

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF  
NOVEMBER 11, 2024

## MEETING LOCATION

### **Monday Rotary**

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

### **Thursday Night Rotary:**

Second Thursday of the  
month at 5:30,  
Rusty Barrel Lounge  
(224 5th Ave S, Clinton, IA)

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# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Presidential News

DECEMBER 02, 2024 MEETING WILL BE AT GREAT REVIVALIST BREWERY

11:45 – 12:15 MEAL

12:15 – 1:00: GUIDED TOUR OF THE BREWERY

ROTARY SIGN-UP SHEET

YOU CAN RSVP TO DOUG BERTRAND

563 - 357-1564 or EMAIL [doug.bertrand@carpetlandusa.net](mailto:doug.bertrand@carpetlandusa.net)

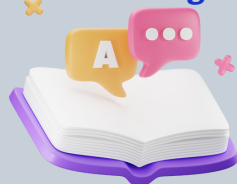
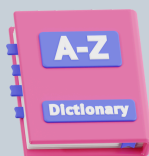
IF YOUR SCHEDULE CHANGES PLEASE CONTACT DOUG.

WE WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR MEALS BASED ON OUR FINAL COUNT. MEAL WILL BE GRILLED CHICKEN WITH SIDES

ALONG WITH PITCHER OF THEIR SODA'S MADE ON PROPERTY.

Kicks for Kids will be starting up soon. Due to demand, we're ordering about 100 more boots. We appreciate Brown's Shoe for helping us get these boots at a discounted price. Please get with Sue Watkins to help pass boots out!

It's almost Dictionary time!! Contact John Frey to sign up to get these dictionaries out of John's office and into our adorable third graders' hands!



Reverend Ray Giminez is recruiting Rotarians to volunteer at the annual Victory Center Thanksgiving meal on Wednesday, November 27, 2024.

## Key Dates

- November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day
- November 18: Liz Estilow with MyGEAR Outreach
- November 25: Americorp Reading Program
- December 02: Great Revivalist Brewery tour
- \*\* Must sign up ahead of time, See Doug Bertrand
- December 09: CHS Choir
- December 23: NO MEETING

## Check It Out!

Clinton Rotary Club. <sup>Oct 2024</sup>  
Thanks for all you do for our community... our kids. Appreciate you sharing boots through the "Kicks for Kids" project providing boots to students in need.  
TOGETHER WE CAN!  
thanks again - Dan Boyd.

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## WEEKLY STATS

### ATTENDANCE:

Online: 04

In-person: 44

Total for November: 48

## GUESTS:

- Katelyn Akright
- Aubrie Ottaver
- Matt Castleman
- Jeannine Wolf-Omerza
- Charlie Graf
- Chase Christiansen
- Leah Mangelsen
- Ayden Wiebers
- Cohen Thorpe
- Chloe Luckritz
- Livia Watters

YTD: 108

- November 04 Meeting: \$232

YTD: \$3,095.50

- Foundation: N/A

YTD: \$401

## MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 68
- Membership Goal: 84

## Life Connections



## Peer Recovery Services



[Watch Our  
Meeting  
HERE](#)

Life Connections Peer Recovery Services is a non-for-profit organization that operates a Peer Recovery Center and Iowa's first Peer Run Respite House. Life Connections Peer Recovery Services supports individuals wanting to begin or continue their journey by connecting them with services and resources that can guide them in living their best lives. On Monday, we got to meet two individuals from Life Connections Peer Recovery Services -- Katelyn Akright and Aubrie Ottaver. Katelyn is the programs and operations director and Aubrie is a peer connections coach.

Akright spoke to us about their overall mission and objectives for Life Connections Peer Recovery Services. Over 51% of their board is made up of people "with lived experiences," Akright told us. "So we're just promoting the idea that people with mental health difficulties can be in leadership and can provide meaningful services to the people in our community."

Rhonda's House, an evidence-based, peer-run respite center for individuals experiencing or seeking to avert a psychiatric crisis that is based in DeWitt but will serve people from throughout the five-county Eastern Iowa region and the entire state of Iowa. Rhonda's House is a seven-day stay, free of charge, which offers a "bed and breakfast for your mental health," explained Ottaver. The Wellness Recovery Center is a place where individuals experiencing Mental Health issues can work on their recovery with trained Peer Support Specialists. What is unique about their organization is that they are a Peer-Run, Peer-Owned Organization; the staff offers many of the same lived experiences as their guests and serves as models of recovery. They will serve all individuals whether or not they can pay.

Thank you, Katelyn and Aubrie, for all you do!

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON LOOKING FORWARD

## PROGRAMS

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- **November 18: Liz Estilow with MyGEAR Outreach**
- **November 25: Americorp Reading Program**



## INVOCATION

November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day  
November 18: Julie Dunn  
November 25: Heather Farwell

## GREETER

November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day  
November 18: Douglas Bertrand  
November 25: Francis Boggus



## PROGRAM CHAIRS

NOVEMBER: ANDY GREEN  
DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND

## FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

NOVEMBER: CHRISTIE AKINS & DAVE SIVRIGHT  
DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND



## *Celebrations*

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

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

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Dale Dalton
  - 46 yrs; Nov. 01, 1978
- Gregory Jasper
  - 29 yrs; Nov. 01, 1995
- Braydon Roberts
  - 6 yrs; Nov. 12, 2018
- Dave Sivright
  - 32 years; Nov. 16, 1978



# 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**

- Jim Bruhn\*      • Kathy Klahn\*      • Paul Holmer\*
- Dale Dalton\*      • Lynn McGraw      • Andy Fergusson
- Jennifer Graf\*      • Sue Watkins

## ROTARY NEWS

Greetings, District 6000 Rotarians,

I invite and encourage every Rotarian in District 6000 to participate in this year's ONE SUMMIT. We will host the event at the Radisson Hotel, Coralville, Iowa, Saturday, November 23, 2024. Registration is from 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. The program will run from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For your convenience we are also offering hybrid participation.

Mike Ruby, AG Coordinator, is encouraging the Assistant Governors to invite their clubs to meet collectively either in-person or via ZOOM. Likewise, if there are clubs located close to each other geographically, please organize a "Watch Party" to participate as a group to enhance discussion and ideas. Individual clubs may also choose to host a "Watch Party." The main goal is to PARTICIPATE.

The primary topics are Membership - Foundation - Public Image - Mental Wellness. (Please see attached agenda for specific topics). It is my intent as your District Governor Elect, that all events or meetings have value to every participant, limit the time commitment, while proving benefit for both time and cost to a participant. There is no registration fee for One Summit. I think you will find this agenda will meet this criterion.

We have knowledgeable presenters who will share brief commentary and then open up for discussion. As you will note in the agenda attached, District Learning Facilitator, Gretchen Nollman will then facilitate group feedback and discussion to allow all participants to take practical information back home for future planning and reference. In addition, District Governor Nominee Bill Bruce, will take a few minutes to explain how these issues fit into Rotary International goals for clubs in District 6000.

We hope you will join us, engage in the process and take-home good ideas for your club. And it's all free!

<https://rotary6000.org/event/one-summit/>

Thank You District 6000 Rotarians!!