Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

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MEETING LOCATION

Monday Rotary
Rastrelli's Restaurant:
Tuscany Event Center
2417 Cleveland St.
Clinton, IA

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RotaryClubofClinton.com

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

- Facebook
- LinkedIn
- YouTube

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Presidential News

Please Share our Rotary and Boo Bash Social Media!!!!

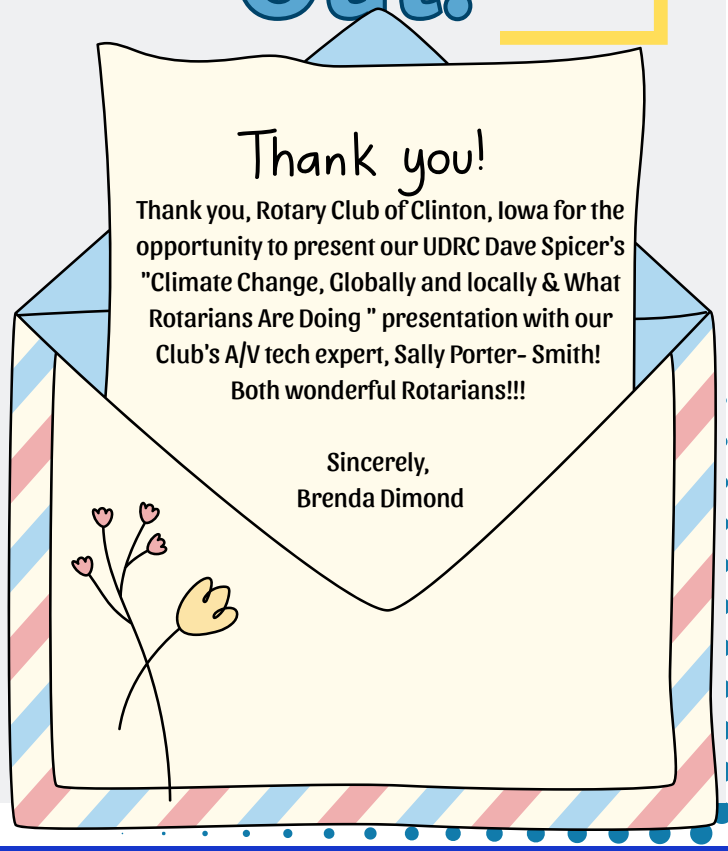
We need YOU on a Rotary Committee! Start thinking about what areas you can help in: Youth Services, Community Services, Membership, Fundraising, Publicity, and Foundation!

Boo Bash Alert!!!!! Our Annual Boo Bash is coming up...circle it now on your calendars for Friday, October 24, 2025! Boo Bash Committee is looking for new members -- they're meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 4:00 at the Rusty Barrel!

Key Dates

- September 15: CEO of Bethany/Bridgeview, Lara Ingram
- September 22: Women in Business: featuring Dr Ann Colby, a well-known Chiropractor, and Danielle Colby, owner/operator of Ecdysiast Arts Museum in Davenport
- September 29: Shannon Sander-Welzien and YWCA staff speaking about the Supportive Housing Initiative and the upcoming Women of Achievement

Check It Out!



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PROUDLY PRESENTS

Boo Bash

Friday, October 24, 2025

5:00 PM

The Copper Mill
2750 So. 27th Street
Clinton IA 52732

Be A Sponsor Today!

PROCEEDS FROM THE BOO BASH WILL SUPPORT SEVERAL COMMUNITY INITIATIVES AND THE 2026 PRESIDENTIAL PROJECT.

GET READY FOR A SPOOKY-GOOD TIME!

THE 2025 BOO BASH WILL FEATURE:

LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS

RAFFLES & GAMES

BUFFET DINNER

CASH BAR

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WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 02
In-person: 32
Total for Sept 08: 34

GUESTS:

- Richard and Brenda Dimond
- Derrick Okine
- Derek Pillers

YTD: 28

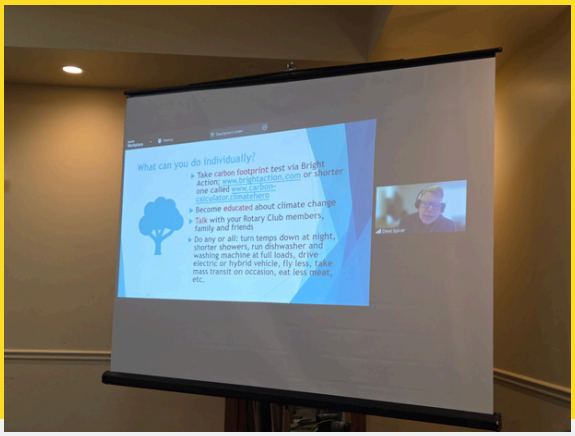
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

- Rotary Club: $ 138
  YTD $1,395
- Foundation: N/A
  YTD $70

YTD Total: $1465

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 67
- Membership Goal: 84



WATCH OUR MEETING HERE!

This week we welcomed **Dave Spicer,** a retired attorney, 40-year Rotarian, and Rotary District Chair for Environment & Climate in Puget Sound. Dave has been passionate about environmental issues since his college days nearly 50 years ago, and he brought that passion to his presentation on climate change.

He highlighted the growing evidence of a warming planet: the past 10 years have been the hottest on record, extreme weather events such as tornadoes, hurricanes, and wildfires are increasing, sea levels are rising, and water shortages are affecting communities worldwide. As Spicer put it, "We can't ignore the seriousness, but we also can't lose hope—Rotary is proving that small, local actions add up to global impact."

Spicer also shared encouraging news: Rotary clubs around the world are tackling the crisis head-on through reforestation, clean water projects, renewable energy adoption, coral reef preservation, and recycling initiatives. In the Seattle area, clubs are restoring rivers, planting urban trees, and even launching lithium battery recycling programs.

He urged our club to consider forming an Environmental Sustainability Committee, take on one meaningful project each year, and connect with resources like the Bright Action Carbon Footprint Test (www.brightaction.com) to inspire personal and community change.

Closer to home, we're joining this movement: District Governor Norlan's initiative challenges every club to plant one tree per member. With 64 (and growing!) members, our club is preparing for a major tree planting project this spring. 🌱

We thank Dave for his inspiring talk and reminder that through Rotary, we each have a role in mitigating climate change and building a sustainable future.

You can contact Dave here: Dave Spicer dtspicer@hotmail.com

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LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

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INVOCATION

SEPTEMBER 15: JULIE BRAY
SEPTMEBER 22: MATT BROOKE
SEPTEMBER 29: JOSEPH BROWN

GREETER

SEPTEMBER 15: MARY BETH SMITH
SEPTEMBER 22: ANDY SOKOLOVICH
SEPTEMBER 29: SHANNON SANDER-WELZIEN

PROGRAM CHAIRS

SEPTEMBER: JENNIFER GRAF
OCTOBER: TOM DETERMANN

FELLOWSHIP CHAIRS

SEPTEMBER: ANDY FERGUSON
OCTOBER: JENNIFER GRAF

Celebrations

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Christie Akins — Sept 05
- Mike Kroemer — Sept 13
- Kathy Klahn — Sept 15
- Karen Vickers — Sept 15
- Cheryl Frey — Sept 17
- Julie Dunn — Sept 20
- Brig Tubbs — Sept 21
- Andy Fergurson — Sept 21
- James Bruhn — Sept 22

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Ron McGauvran
  - 47 yrs; Sept 01 1978
- Doug Bertrand
  - 29 yrs; Sept 16 1996
- Karen Vickers
  - 29 yrs; Sept 23 1996
- Marsha Thrall
  - 3 yrs; Sept 26 2022
- James Bruhn
  - 29 yrs; Sept 30 1996

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 2025-2026

- Andrew Green: President
- Dale Dalton: Treasurer
- Carrie Donaire: Past-President, International Service
- Andy Fergurson: Foundation
- Paul Holmer: Fundraising
- Susie Mesecher: Secretary
- Jill O'Neill: Public Image
- Braydon Roberts: Service to Youth
- Rod Tokheim: Sergeant-at-Arms
- Sue Watkins: Community Service Projects

Rotary Foundation Board of Directors for 2025-2026

- Gary Foster*: President
- Kathy Klahn*: 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
- Heather Farwell

ROTARY MOMENTS