

The Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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MEETING LOCATION

MONDAY ROTARY

RASTRELLI'S RESTAURANT:
TUSCANY EVENT CENTER
2417 CLEVELAND ST.
CLINTON, IA

THURSDAY NIGHT ROTARY:

SECOND AND FOURTH THURSDAY OF
THE MONTH AT 5:30,
RUSTY BARREL LOUNGE
(224 5TH AVE S, CLINTON, IA)

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- [YOUTUBE](#)



At Frankfurt Airport, the Rotary Club of Frankfurt-Paulskirche and Fraport AG planted 13,000 tulip bulbs to draw attention to Rotary International's major global project to eradicate Polio.

PHOTO FROM ROTARIAN
EVAN BURRELL



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PRESIDENTIAL NEWS

- WE HAD A QUORUM THIS WEEK AND ELECTED ANDY GREEN AS THE PRESIDENT ELECT-ELECT (2025-2026)! CONGRATULATIONS, ROTARIANS, AND THANK YOU FOR COMING TO OUR MEETING - WE'VE MISSED YOU ALL. 
- WE NEED HELP WITH THE BOO BASH!!! PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP OUT WITH THE COMMITTEE. :) 
- SAVE THE DATE FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 23 -- THIS WILL BE OUR ANNUAL SHOWBOAT NIGHT AND WE WILL BE SEEING MEL BROOKS' "YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN"
- JUNE 26 IS OUR ANNUAL NIGHT OUT AT THE LUMBERKINGS! MARK YOUR CALENDAR.



Rotarians Jill O'Neill and Dale Dalton met up in Las Vegas this week!

KEY DATES

- MAY 01: KIMBERLY DICKEY OF ROCK CREEK SOLAR, LLC, WILL SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ROCK CREEK SOLAR PROJECT IN CAMANCHE, IA.
- MAY 08: TED TORNOW WITH THE LUMBERKINGS
- MAY 15: AN UPDATE FROM CLINTON COUNTY SHERRIFF BILL GREENWALT
- MAY 22: TBD

Check It Out!



Congratulations to John Frey, who received the Guardian of Integrity Award & Andrew Ferguson, who spearheaded our 100% Paul Harris contribution from our club!!! Congratulations and you've made us so proud!



WEEKLY ROUND-UP

WEEKLY STATS

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

APRIL 24: \$214
YTD TOTAL: \$5699

SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS
TO FOUNDATIONS YTD: \$1,500
TOTAL: \$7,199

ATTENDANCE:

ONLINE: 6
IN-PERSON: 42
TOTAL FOR APRIL 24: 48

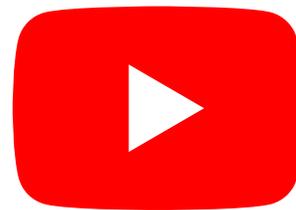
GUESTS:

- KAREN RIGBY
- CHRISTOPHER SMITH
- THERESA JUDGE
- MATT PARBS
- MARTINA FLURK

YTD: 150

MEMBERS:

- CURRENT MEMBERS: 77
- MEMBERSHIP GOAL: 84



Watch our meeting here

At our meeting this past Monday, Chris Streets joined us to discuss the Clinton Area Showboat Theatre. Streets is the current Vice President of the Showboat Board and his love for it goes back to the early 1980s! As many people are aware, the Showboat is in financial distress. In the last six to eight weeks, they have seen some pick-up in the finances, but even with that, they're still struggling. Right now, Streets stated that the Showboat is a little short of 50% of their budget. When the Clinton Herald ran the article about the Showboat, they were at about 10% of the budget. Some of the finances that the Showboat sees are royalties for the shows, building the sets, paying the cast and crew, etc. The budget this year is just shy of \$300,000.

"Covid was quite painful for us," explained Streets. "2021 we were forced to do half the season outside. Ticket sales were not great. We had to build things that we never had to build before because we didn't have our normal theater, so prices were up and expenses were high. We had to do COVID testing on all of our actors, all of our crew members, all the cast members, anybody who came through the boat that was there for a long period of time had to be tested."

Despite the financial distress, the Showboat is forging on. This season will feature Leading Ladies (June 1-June 11), Young Frankenstein (June 15-June 25), Cinderella (June 29-July 16), Spongebob Musical (July 20-July 30), and Murder for Two (August 3-August 13). Please get your tickets at <https://www.clintonshowboat.com>, where you can also make a donation to help keep the Showboat afloat! :)

LOOKING FORWARD...

PROGRAMS

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INVOCATION



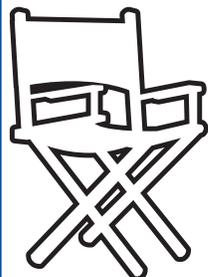
MAY 01: BRIAN KELLY
 MAY 08: ANDREW KIDA
 MAY 15: RICH KLAHN
 MAY 22: DENNIS LAUVER
 MAY 29: HOLIDAY

GREETER

MAY 01: CHERYL FREY
 MAY 08: JOHN FREY
 MAY 15: JENNIFER GRAF
 MAY 22: ANDY GREEN
 MAY 29: HOLIDAY



PROGRAM CHAIRS



APRIL: ANDY SOKOLOVICH
 MAY: MARY CONNELL & DALE DALTON
 JUNE: JILL O'NEILL

FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

MAY: ANDY SOKOLOVICH & ANDY GREEN
 JUNE: NORLAN HINKE



Celebrations

MAY BIRTHDAYS:

- PETE CLAUSEN MAY 5
- BRAYDON ROBERTS MAY 11
- GARY DELACY MAY 12

Happy everything

MAY ANNIVERSARIES:

- G. WYLIE PILLERS
 - 43 YEARS; MAY 01 1980
- MARY SWANSON
 - 24 YEARS; MAY 03 1999
- ELIZABETH SRP
 - 6 YEARS; MAY 08 2017
- LEATHA MELTON
 - 1 YEAR; MAY 24 2022
- GRANT MELTON
 - 1 YEAR; MAY 30 2022

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?

The History of the Rotary Bell

In 1922, U.S. Rotarians organized an attendance contest; the challenge was that the losing clubs would join in giving the winning club a prize. The Rotary Club of New York City was declared the winner and to them was awarded as a prize a bell from a popular patrol boat, which was placed on wood that came from HMS "Victory", Admiral Nelson's vessel at the battle of Trafalgar. Since then, the bell used in Rotary meetings started to represent, as on the ships, order, discipline and the time to guide us through the weekly hour and a half meetings. The bell informs us with its sound the beginning of the Rotary meeting, at which time people present should stand, same as at the end, in order to salute the national and Rotary flags. The gavel symbolizes the authority invested in the Rotarian elected to the highest position in Rotary, and through him/her reminds those present of his/her authority. When presidents transmit their positions to their successors at the end of their mandate, they give the bell their last hit turning the gavel over to their successor, symbolizing the transfer of authority.



Rotary Board of Directors for 2022-2023

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

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2022-2023:

- 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

WELCOME TO WEEK 4 OF RI'S MONTH OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

ROTARY CLUB OF JAIPUR ROUND TOWN, RID 3054 AND ROTARY CLUB OF RAJDHANI, RID 3292 (NEPAL) COLLABORATED TO ESTABLISH THE RENAL SCIENCES CENTER AT THE RAJASTHAN HOSPITAL IN JAIPUR THROUGH A ROTARY FOUNDATION GLOBAL GRANT WORTH \$288,000 USD. IN A REPORT BY TEAM ROTARY NEWS, THE RF-SPONSORED CENTER WILL PROVIDE LOW-COST DIALYSIS AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES LIKE RETINOPATHY AND NEUROPATHY TO LESS PRIVILEGED PATIENTS. PROJECT COORDINATOR, PDG RAMESH AGRAWAL SAID THAT THE PROJECT HAS ALREADY BENEFITTED OVER 5,500 PATIENTS. THE NEW FACILITY WILL PROVIDE A COMPLETE SPECTRUM OF CARE FROM SIMPLE DIALYSIS TO A RENAL TRANSPLANT PROCEDURE, CATARACT AND LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERIES AND OTHER RELATED TREATMENTS AT MUCH LOWER COSTS THAN PRIVATE HOSPITALS. IT HAS ALSO HELPED IN PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES BY TRAINING OVER 100 PARAMEDICAL STAFF. (SOURCE: [HTTPS://ROTARYNEWSONLINE.ORG/A-RENAL-CARE-CENTRE-IN-JAIPUR/](https://rotarynewsonline.org/a-renal-care-centre-in-jaipur/))

FUN FACTS ABOUT JAIPUR, INDIA.

- THE PINK CITY...SO NAMED WHEN IN 1876, THE PRINCE OF WALES AND QUEEN VICTORIA VISITED INDIA AND THE MAHARAJA OF JAIPUR ORDERED THE WHOLE CITY PAINTED PINK. SINCE THEN, IT HAS BECOME THE COLOR OF HOSPITALITY
- CAPITAL CITY OF RAJASTHAN STATE, NW INDIA.
- FIRST PLANNED CITY IN INDIA, STARTED IN 1726 AND COMPLETED IN 4 YEARS.
- POPULATION IN 2023: 4,207,000
- HOSTS WORLD'S LARGEST FREE LITERARY FESTIVAL
- HAS THE MOST EXPENSIVE HOTEL SUITES (THE RAJ MAHAL PRESIDENTIAL SUITE IS \$50,000 PER NIGHT)
- JAIPUR HAS THE BIGGEST CIRCULAR PARK IN ALL OF ASIA.
- RID 3054 IS HOME TO OVER 125 CLUBS.

IN ROTARY,

OLABISI GWAMNA, CLUB SECRETARY
MOUNT PLEASANT ROTARY,
EDITOR, FOUNDATION MINUTE