Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10, 2025

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MEETING LOCATION

Monday Rotary
Rastrelli's Restaurant:
Tuscany Event Center
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Clinton, IA

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Presidential News

Start Planning Now! Our District Conference will be on May 01 in Coralville. You can add it to your calendar NOW. 🙂

Program Chairs: Presenters need to email presentations to the Rotary Gmail and bring them on a flash drive to ensure a smooth presentation! Please and thank you. 🙂

If you can help sponsor the Victory Center's Thanksgiving Meal, please contact Pastor Ray Gimenez!

Welcome (officially) to our Club, Derek Pillars and Christopher Smith!

Key Dates

- November 10: Al Loffelholz Discussing CPR
- November 17: Ari Lewerenz, Dambo Trolls project
- November 24: Alex Mangler of RSVP will present about the Holiday Network
- December 01 : Steve Fiine - "Early Self - Detection and Prevention of Melanoma"
- December 08: CHS Choir
- December 15: Gary Dolphin, Voice of the Iowa Hawkeyes
- December 22: NO MEETING
- December 29: NO MEETING

Check It Out!

End Polio Hike in Ekiti State, Nigeria.

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 02
In-person: 40
Total for November 03: 42

GUESTS:

- Sheila Tjaden
- Jon East
- Ausha Wiedisin
- Amanda Diers
- Jaylynn DeBoer
- Haylee House
- Aubrey Fergurson
- Alexis Endreshak
- Marissa Bloyd

YTD: 95

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

- Rotary Club: $206
  YTD: $3,101.00
- Foundation: $40
  YTD: $165.00

YTD Total: $3,266.00

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 67
- Membership Goal: 84

ENERGIZE CLINTON
POWERED BY
Community Heart & Soul

Watch Our Meeting Here

At this week's Rotary meeting, members heard from Alethea Cahoy of the River Bluff Community Foundation, who presented an update on the Energize Clinton initiative—a community-driven effort to invest in Clinton's long-term vitality.

Founded in 2005, the River Bluff Community Foundation builds endowments and supports local nonprofits, schools, and community projects. Through its Energize Clinton program, the Foundation aims to create a $450,000 permanent endowment to fund projects that make Clinton a better place to live, work, and play. The initiative began with the Community Heart & Soul process, which gathered feedback from over 1,200 residents to identify what matters most to the community.

Clinton is one of only 10 communities selected for a $100,000 challenge grant, contingent on raising $375,000 locally. Once completed, the endowment will generate $20,000–$25,000 annually for local projects. The campaign is currently in its "quiet phase," focusing on one-on-one outreach to community leaders and residents.

Recognizing the project's alignment with Rotary's mission, the Rotary Board and Foundation have committed to a dollar-for-dollar match up to $10,000 for all member donations made through the Rotary Foundation by December 31. Additionally, a non-Rotarian supporter has pledged a $5,000 match if Rotarians collectively contribute $5,000.

This partnership represents an opportunity for Rotary to lead by example, helping Energize Clinton cross its next milestone and unlock additional matching funds. Members are encouraged to consider personal contributions or pledges toward this effort—an investment in the community's future and a tangible way to "Unite for Good."

LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

- NOVEMBER 10: AL LOFFELHOLZ DISCUSSING CPR
- NOVEMBER 17: ARI LEWERENZ, DAMBO TROLLS PROJECT
- NOVEMBER 24: ALEX MANGLER OF RSVP WILL PRESENT ABOUT THE HOLIDAY NETWORK

INVOCATION

NOVEMBER 10: MARY CONNELL
NOVEMBER 17: DALE DALTON
NOVEMBER 24: SAVANNAH DAUGHERTY

GREETER

NOVEMBER 10: KAREN VICKERS
NOVEMBER 17: RYAN VEENSTRA
NOVEMBER 24: BRENT ALBRECHTSEN

PROGRAM CHAIRS

NOVEMBER: HEATHER FARWELL
DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND

FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

NOVEMBER: DAVE SIVRIGHT & SUSIE MESECHER
DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND

Celebrations

- Claire Buyert — Nov 09
- Dale Dalton — Nov 15
- David Rose — Nov 20
- David Sivright — Nov 22

- Dale Dalton
  - 47 yrs; Nov. 01 1978
- Gregory Jasper
  - 30 yrs; Nov. 01 1995
- Braydon Robert
  - 7 yrs; Nov. 12 2018
- David Sivright
  - 33 yrs; Nov. 16 1992

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 2025-2026

- Andrew Green: President
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Carrie Donaire: Past-President, International Service
- Andy Fergurson: Foundation
- Paul Holmer: Fundraising
- Susie Mesecher: Secretary
- Jill O'Neill: Public Image
- Braydon Roberts: Service to Youth
- Rod Tokheim: Sergeant-at-Arms
- Sue Watkins and Cheryl Frey: Community Service Projects

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2025-2026

- Gary Foster*: President
- Kathy Klahn*: Vice-President
- John Frey*: Secretary
- Dale Dalton*: Treasurer

Directors

- Jim Bruhn*
- Dale Dalton*
- Jennifer Graf*
- Kathy Klahn*
- Lynn McGraw
- Sue Watkins
- Paul Holmer*
- Heather Farwell

ROTARY MOMENTS