camp: Student at Clinton High School
- Katie Gorden: Student at Prince of Peace
- Lauren Wisor: Student at Prince of Peace
- Teraya Ellis: Student at Clinton High School
- Emily Fye: Student at Clinton High School

Guests YTD: 230

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

MEETING MINUTES



Maureen Miller

Rotarian Maureen Miller, President and CEO of the Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce spoke to our club on Monday. Maureen started her presentation to us by first saying she has been reflecting a lot about what the Chamber needs. The overwhelming theme is simple, yet complex: Change for the Future.

"Some of what we've been doing, both as the Chamber and the community...it isn't working. We need to be looking at what isn't working and get rid of it and get to work at trying the things that help us improve our situation. This is an opportunity for us to plan the seeds of what we, as a chamber and as a community, will be doing to move forward," Maureen stated.

Maureen stressed the need for remembering **respect, understanding, patience, and trust** in the future and our community. Maureen emphasized that to be successful, we need to build a bridge, instead of a wall, between the generations. To do this, we need to earn mutual respect between the generations from one to the other, for the things that have been accomplished, as well as the things that have yet to be accomplished. That bridge can't be built until we can understand each other.

The Chamber has been focusing on "Grow Clinton County" in Des Moines and trying to close the loophole on the Hotel/Motel Tax Bill, which will give an additional 3.4 million dollars annually to the top fifteen Hotel/Motel Tax counties in Iowa. Of those top fifteen counties, Clinton is number nine in generating Hotel/Motel tax. "Accomplishments are really important...I know that we're doing things, I just know we need to change *how* we are doing things." We need to make differences work for us, instead of against us. "We need to be responsive to the needs of our members and proactive in working together with the CRDC, with the City, the County, and many other organizations so we can all move forward together, regionally."

Thank you, Maureen, for the update on the Chamber and for everything you and the Chamber does for our community!

To view the video from our meeting, please click [HERE](#).

LOOKING FORWARD

INVOCATION:

March 16: Kathy Forrest
March 23: Gary Foster
March 30: Lori Freudenberg

STUDENT HOST:

March 16: Braydon Roberts
March 23: Dave Rose
March 30: Shannon Sander-Welzein

GREETER:

March 16: Kathy Klahn
March 23: Rich Klahn
March 30: Idell Klein

BIRTHDAYS:

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| Daniel Housenga | Mar 06 |
| Shane Buer | Mar 12 |
| Mary Swanson | Mar 17 |
| Andrew Kida | Mar 18 |

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES:

Brigham Tubbs
Mar 01 1998 -- 22 years

Robert Holesinger
Mar 03 1997 -- 23 years

Ron Gutierrez
Mar 07 2011 -- 9 years

Gary Foster
Mar 29 1998 -- 22 years

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

MARCH 16: ART OLLIE, BOARD SECRETARY FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, WILL INFORM US ABOUT THEIR ORGANIZATION, WHAT THEY'VE DONE, AND THE GUIDELINES TO FIND A QUALIFIED RECIPIENT FOR ONE OF THEIR HOMES.

MARCH 23: EFFIE HALL WITH THE GRINNELL ROTARY CLUB WILL BE DISCUSSING THEIR FIRST GLOBAL ROTARY GRANT - INSTALLING A WATER PURIFICATION SYSTEM IN SELECTED PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MARCH 30: TED TORNOW-CLINTON LUMBERKINGS AND THEIR BROADCASTER/DIRECTOR OF MEDIA RELATIONS, MICHAEL BROSKOWSKI WILL BE PRESENTING ABOUT THE BALL CLUB AND THE UPCOMING BASEBALL SEASON

PROGRAM CHAIRS

MARCH: RICH KLAHN

APRIL: RON MCGAUVVRAN AND LORI FREUDENBERG

MAY: MARY CONNELL AND DALE DALTON

JUNE: DOUG HARRIDGE AND JILL O'NEILL

FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

MARCH: DENNIS LAUVER

APRIL: RICH KLAHN / JOHN FREY

MAY: JENNIFER GRAF

JUNE: OPEN

~~don't cross oceans for
people who wouldn't cross a
puddle for you.~~

No, do it. Do cross oceans for people. Love people, all people. No conditions attached, no wondering whether or not they're worthy. Cross oceans, climb mountains. Life and love isn't about what you gain, it's about what you give.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Christmas Program: Doug Bertrand
- Community Service: Idell Klein
- Dictionaries Committee: *John Frey
- Fellowship/Program Sign-up: Doug Bertrand and 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: Sue Watkins
- Public Relations: Jennifer Graf; Jill O'Neill RCoF C Website, Doug Harridge (photos)
- Scholarships: Braydon Roberts and Peggy Sellnau
- Showboat Event Committee: David Sivright
- Student Service / Weekly Student Guests: Shannon Sander-Welzien
- Sunshine: Christie Collins

Club Board Meeting:

Board meetings are on the third Monday of every month. All members are welcome!

Rotary Board of Directors for 2019-2020:

- Brian Wright: President
- Shannon Sander-Welzien: Pres.-Elect
- Christie Collins: President-Elect Elect
- Jennifer Graf: Past-President
- Rod Cassidy: Scholarships
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Idell Klein: Community Service
- Jill O'Neill: Secretary
- Rod Tokheim: Membership
- Sue Watkins: Membership

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2019-2020:

- 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

FOUNDATION MINUTE

Happy World Rotaract Week


In continuation of this month's theme Rotary International, through The Rotary Foundation, continues to sponsor humanitarian projects involving Water, Sanitation and Hygiene. Attending the centennial celebration recently in Kolkata, the first Rotary Club in South East Asia, RI President Mark Maloney emphasized the continued support of The Rotary Foundation of India in immunization programs aimed not only at Polio, but the complete elimination of measles and rubella. Speaking in an interview with THE WEEK magazine, Maloney reiterated that TRF of India supports "...an array of local and international service initiatives touching on education, public health, sanitation and hygiene...to the tune of nearly **\$23 million.**"

Back in the United States, Maloney was presented with a check \$500,000 check for TRF's End Polio Now campaign at the Million Dollar Dinner, organized by Rotarians from District 6760, Middle and West Tennessee. The Rotarians of D6760 raised over \$2.3million for local service projects. At the same dinner, D6760 District Governor Huffman, acknowledged individual gifts and contribution from 36 clubs in the district. Together with matching funds from The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation these contributions will impact polio world-wide. He further explained that District 6760 has contributed no less than \$2 million to TRF. President Maloney thanked District 6760 and reminded Rotarians that in his travels around the globe, "...we see firsthand the good we Rotarians are doing around the world. We are building clean water wells, building sanitation blocks and eradicating polio. The day will come when Rotary and our partners have eradicated Polio from the face of the earth. It will be only the second disease behind small pox to be eradicated."

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- District 6000 Annual Meeting will be held on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 10:15 a.m. during NCPETS in Rochester.
- The Presidential Conference, Rotary Day scheduled for March 28 at UNESCO, Paris, France has been cancelled.

In Rotary,
Olabisi Gwamna Ph.D,
Rotary Club of Mt. Pleasant
Editor, Foundation Minute



Trust the
timing of
your life.

A MESSAGE ABOUT POLIO

Subject: Flight to End Polio Challenge from the Rotary Club of Iowa City A.M.

Dear District 6000 Club Presidents:

No doubt you have been hearing about Peter Teahen and John Ockenfels' Flight to End Polio, WWW.flighttoendpolio.com. To support this historic flight by Rotarians Peter and John, the Rotary Club of Iowa City A.M. (John's home club) is presenting you with a challenge to encourage even more support to Polio Plus. Our challenge to your club is:

- The Rotary Club of Iowa City A.M. will match 1:1, up to \$250 to the first ten District 6000 clubs whose members donate at least \$250 to the Flight to End Polio by Tuesday, March 24th. March 24th is the day Peter and John will take off and call out to us "wheels up!"
- You will be responsible for informing me (hazel-seaba@uiowa.edu) that your club has met the > \$250 challenge. We are on the Rotary honor system here.
- Your club will be recognized in the challenge results.
- Remember 100% of the donations to Flight to End Polio go to Polio Plus and will be matched by the Gates Foundation 2:1.

Don't let this challenge go unmet!

By March 24 donate at: WWW.flighttoendpolio.com



COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce
proudly presents

SHAM ROCK!

March 13, 2020 5:30 - 9:00 PM

Slop's Neighborhood Bar & Grill

FOOD | BEER | DJ

50/50 RAFFLE | POT OF GOLD DRAWING

FEATURING GATEWAY MOBILE DJ SERVICE!

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT

WWW.CLINTONIA.COM

**\$20 FOR CHAMBER MEMBERS, \$25 FOR NON-CHAMBER MEMBERS;
PRICE GOES UP \$5 AFTER MARCH 1**

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OPEN HOUSE

Wed, March 18, 2020
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Chamber Ribbon Cutting
9:30 a.m.

Bank Tours
10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m.



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Clinton, IA, 52732
563.243.6000
www.GoCFB.bank



Mentor
Clinton County

(formerly Big Brothers Big Sisters of Clinton)

PROUDLY PRESENTS...

Midwest Dueling Pianos

Friday, March 27, 2020
Wild Rose Casino, Clinton IA

Doors Open at 6, Show starts at 7



Event Sponsored by:



\$45 per person or \$400 per table of 10

Includes Heavy Appetizers and Keg Beer

Contact 563-243-4223 or director@bbbsclinton.org
For Ticket Information



FRI, MAR 27 AT 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Skyline Foundation, Inc. Soup
Supper Fundraiser**