

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER 28, 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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"Life is like riding a
bicycle. To keep
your balance, you
must keep moving."

—ALBERT EINSTEIN

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ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presidential News

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

 Kicks for Kids will be starting up soon. We're ordering about 100 more boots, due to demand. 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!

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

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

Key Dates

- October 28: World Polio Day panel presentation: Greg Jasper, Andy Fergusson, Rich Phelan, Kit Mayer
- November 04: Todd Noack with Life Connections Peer Recovery Center
- 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!

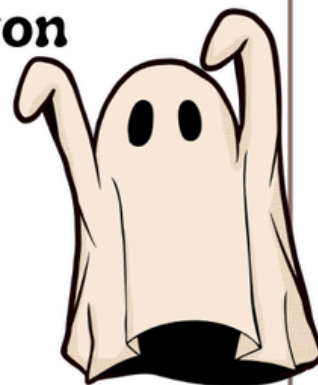
Thank You to Our
**AMAZING
Boo
Bash
Crew!!**

**Our Club couldn't do it
without YOU!**





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

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Dave & Rita Sivright

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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: 01

In-person: 45

Total for October 21: 46

GUESTS:

- Tammy McClimon
- Holly Lamp
- Chris Smith
- Parker Messerich
- Caleigh Cady
- McKenna Brown
- Tayton Caslte
- Dylan Todtz
- Kaedence Krider
- Ella Holmbo

YTD: 88

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

- October 21 Meeting: \$317
YTD: \$2,631.50
- Foundation: \$108
YTD: \$401

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 68
- Membership Goal: 84



Tammy McClimon



[Watch Our Meeting
HERE](#)

"You can never get enough books into
the hands of enough children."

On Monday, we were fortunate enough to meet Tammy McClimon, from our local chapter of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. McClimon was in education for forty years in DeWitt and was also a librarian. About fourteen years ago, a group of educators decided they wanted to start the Imagination Library and brought it into Eastern Iowa! Dolly Parton's Imagination Library began in Clinton County in 2012 to promote childhood reading through books. One thousand children get a book monthly through ongoing grant writing and fundraising. Inspired by her father's inability to read and write Dolly started her Imagination Library in 1992 for the children within her home county. Today, her program spans five countries and gifts over 2 million free books each month to children around the world. McClimon sweetly explained that Parton is "probably one of the most generous people on the planet, I think. It seems like when something goes wrong she's one of the first people to get it started."

McClimon and the working board of directors are all librarians, teachers, and educators. They've given over 135,000 books in the last fourteen years! When first signed up at birth, you are given "The Little Engine that Could," which McClimon thinks is the perfect metaphor for the local chapter. Currently, they have about a thousand kids in Clinton County, but could easily serve around 3,000, per McClimon. The program consists of sending a book to a child every month, from birth through the age of five. "Why is this so exciting? Because this child owns a book. It's their book -- they're getting something in the mail, someone knows who they are, which just encourages kids even more. There is a feature now that you can sign your child up and Dolly Parton will sing them happy birthday on their birthday so that's exciting!"

It costs roughly \$30 to sponsor a child for this program. Thank you, Tammy, for all that you do!

ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

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INVOCATION

October 28: Carrie Donaire
November 04: Luke Duenser
November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day
November 18: Julie Dunn
November 25: Heather Farwell

GREETER

October 28: Christie Akins
November 04: Brent Albrechtsen
November 11: NO MEETING; Veteran's Day
November 18: Douglas Bertrand
November 25: Francis Boggus



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

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

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!!