

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 31, 2025

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MEETING LOCATION

Monday Rotary

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

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- Facebook
- LinkedIn
- YouTube

A star wants to see himself rise to the top.
A leader wants to see those around him rise to the top.

- SIMON SINEK

BRIAN TRACY
- INTERNATIONAL

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ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News

Clinton Rotarians:

Would anyone in our club like to put a silent auction basket together for the District Conference? We could feature items from our community and our club. The silent auction funds support the District 6000 Endowment Fund. The basket needs to be created by April 1. Please reach out to Carrie if you are interested in organizing a Clinton Basket!



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

- March 27: Food Insecurity Summit
- March 31: Justin Nylin, Director of Operations, MercyOne. TogetherCare Initiative and What it Means for You
- April 07: Camanche Public Library Renovations: Gail Grimm-Library Director, Shannon McManus-Library Board President, Dave Bowman-Camanche City Council, Andrew Kida-City Administrator
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Check It Out!

Rotary Four-Way Test: A Nonpartisan Ethical Guide for Rotarians

Rotarians use the Four-Way Test, a nonpartisan and nonsectarian tool consisting of questions about thinking, speaking, and acting, to guide their relationships in personal and professional settings.

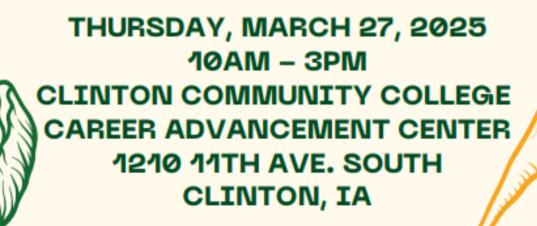
Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?









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



HOSTED BY:



THE Community's College



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: 02 In-person: 32 Total for March 24: 34

GUESTS:

- Jason Craft
- Kristen Barco-Kida
- Zane Pennock
 YTD: 201

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Rotary Club: \$N/A
 YTD \$6,098.50

• Foundation: N/A YTD \$877.00

YTD Total: \$6,975.50

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 69
- Membership Goal: 84



We were greeted on Monday with a wonderful presentation from City Engineer Jason Craft and Zane Pennock, Assistant City Engineer, about The Drive to Prosperity. The Drive to Prosperity is a project that will enhance Manufacturing Drive and Bluff Boulevard in Clinton, Iowa to update numerous structures within and around this major area of travel. The enhancements will benefit safety, education, retail, and manufacturing, as well as improve the quality of life in the City of Clinton on a roadway that has 15,600 vehicles on a non-school day.

The City of Clinton was awarded \$15,000,000 dollars from the FY21 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability ${\mathcal E}$ Equity (RAISE) grant. Clinton was the only RAISE grant recipient in the State of Iowa. In addition to the RAISE Grant, the State of Iowa Transportation is providing \$6.6 million to the project, the City's local match is \$13.3 million. The project will reconstruct and improve approximately 4 miles of roadway, from the intersection with US HWY 30 to 7th Avenue North. The project includes reconstructing two bridges, converting the roadway into a 3-lane section with added turn lanes all at major intersections, adding a roundabout at South 19th Street, interconnecting traffic signals, separating sewer and sanitary lines, and installing bio-swales to capture rainwater and filter stormwater. It will also upgrade traffic signals, install sidewalks and a bicycle route, add transit shelters, and modify intersections.

Important Dates

- Spring 2025 Manufacturing Drive construction begins (Highway 30 - College Dr.)
- Spring 2026 Bluff Boulevard construction begins
- Fall 2027 Project completion

Stay Up to Date on the project through their website: https://drivetoprosperity.com/

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

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<u>INVOCATION</u>

MARCH 31: KATHY KLAHN APRIL 07: DENNIS LAUVER APRIL 14: RON MCGAUVRAN APRIL 21: LYNN MCGRAW

APRIL 28: BRAYDON ROBERTS





GREETER

MARCH 31: JOHN FREY APRIL 07: RAY GIMENEZ APRIL 14: WES GOLDEN APRIL 21: JENNIFER GRAF APRIL 28: ANDY GREEN

PROGRAM CHAIRS

MARCH: JULIE DUNN APRIL: SUE WATKINS

MAY: MARY CONNELL & DALE DALTON

JUNE: JILL O'NEILL



APRIL: MARY SWANSON
& MARY BETH SMITH
MAY: ANDREW KIDA
IUNE: NORLAN HINKE



BIRTHDAY

Marsha Thrall

Daniel Housenga

Mary Swanson

• Andrew Kida

• Brian Kelly

• Levi Jones

• Sue Watkins

• Lindsay Morhardt

• Ryan Veenstra

• David Pillers

• Joe Brown

March 01

March 06

March 17

March 18

March 24

April 02

April 04 April 07

April 09

April 12

April 23

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

• Brigham Tubbs

o 27 yrs; Mar. 01 1998

• Gary Foster

o 27 yrs; Mar. 29 1998



ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON R.I. 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.