

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF  
OCTOBER 07, 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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- Facebook
- LinkedIn
- YouTube



THE ROTARY WHEEL IN TIJUANA, MEXICO!  
PHOTOS COURTESY OF JILL'S EMPLOYEE, HANNAH  
LOPEZ, WHO RECENTLY VISITED OAXACA, MEXICO!

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# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Presidential News

[Click HERE to sponsor or get tickets to the Boo Bash!!](#)

Want to be updated on the Boo Bash? Read below!

- The committee is meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 4pm at the Rusty Barrel.
- Please bring your bottles to our upcoming Rotary meetings so we can create a spectacular Booze Barrel!
- Thanks for everyone's help in asking for donations and sponsorships.
- The Boo Bash will be here soon, have you thought about your costume yet?

Congratulations, Dave Sivright, on your induction to the Clinton County Walk of Fame!

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

## Key Dates

- October 07: Merle Anderson, North Scott Rotarian. "Fall Update 2024 on Activities at the Imbabazi Center for Women and Children in Kisoro, Uganda, Africa."
- October 14: NO MEETING; Columbus Day
- October 21: TBD
- October 28: World Polio Day panel presentation: Greg Jasper, Andy Fergusson, Rich Phelan, Kit Mayer
- November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day
- December 23: NO MEETING

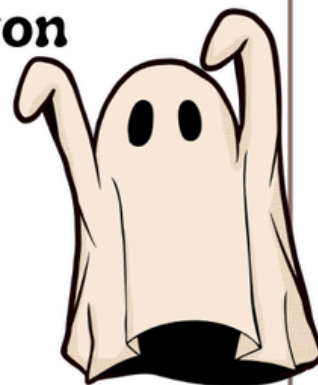
## Check It Out!



Carrie attends University District Seattle Rotary Club meeting via Zoom. Pictured are Seattle Rotarians including Brenda Dimond, and special guests from Mexico who presented on the Oaxaca Greenhouse project.



The Rotary Club of Clinton  
*proudly presents*  
**The 6th Annual  
Boo Bash**



**Vista Grande • Friday, October 25 • 5:30 PM**  
**• \$50 in advance, \$60 at door •**

**Register through [www.rotaryclubofclinton.com](http://www.rotaryclubofclinton.com)**

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**Dave & Rita Sivright**

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**James D. Bruhn, PLC, Farwell & Bruhn •**  
**Dale & Bobbie Dalton • Paul & Christine Holmer •**  
**Andrew & Kristen Kida • Ron McGauvran •**

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Mary Connell • Gary & Kathy DeLacy • Sabrina & David Frame • Barb & David A Frantz • John & Cheryl Frey • Braydon Roberts • Mark & Denise Rutenbeck • Mary Beth & Christopher Smith • Mary A Swanson • Karen & David Vickers • Sue & Lenny Weih • Jeff & Shannon Sander-Welzien





# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## WEEKLY STATS

### ATTENDANCE:

Online: 02

In-person: 46

Total for September 30: 48

## GUESTS:

- State Senator Chris Cournoyer
- U.S. Representative Marinnette Miller-Meeks
- Ida Lorenz
- Judy Buntmeyer
- Rhonda Kearns
- Scott Maddison
- Dustin Johnson
- Rachael Anderson
- Logan Detterman
- Jameson Billings
- Miraya Pessman
- Reese Germann
- Addison Lorenzen
- Addison Holst

YTD: 70

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

- September 30 Meeting: \$297  
YTD: \$2486.00
- Foundation: \$50.00  
YTD: \$1055

## MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 68
- Membership Goal: 84



State Senator Chris Cournoyer and  
U.S. Representative Marinnette Miller-Meeks

[Watch Our  
Meeting  
HERE](#)

Our meeting began with fellow Rotarian, State Senator Chris Cournoyer, who ran through "some" highlights that she's been working on. Below are some of the things she reviewed with us, with a focus on education.

- No tax on retirement or inheritance income
- Enhanced penalties and accountability for school employees grooming and sexually exploiting students (HF2487)
- Improve student achievement in reading (HF 2618)
- Increase flexibility, transparency, accountability, and quality of services for special education services by the Area Education Agencies
- Teacher Salary Increases, moving Iowa towards the 5th highest in the country)
- Allows school employees to be issued a professional permit to carry weapons and entitles them to qualified immunity from criminal or civil liability (HF 2586)
- Reinstated the Open Enrollment deadline and enhanced truancy penalties (Ed Budget Bill)
- Expand Medicaid benefits to pregnant women (SF 2251)
- Raise penalties for fake reports to law enforcement (swatting) (SF 2161)
- Create crime of looting in Iowa (HF 2598)
- Religious Freedom protections (SF 2095)
- Truth in meat and egg labeling (SF 2391)

**For questions, contact Senator Cournoyer at:**

**Email: [Chris.cournoyer@legis.iowa.gov](mailto:Chris.cournoyer@legis.iowa.gov)**

**Phone: 563-289-7335**

United States Representative Marinnette Miller-Meeks took over and discussed some recent updates in the House of Representatives. Miller-Meeks discussed the continuing resolution to fund the government until December 20, 2024, as well as programs that have been recently worked on. "This is new, it started in 2021 and that is the Community Project funding. Community Project funding is where your members of Congress can receive applications from their District -- from members in the district, typically government entities, educational facilities... so members of Congress are directing where some of that Appropriations money will go in that annual budget."

Thank you to our guests, we appreciate everything you do for us!

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON LOOKING FORWARD

## PROGRAMS

- October 07: Merle Anderson, North Scott Rotarian. "Fall Update 2024 on Activities at the Imbabazi Center for Women and Children in Kisoro, Uganda, Africa."
- October 14: NO MEETING; Columbus Day
- October 21: Presentation from the Dolly Parton Imagination Library
- October 28: World Polio Day panel presentation: Greg Jasper, Andy Ferguson, Rich Phelan, Kit Mayer
- November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day



## INVOCATION

October 07: Gary DeLacy  
October 14: NO MEETING  
October 21: Tom Determann  
October 28: Carrie Donaire

## GREETER

October 07: Karen Vickers  
October 14: NO MEETING  
October 21: Sue Watkins  
October 28: Christie Atkins



## PROGRAM CHAIRS

OCTOBER: HEATHER FARWELL & CARRIE DONAIRE  
NOVEMBER: ANDY GREEN  
DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND

## FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

OCTOBER: JENNIFER GRAF  
NOVEMBER: CHRISTIE COLLINS & DAVE SIVRIGHT  
DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND



## *Celebrations*

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

- Ron McGauvran October 04
- Douglas Bertrand October 12
- Andrew Green October 26
- Amie Boetje October 28

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Susan Mesecher
  - 5 years; Oct. 01 2019
- Tom Determann
  - 29 years; Oct. 02 1995
- Pete Clausen
  - 33 years; Oct. 07 1991
- Paula Steward
  - 7 years; Oct. 09 2017
- Val Hill
  - 21 years; Oct. 20 2003
- Juliann Bray
  - 21 years; Oct. 27 2003
- Shannon Sander-Welzien
  - 11 years; Oct. 28 2013
- Luke Duenser
  - 1 year; Oct. 30 2024



# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON

# R.I. ADMIN

## ROTARY NEWS

### 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