



Rotary
Club of Clinton



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 19, 2025

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MEETING LOCATION

Monday Rotary

Rastrelli's Restaurant:
Tuscany Event Center
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ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News

Boo Bash Alert!!!! Our Annual Boo Bash is coming up...circle it now on your calendars for Friday, October 24, 2025! Boo Bash Committee is looking for new members -- they're meeting monthly in May and June and then weekly in July, on Wednesdays at 4:00 at the Rusty Barrel.

Save the Date! Our tentative Showboat Outing date is scheduled for Friday, June 13! We will be seeing The Addams Family. We will have a pre-party at the Brewery again and have a bus for transportation. More information will come soon!

Save the Date (again!) for the Passing of the Gavel and Rotary's Night at the Lumberkings! Our night will be on Thursday, June 26. Carrie will be wrapping up her Rotary year at the game and will Pass the Gavel to Andy Green. Mark your calendars NOW!

If you can volunteer to help with the RYLA Camp at Grinnell College, it's from July 26 - August 1. Please reach out to Carrie for more information!

Key Dates

- Thursday, May 15: Downtown Clean Up!
- May 19: Victory Center 2.0
- May 26: NO MEETING
- Friday, June 13: Showboat Outing
- Saturday, June 21: Outreach at the Lyons' Farmers Market
- Thursday, June 26: Rotary Night at the Lumberkings & Passing of the Gavel
- Saturday, June 28: District 6000 Passing of the Gavel

Check It Out!



The Rotary group will gather on Thursday, May 15 in front of Zirkelbach Appliance on 5th Ave S.

The clean up time that afternoon is 1:30 – 6pm. Come when you can and stay as long as you like! Participants should bring any gloves and garden tools they have. Some tools are available from Downtown Clinton.

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Congratulations!

Our 2025 Scholarship Winners!

- Chase Christiansen
- Sescie Haan
- Addison Holst
- Emeree Luett
- Leah Mangelsen
- Parker Messerich
- Kaylee Moeller

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 02

In-person: 30

Total for May 12: 32

GUESTS:

- Mia Tubbs
- Haylee House
- Addie Lorenzen

YTD: 229

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

- Rotary Club: \$222
- YTD \$8,274.50

- Foundation: \$N/A
- YTD \$4,494.00

YTD Total: \$12,768.50

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 69
- Membership Goal: 84



Sheriff Bill Greenwalt



**WATCH OUR
MEETING HERE!**

During our last Rotary meeting, Sheriff Bill Greenwalt joined us and discussed the changes that have happened in the last year with the Sheriff department and Clinton County. Greenwalt is no stranger to our club, as a former Rotarian and a presenter. Greenwalt has been in law enforcement for over thirty years.

Sheriff Greenwalt talked about some of the positive and negative things he has seen on the job. One positive that Greenwalt and other agencies worked together to bring is the Resource Center, which is designed to help people who have been incarcerated get back on their feet when released. Another positive was appointing Steve Diesch as his Chief Deputy, which is who Greenwalt ran against. Greenwalt shared with us that this was one of his best decisions. "Honestly, where his strong suit was, maybe was my not such strong suit and together, we've made a great team over the last six years."

A frustration Sheriff Greenwalt talked about is the negativity that brews in the community and on social media about Clinton and the surrounding areas. "We have such a great community," Greenwalt explained. "You know what? We have a safe community...I think one of the best parts of my job is I've been paid to drive around and look at every part of this community -- the first thirty years was strictly in the city of Clinton and the last six have been in the entire county. And boy, I'll tell you we should be thankful for what we have."

One thing Sheriff Greenwalt discussed with us was regarding mental health and substance abuse. Sheriff Greenwalt talked about how devastating it feels to respond to a call numerous times about a person who is obviously experiencing a mental health crisis, only to have to deliver a death notice to their family after months of trying to get them help. Unfortunately, the program that helped get mental health advocates riding in the squad cars had to end due to budget constraints, which Greenwalt said he hopes they rethink losing that money. "That was probably the best thing that we've done as a community for mental health in a long time." Greenwalt also explained that without the mental health advocates deescalating the situation, "Now mental health just turned into a crime," as people who are in a mental health crisis often are thinking they need to fight the police who show up to help.

Thank you, Sheriff Greenwalt, for all of your dedication to Clinton County!

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

- May 19: Victory Center 2.0
- May 26: NO MEETING

INVOCATION

MAY 19: MARY BETH SMITH
MAY 26: NO MEETING



GREETER

MAY 19: KATHY KLAHN
MAY 26: NO MEETING



PROGRAM CHAIRS

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



FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

MAY: ANDREW KIDA
JUNE: MARSHA THRALL

Celebrations

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

- Pete Clausen May 05
- Braydon May 11
Roberts
- Gary DeLacy May 12
- Mary Beth May 24
Smith

HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY

- Mary Swanson
 - 26 yrs; May 03 1999
- Mary Beth Smith
 - 3 yrs; May 23 2022



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 Fergusson: Foundation

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2024-2025

- Gary Foster*: President
- Mark Rutenbeck*: Vice-President
- John Frey*: Secretary
- Dale Dalton*: Treasurer

Directors

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| • Jim Bruhn* | • Kathy Klahn* | • Paul Holmer* |
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COMMUNITY NEWS

