

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER 09, 2023

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)

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 1361
Clinton, IA
52733

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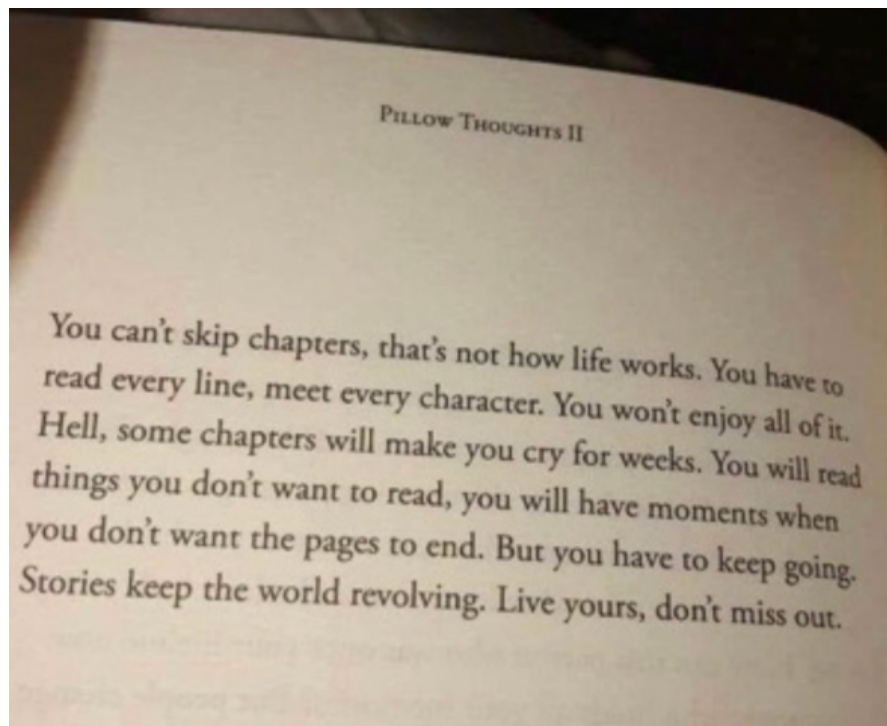
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NEW



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News

- Rotary Dues invoices were emailed on the morning of October 2, 2023. Check your email in box and contact me ddalton@wpf-cpa.com if you didn't receive your dues!

- Donate a bottle of alcohol for our booze raffle! All bottles must be identified with an Iowa deposit. Bring to Rotary or call Andrew Kida for pick up! We received 14 so far (last year, we had 50)...so keep on donating!



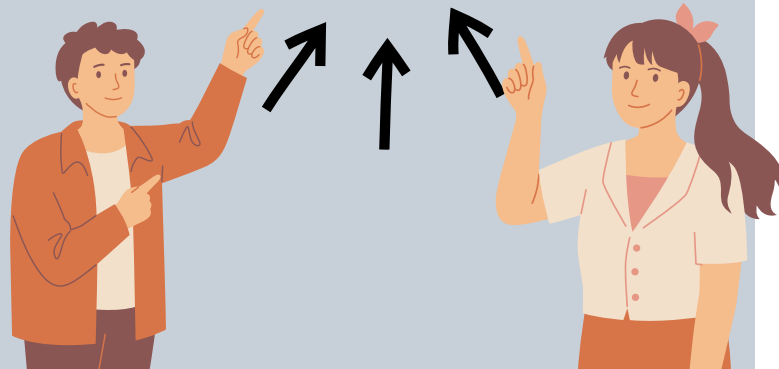
- It's time to sign up for tickets for the Boo Bash!!!
 - Need help signing up??
Email rotaryboobash@gmail.com!

Key Dates

- October 09: District 6000's Mental Health Initiative
- October 16: TBD
- October 23: Sleep in Heavenly Beds, speaker Shalynn Gerlach & CCSD presentation on The Clinton Student Adventures After School program and Study Connection Youth Mentoring Program
- October 30: TBD

Check It Out!

We need help with the Boo Bash! Let us know if you can help with sponsorships or the day of! Don't forget to donate for auction items!!!



Boo Bash



Thank You Boo Bash Sponsors!



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SILVER SPONSORS



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Email Sabrina at Sabrinalippens95@gmail.com to Sponsor our Boo Bash!!!

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 03

In-person: 42

Total for Oct 02: 45

GUESTS:

- Brenda Thornton
- Stephen Estes
- Jenny Balk
- Darrian Balk
- Sean Owens
- Barb Frantz
- Julie Ronfeldt
- Ari Lewerenz
- Alyssa Schroeder
- Ariana Cahoy
- Jaxon Dehner
- Jhi McGraw

YTD: 58

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Oct 02 Meeting: \$157.00

Donations to the Foundation:

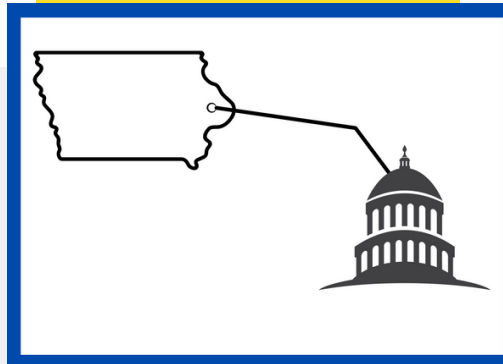
N/A

Foundation YTD: \$246

YTD Total: \$2171

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 73
- Membership Goal: 84



From Clinton to DC!



Watch our Meeting
HERE

This week, we were joined by Clinton County Supervisor Tom Determann, Dave Rose, Brenda Thornton, Barb Frantz, and Dennis Lauver, all of whom presented on the trip to Washington DC that they had back in July, where nine people got together and met with Congressional representatives. Former Iowa Department of Transportation Commissioner Dave Rose spoke about the progress being made and mentioned that from 2005 to when COVID hit, over 100 million has been spent in our county in maintenance. Rose also talked about getting together with the Lions Club and created a book called "The Golden Triage," which covers Camanche, Clinton, and Fulton. "The Golden Triage represents a geographical area that is very important to Iowa and Illinois and the world. The chief product here is food which we ship via the Mississippi and our own DOT started calling it the 'interstate to the world' and it really is."

Barb Frantz took over the presentation and discussed Highway 30 and how important it is to the economy and the future. "It was the reason so many different businesses established themselves right here in Clinton, Iowa over in Fulton, Illinois, and along the entire corridor because they could do as close as possible the same day shipping and they could alleviate from Chicago to Cedar Rapids, which is a major transfer hub for a lot of truckers. It lessens their trip by one and a half hours which means a lot less fuel, a lot less wear and tear on the highway, a lot less maintenance, and a whole lot less of everything." Both Rose and Franz discussed how this is a bipartisan issue. "We're talking to Democrats or Republicans we understand, it's working together that makes a difference and so we do. And we have accomplished a lot."

Both Brenda Thornton and Dennis Lauver spoke about talking with Congress and fighting for the Clinton area. Thornton spoke about the \$650,000 grant that was received with efforts from Senator Chris Cournoyer, which will go to creating North River Drive to become a "shovel-ready project." Lauver discussed tax laws needing to be updated, which needs to positively impact the rural Iowa area. Lauver stated, "By having those kind of relationships and opportunities, even on the policy side, it's very helpful and drives things back to help with the kind of projects that have been discussed and are being discussed. So good progress is happening on a variety of things. There's follow-up continuing on those policy kinds of discussions especially with how do we do these things, in a way to better impact rural Economic Development."

Thank you, to all of you, for presenting to our club and constantly working towards making Clinton County better!

LOOKING FORWARD

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INVOCATION

- October 09: Julie Bray
- October 16: Brent Brightman
- October 23: Joe Brown
- October 30: James Bruhn

GREETER

- October 09: Julie Bray
- October 16: Dave Sivright
- October 23: Mary Beth Smith
- October 30: Andy Sokolovich



PROGRAM CHAIRS

- OCTOBER: TOM DETERMANN
- NOVEMBER: ANDY GREEN
- DECEMBER: DOUG BERTRAND & CARRIE DONAIRE

FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

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



Celebrations

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

- Julie Eggers October 01
- Ronald McGauvran October 04
- Douglas Bertrand October 12
- Andy Green October 26

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Pete Clausen
 - 32 years; Oct 07 1991
- Tom Determann
 - 28 years; Oct 02 1995
- Val Hill
 - 20 years; Oct 20 2003
- Juliann Bray
 - 20 years; Oct 27 2003
- Shannon Sander-Welzien
 - 10 years; Oct 28 2013
- Paula Steward
 - 6 years; Oct 09 2017
- Susan Mesecher
 - 4 years; Oct 01 2019

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 2023-2024

- Braydon Roberts: President
- Carrie Donaire: President-Elect
- Andrew Green: President-Elect-Elect
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Susie Mesecher: Secretary
- Carrie Donaire
- Cheryl Frey
- Rod Tokheim
- Jill O'Neill
- Andrew Kida: Past President
- Andy Fergurson: Foundation

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2023-2024

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

Directors

- Jim Bruhn*
- Kathy Klahn*
- Paul Holmer
- Kathy Forrest
- Lynn McGraw
- Andy Fergurson
- Jennifer Graf*

LITERACY MOMENTS

Learning happens everywhere whether there are words read or not. Providing one-on-one tutoring to help students or adults to read is important to those who cannot read proficiently on their own. Tasks that we do every day and do without even thinking cannot be successfully completed. Tasks like reading a map, writing or receiving a birthday card, reading a suggested book or just reading for enjoyment, ordering off a print-only menu, researching information or working a job that you enjoy are just a few examples.

What can do as Rotarians: Be a Champion of Literacy by being a good role model and be caught reading, initiate and support literacy programs in your community or around the world by providing funding to make the programs happen or by providing books for children, and by sharing your time and talent and make a difference in a person's life.

Provide opportunities for those who can't read, to enjoy reading.