

The Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



MEETING LOCATION:

Rastrelli's Restaurant:

Tuscany Event Center

238 Main Ave

Clinton, IA

Every Monday at 12 Noon

Vistors are welcome!

CLUB LINKS

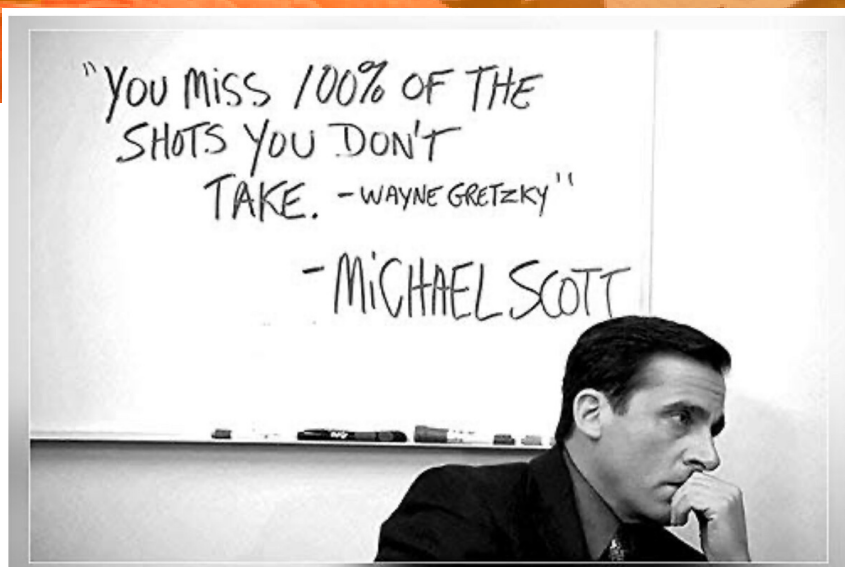
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The Four-Way Test

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?



Go Hawks!

NEWS FROM OUR PRESIDENT

- **Boo Bash Raffle Tickets** are now on sale!!! Contact any member of the Boo Bash Committee (Brian Wright, Christie Collins, Jennifer Graf, Douglas Harridge, Nicole Hinman, Paul Holmer, Jill O'Neill, Shannon Sander-Welzein, and Sue Watkins if you'd like to purchase one OR MORE! before our event! ([Learn about Boo Bash changes on page 5!](#))
- **If you ordered a "Rotarians at Work!" shirt, please see Jill! The shirts are in and will be available at our next meeting!**
- Contact John Frey if you wish to help out with passing out dictionaries to local third graders! A sign-up sheet is being passed around at our meeting.
- Read an important message from your Club Treasurer on [page 4!](#)
- Check out information from Mark Rutenbeck regarding efforts about Polio on [page 4.](#)
- Read about community news on [page 7.](#)

I'm just trying to be myself more and more. The more confidence you have in yourself...the more you realize that this is you and life isn't long. So get on with it!

KYLIE MINOGUE

INVOCATION:

October 28: Tamra Binder

November 4: Matt Brooke

November 11: NO ROTARY

November 18: James Bruhn

November 25: Claire Buyert

STUDENT HOST:

October 28: Dan Housenga

November 4: Steven Howes

November 11: NO ROTARY

November 18: Greg Jasper

November 25: Andrew Kida

GREETER:

October 28: Chris Farwell

November 4: Andy Fergusson

November 11: NO ROTARY

November 18: Kathy Forrest

November 25: Gary Foster

FELLOWSHIP FINES:

October 21, 2019

Fines collected: \$220.00

YTD \$3,498.00

ATTENDANCE:

Oct 21, 2019: 43 / 87

Oct 14, 2019: 38 / 88

Oct 07, 2019: 40 / 89

MEMBERSHIP STATS:

- Resignations: 1 (Libby Goodman)
- Current Members: 87
- Membership goal: 95

GUESTS:

- Evan Hessing: Student at Prince of Peace
- Nathan Moeller: Student at Prince of Peace
- Shania Mussman: Student at Clinton High School
- Shawn Tegeler: Student at Unity Christian
- Kyra Wickland: Student at Unity Christian
- Chris Cournoyer, G/O Erin Cole

Guests YTD: 88

MEETING REVIEW



Mary Kate Leister

Victim Coordinator:

Marsy's Law for Iowa

- Marsy's Law is key in advocating for equal rights for Iowa's crime victims and treating Iowa's crime victims with dignity and respect.
- Marsy's Law is seeking to elevate key rights of crime victims into the state's Constitution to ensure that victims have rights that are equal, in stature, to the constitutional rights of the accused and convicted. These constitutional protections for crime victims would include the following rights:
 - the right to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect;
 - the right to be notified, be present and be heard at court proceedings;
 - the right to reasonable protection from the accused;
 - the right to notification of the release or escape of the accused;- the right to restitution;
 - and the right to enforce these rights in the criminal justice process.
- To learn more about Marsy's Law, please check out <https://www.marsyslawforiowa.com> and like their Facebook page at: Marsy's Law for Iowa

To view the video from our meeting, please click **HERE**.



FELLOWSHIP:

October: Dave Sivright and
Dee Willoughby

November: Matt Brooke and
Mark Rutenbeck

December: Carrie Donaire and
Doug Bertrand

BIRTHDAYS:

Julie Eggers: October 1

Ronald McGauvran: October 4

Patti Stark: October 8

Douglas Bertrand: October 12

Keith Hook: October 22

G. Wylie Pillers: October 29

Idell Klein: November 2

Nicole Hinman: November 6

Claire Buyert: November 9

Elizabeth Srp: November 9

Coach Dalton: November 15

David Rose: November 20

David Sivright: November 22

**ROTARY
ANNIVERSARIES:**

Val Hill

October 20, 2003 -- 16 years

Juliann Bray

October 27, 2003 -- 16 years

Shannon Sander-Welzien

October 28, 2013 -- 6 years

Michael Nass

October 29, 2007 -- 12 years

Coach Dalton

November 1, 1978 -- 41 years

Margo Hansen

November 8, 2010 -- 9 years

Patti Stark

November 10, 2008 -- 11 years

Braydon Roberts

November 12, 2018 -- 1 year

David Sivright

November 16, 1992 -- 27 years

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- **October 28:** Erin Olson, MPH, Community Health Consultant, Iowa Department of Public Health - Erin will share about Iowa's 5-2-1-0 program, a fun way to make being healthy easy! Learn about the new 5-2-1-0 Work Site designation you can take back to your workplace. Healthy Choices Count! #healthychoicescount
- **November 4:** Margo Hansen, Director of Programs at Bickelhaupt Arboretum in Clinton, will be presenting on the fabulous photographs by Jerry Dah, former Photographer for the Clinton Herald.
- **November 11: NO ROTARY**
- **November 18:** Jane Haugland, EICC Associate Director of Financial Aid and Dr. Karen Vickers, CCC President and EICC Vice Chancellor for Student Development will offer an overview of some of the efforts EICC is offering to assist with the cost of attending college.
- **November 25:** Dakota Botts, Utilities/WWTP Department Superintendent at ADM, will present on ADM, the direction the company is going as a whole, as well as the Clinton plant specifically.

FOUNDATION MINUTE

He founded Panzi Hospital in 1999 with the singular aim of making life much better for mothers and their babies, then war broke out. Working among traumatized women and children of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Denis Mukweze has seen it all: between 100 and 500 women and children raped every day, ranging from 19-month-old babies to octogenarians; with their digestive and reproductive organs totally and brutally impacted. Frustrated by the relentless use of mass rape as a weapon of war and mass destruction of babies, women and entire communities, Mukweze sought for ways to improve medical equipment at the hospital to cope with the overwhelming demands. Speaking in January 2017, at a Rotary Foundation Seminar sponsored by District 1620 (Belgium), the OB/GYN surgeon detailed the atrocities going on in his native country. The Rotary Clubs in attendance donated \$120,000 immediately. This was augmented by \$40,000 in District Designated Funds and a grant of nearly \$100,000 from the Rotary Foundation. Forty-two clubs participated in the project, including the host club, Rotary Club of Bukavu Mwangaza in South Kivu, DRC. In 2018, through a Rotary Foundation Global Grant, the hospital was gifted with a state-of-the-art digital X-ray machine which allows doctors to view results electronically and share them with distant specialists when needed. Today, although rape as a weapon of war has yet to be obliterated from the region, with the help of the new Rotary donated machine, maternal and infant mortality have been drastically reduced with a 99.1% live birth rate. More than 85,000 rape or birth-related complications have been treated, and victims who cannot afford post-rape medical care continue to be treated free of charge at the Panzi Hospital. Your generous donations end up improving lives world-wide.

Yours in Rotary, Olabisi Gwamna Ph.D
Rotary Club of Mt. Pleasant

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Christmas Program: Doug Bertrand
- Community Service: Idell Klein
- Dictionaries Committee: *John Frey (Fall)
- Fellowship/Program Sign-up: Doug Bertrand and Brian Wright
- Financial Committee: *Dale Dalton
- Foundation: Brian Wright
- Fundraiser Committee: Jill O'Neill
- Grants Chair: Jill O'Neill
- Interact: Peggy Sellnau
- International Service: Christie Collins
- Josh the Otter Water Safety Committee: *Rich Klahn (Spring)
- Lumberkings Event Committee: *Dale Dalton
- Membership: Sue Watkins
- Public Relations: Jennifer Graf; Jill O'Neill RCoF C Website, Doug Harridge (photos)
- Scholarships: Rob Cassidy
- Showboat Event Committee: David Sivright
- Student Service / Weekly Student Guests: Shannon Sander-Welzien
- Sunshine: Christie Collins

Club Board Meeting: 3rd Monday of every month immediately after the Rotary meeting in the Tuscany Room.
All members are welcome!

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2019-2020:

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

Directors:

- *Jim Bruhn
- Kathy Forrest
- *Jennifer Graf
- *Kathy Klahn
- Lynn McGraw
- Brian Wright

A NOTE FROM YOUR TREASURER

For the past year or so, I have been e-mailing the quarterly dues invoice from the Club's software, Quickbooks, and I am finding that a few members are not receiving the invoice because of firewalls and "spam" software on their computer. Some instances the attachments are being deleted or member does not recognize the from e-mail address and does not open the e-mail. The invoices are being mailed from the following address: "Intuit E-Commerce Service" quickbooks@notification.intuit.com

The invoices are mailed quarterly beginning in January and I am asking that you notify me by email at ddalton@wpf-cpa.com, call my mobile 563-503-1865, or my direct office number 563-244-8146 or talk to me after the meeting if any questions, comments or concerns.

Also, please inform our Secretary, Jill or myself of any physical address or e-mail address change. Thank you! :)

POLIO UPDATE FROM MARK RUTENBECK

October 24 is World Polio Day. The Rotary fight against Polio began in 1979 with the immunization of 6 million children in the Philippines. Rotary's commitment to eradicate polio worldwide was moved to the fore-front in 1986 by creating the PolioPlus campaign.

There are 3 types of wild poliovirus in the world and people need protection from all 3. Only 1 of the 3 strains has been eradicated. The second virus is in its 3rd year without a reported case in Nigeria. The geographic region of third strain is now down to just 2 countries; Pakistan & Afghanistan.

To complete the project, Rotary really needs to focus on the PLUS in PolioPLUS. The Plus takes new approaches to reaching the remaining people in the parts of the world that distrust outsiders and resist change.

To build the Plus, Rotary has become the spearheading partner of a Global Polio Eradication Initiative – the GPEI, which funds 91 percent of the World Health Organization's immunization staff. The GPEI includes many important organizations, arguably the most supportive being the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation that matches every Rotary donation 2 to 1.

The Plus in PolioPlus has made our immunizations made more useful by including vitamin A. It's estimated 1.25 million children are alive because of vitamin A's ability to resist infectious diseases. Saving 1.25 million children is definitely a Plus.

The Plus also expands our care. Worldwide, a child dies of Malaria every 2 minutes. This Plus approach also provides mosquito netting in areas where mosquito borne infection is common. To complete our goal of eradication, large scale communications efforts are needed to make people aware of the benefits of immunizations.

Another Plus program is Rotary's Program to provide access to clean water. Clean water helps Rotary workers build trust and relationships with community members. People who don't have water don't care about a drop of a vaccine. Polio victims often end up as street beggars.

The success of Rotary's Polio Plus program is so compelling that when you get your quarterly bill from our Club, there is a \$4 mandatory dues surcharge. That \$16/yr. immediately becomes \$48 with the Gates' match.

I want to strongly encourage you to contribute to the Rotary Foundation. Eliminating Disease is funded by Foundation giving. But it is only 1 of the 6 Rotary International Causes where we strive to save & improve peoples' lives. When you include our Club's request to be a contributing member to the Rotary Foundation (\$100 annually) your donation totals \$116 per year. That \$2.23 per week donation can be managed by most, if not all, of our members. It benefits more children & families-in-need than any other donation you make. Please help! Thank you.



BOO BASH CHANGES

Dear Rotarians,

After our last Spring Auction, a handful of Rotarians got together and started talking about our annual fundraising efforts. When Rotary first started having an annual auction - decades ago - we were the only ones in the market, so to speak. Through the years, the auction became THE THING to do in fundraising, which has caused an oversaturation in the market. As a committee, we decided to look into other fundraising options.

In the last five months, the Fundraising Committee has considered numerous options and as a whole, we decided on an "envelope" system. During the original idea, we realized that if we could fill envelopes 1-300, that would be over \$40,000 and it would be far less stressful and taxing on our members, who are frequently asked for financial and business contributions to our auctions, as well as others in town. During our planning, a few committee members brought up a potential issue -- are we hoping that members are altruistic and willing to donate what they can to the club and our projects? Or should we have "incentives," to encourage donations and multiple envelope purchases? As a committee, we decided incentives would be ideal, which would be a way that we could give back to our Rotarians, who would be giving to the club and our community.

That's where we got into a little bit of trouble. [The act of putting "incentives" into the event turned our envelope fundraiser into a game of chance, which is also known as gambling.](#) Additionally, we learned that it is against Iowa law to pay for an act of gambling by credit card. Since we were offering envelopes online, which was mainly done for Rotarians who wish to participate in our fundraiser event but were unable to make the physical party, we were in violation of Iowa law.

In the last week, John Frey and Jill O'Neill have spent many, many hours with the Department of Inspections and Appeals, discussing our event and getting this straightened out. We learned that for years, we probably should have had a gambling and gaming license for much of our fundraising efforts. We had an emergency committee meeting on Friday, October 18 and decided the most ethical and the right thing to do would be to return the money to the individuals that had purchased envelopes and change the premise of our fundraiser.

Thus, we have taken away the envelope fundraiser concept and changed to raffle tickets. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase from any committee member at \$25 apiece. The more raffle tickets you buy, the better chance you'll have to win some amazing prizes. And so, since you were planning on spending \$250 on envelopes, you can now purchase 10 raffle tickets and have an even better shot at the prizes! Additionally, Jill O'Neill went to Des Moines and received a Qualified Organization Raffle License. The Rotary Club of Clinton now has the ability to go crazy with raffles -- for a great cause!

The most important message is this - We were unknowingly in violation of Iowa law and we took the appropriate steps to correct this immediately. We understand that it is very frustrating to have our fundraising event changed, especially so close to the event. (Trust us - we are frustrated too!) However, it is crucial to us that we follow Iowa law and code and create the utmost ethical event possible.

We have raffle tickets available to be purchased at \$25 apiece, which can be purchased BY CASH OR CHECK from any Fundraising Committee member. We will have them available at the Rotary meeting on Monday and you can purchase any time between now and at the Boo Bash! Tickets will be drawn at the Boo Bash. You do not have to be present to win!!! This will be our annual fundraiser -- there is not a spring auction!

If you'd like to purchase, please see: [Brian Wright \(bwright@pillerslaw.com\)](mailto:bwright@pillerslaw.com), [Christie Collins \(christie.collins@edwardjones.com\)](mailto:christie.collins@edwardjones.com), [Jennifer Graf \(jdgraf@mchsi.com\)](mailto:jdgraf@mchsi.com), [Douglas Harridge \(dvhartridge@sbcglobal.net\)](mailto:dvhartridge@sbcglobal.net), [Nicole Hinman \(hinman.nicole@yahoo.com\)](mailto:hinman.nicole@yahoo.com), [Paul Holmer \(pah121045@hotmail.com\)](mailto:pah121045@hotmail.com), [Jill O'Neill \(jilloneillo9@gmail.com\)](mailto:jilloneillo9@gmail.com), [Shannon Sander-Welzein \(ed@ywcaclinton.org\)](mailto:ed@ywcaclinton.org) and [Sue Watkins \(swatkins@tempassociates.com\)](mailto:swatkins@tempassociates.com).

We would also like to thank John Frey and Braydon Roberts for the numerous hours they spent to go over Iowa law and code, as well as speaking with Dan Horner, the Chief of Social and Charitable Unit with Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals. Interestingly enough, we had quite a number of people stumped on this event, including two people from the Attorney General's office!

We would like to thank you for your understanding and continued support of our Club and the Mission we serve. As our motto is "Service Above Self," we ask that you continue to support the fundraiser, our club, and our mission.




ROTARY
CLUB OF CLINTON
proudly presents

HALLOWEEN BOO BASH

VISTA GRANDE

NOVEMBER 1, 2019

6:00 - 9:00 PM

JOIN US FOR A BEWITCHING GOOD TIME, DEVILISHLY
DELICIOUS DINNER, SPECIAL SPOOKY COCKTAILS AND...

 **DJ AND DANCING!**

 **COSTUME CONTEST AND AWARDS!**

 **CASH BAR AND HALLOWEEN COCKTAILS!**

 **DESSERT AUCTION!**

 **FUNDRAISING, INCENTIVES, AND EXTRA CHANCES TO
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YOUR GENEROSITY WILL BENEFIT THE "BACKPACK BUDDY PROGRAM" FOR
CHILDREN IN CLINTON AND OTHER ROTARY SERVICE PROJECTS.

*CASH, CHECK, AND CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED FOR ALL FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES.

\$40 PER TICKET UNTIL OCTOBER 18

AFTER OCTOBER 18: \$45 PER TICKET

REGISTER AT: WWW.RCC.CBO.IO

ALL ARE WELCOME!

CCSD EDUCATION FOUNDATION
PRESENTS

TRIVIA NIGHT?

Friday

November 8th

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM, TRIVIA STARTS AT 7PM

Event produced by Moonlighting DJ!

CASH PRIZES
for 1st and 2nd place!

Tables of 6-8 players/\$10 per person to play

Buffet available - \$12 for adults/\$6 for kids

Early signups will receive a free Mulligan. Check our Facebook page (CCSD Education Foundation) or email PTADAD@hotmail.com to reserve your table or for more information.

Manny's Too

305 11th Ave, Fulton, Illinois

