Rotary Club of Clinton

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

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MEETING LOCATION

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

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- Facebook
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Presidential News

Start Planning Now! Our District Conference will be on May 01 in Coralville. You can add it to your calendar NOW. 🙂

Early Bird Tickets for the Boo Bash are on sale for $55 until 10/10. Don't delay - save your spot today!

Boo Bash Alert!!!!! Boo Bash Committee is looking for new members -- they're meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 4:30 at the Rusty Barrel.

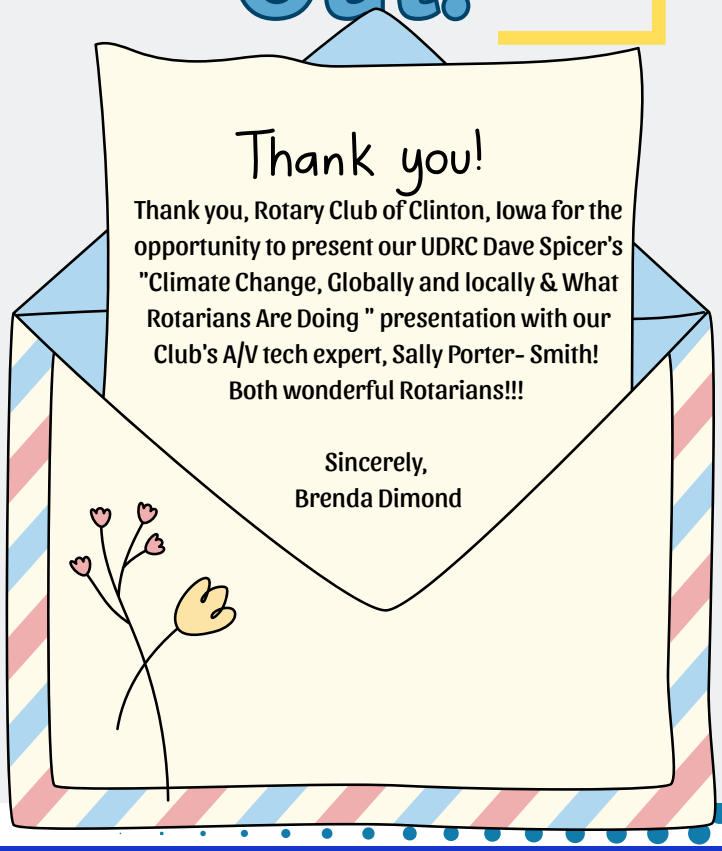
Program Chairs: Presenters need to email presentations to the Rotary Gmail and bring them on a flash drive to ensure a smooth presentation! Please and thank you. 🙂

If you can help sponsor the Victory Center's Thanksgiving Meal, please contact Pastor Ray Gimenez!

Key Dates

- 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 ROUND-UP

WEEKLY STATS

ATTENDANCE:

Online: 03
In-person: 50
Total for Sept 22: 53

GUESTS:

- Kyla Bellich
- Peyton Huebner
- Jennifer Bruce
- Megan Dove
- Angela Simmons
- Jennifer Austin
- Missy Kock
- Sarah Salstrom
- Sara Dierks
- Elizabeth Estilow
- Jenny Holm
- Debora Stewart
- Marie Goldbeck-Strunk
- Carlean Albrechtsen
- Chris Smith
- Kristen Kida
- Charlotte Courtney
- Dr. Anne Colby
- Danielle Colby
- Kemi Busker

YTD: 53

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

- Rotary Club: $ 264
  YTD $1,833
- Foundation: N/A
  YTD $70

YTD Total: $1,903

MEMBERS:

- Current Members: 67
- Membership Goal: 84

WATCH OUR MEETING HERE!

Inspiring Talks from Dr. Anne Colby & Danielle Colby

At our recent gathering, we were honored to hear from sisters **Dr. Anne Colby**, a chiropractor and business owner in Clinton, and **Danielle Colby,** well known from American Pickers and as a community advocate.

Dr. Anne Colby shared her powerful personal journey—transitioning from a young single mother with no college experience to earning advanced degrees, opening her chiropractic practice, and later facing and overcoming breast cancer. She spoke candidly about the obstacles she's faced as a woman in healthcare, including balancing family, financial struggles, and professional credibility. Dr. Colby emphasized the **importance of advocacy, communication, and integration in healthcare**—reminding us that providers of all kinds must listen, collaborate, and put the patient first.

Danielle Colby reflected on her 17 years in television and her work in the arts, highlighting challenges she's faced as a woman, as someone living with mental health conditions, and as an advocate for marginalized voices. She drew on her experiences in entertainment and her current work with burlesque history and community projects to stress the power of resilience, advocacy, and building supportive "orchestras" of people around us. Her message: **push through the hard times, lean on your community, and remember that meaningful change often comes before it is popular.**

Together, their stories reminded us of the strength found in perseverance, the value of community, and the importance of using our voices to support others.

"If you want to conduct the orchestra, you have to turn your back on the audience." – Danielle Colby

LOOKING FORWARD

PROGRAMS

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INVOCATION

SEPTEMBER 29: JOSEPH BROWN
OCTOBER 06: JAMES BRUHN
OCTOBER 13: CLAIRE BUYERT
OCTOBER 20: ALETHEA CAHOY
OCTOBER 27: MATTHEW CASTLEMAN

GREETER

SEPTEMBER 29: SHANNON SANDER-WELZIEN
OCTOBER 06: MARSHA THRALL
OCTOBER 13: GRAHAM TIMION
OCTOBER 20: ROD TOKHEIM
OCTOBER 27: BRIG TUBBS

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*
- Heather Farwell

ROTARY MOMENTS