

# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON NEWSLETTER



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NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF  
OCTOBER 30, 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)

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## SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

- [Facebook](#)
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The Rotary Club of Clinton  
proudly presents

THE FIFTH ANNUAL

# Boo Bash



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023 • 5 - 9 PM  
VISTA GRANDE

Join us for Live and Silent Auctions, Raffles and Games,  
a Buffet Dinner, and a Cash Bar!

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**NEW**



# ROTARY CLUB OF CLINTON EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Presidential News

### SYNERGY BENEFIT + Open House

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## Key Dates

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- **November 06:** Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois
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## Check It Out!



**NO KID SLEEPS  
ON THE FLOOR  
IN OUR TOWN!**

### Clinton County Chapter



# Boo Bash



## Thank You Boo Bash Sponsors!



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ANDY SOKOLOVICH • MARY SWANSON • KAREN & DAVE VICKERS • JEFF & SHANNON SANDER-WELZEIN

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



# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## WEEKLY STATS

### ATTENDANCE:

Online: 1

In-person: 41

Total for Oct 23: 42

### GUESTS:

- Bill Misiewicz
- Mia Tubbs
- Julia Sue Smith
- Aiden Adkins
- Lenny Weih
- Shalyn Mueller
- Molly Jones
- Alyssa Schoroeder
- Ariana Cahoy

YTD: 82

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Oct 23 Meeting: \$128.00

Donations to the Foundation:

\$100

Foundation YTD: \$346

YTD Total: \$2798

### MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 73
- Membership Goal: 84



Watch our Meeting  
HERE

We had quite the meeting this week, full of visitors and people who truly bring home into the world.

To begin with, we heard from Synergy, the High School STEM program that is project-based, focusing on awareness of businesses within the community. Synergy is raising money for IRAS to help with food insecurities in our community. IRAS has noted that there is a 300% increase in requests for help last year, compared to 2021. 419 families were served last year; this year, that number is already at 400. The two largest requests are for food and housing. In order to help IRAS, Synergy has put on a benefit. **The benefit will be on Wednesday, November 8th from 5 - 7pm at the Church at Lyons.** All money raised will go to IRAS. One of the students commented that they focused on helping with IRAS because, "there are kids in our school, at every school in the Clinton Community School District, that benefit from the IRAS support so we could be sitting next to next someone in class and we don't know that they are in need of more support and more food so I think just being able to help people we to school with was a kind of a main drive for a lot of us." Their goal is to raise \$10,000 for Information Referral & Assistance Services.

Next, we heard from Molly Jones, the Clinton Student Adventures After School director with the Clinton County School District. Molly discussed how the program is at full capacity, with 50 kids being served, and has a waitlist of 75. Students receive a nutritious snack at the beginning of each program, there is academic assistance with tutoring from certificated, licensed teachers, and they go on field trips on a weekly basis! Jones also handles summer camp. She reported that they had 172 students last year in summer camp! The cost to the district is \$0. The funding comes from State funding. Molly received a financial donation from Rotary, on behalf of President Braydon's Presidential Project. Thank you, Molly, for everything you do for the Clinton community!

Finally, we heard from Lenny Weih, who introduced our last speaker, Shalynn Gerlach, who presented on "Sleep in Heavenly Peace." Mueller has been a social worker for the Camanche and Northeast school districts for five years. Nearly 3% of children under the age of 18 have no beds of their own, according to Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP). Muller stated, "We delivered our first bed on October 27th 2021 so it's been almost two years and we have delivered in Clinton County 156 beds. We have a wait list...of 50 beds and in Clinton alone, 134 beds have been delivered...The requirement for a bed is you just need a bed. We don't ask what is your income, we don't ask what your situation is. If you need a bed, we'll get you a bed." Mueller told us that the beds made through SHP come with a brand-new mattress, pillows, and blankets and that they use a special stain that guarantees no bed bugs will come into your home. They do standard twin-size beds and bunk beds. **You can like SHP's Facebook [HERE](#) AND you can donate any amount [HERE](#), from \$5 to \$500 (bunk bed).**

**THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE AMAZING PEOPLE WHO BRING HOPE INTO THE  
WORLD!**

# LOOKING FORWARD

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## INVOCATION

October 30: James Bruhn

## GREETER

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

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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