



President Don Richards presents the “Big Check” to Bryn Carr of Room to Grow Cortland.

# CORTLAND BREAKFAST ROTARY. 8-9-23

They say it's August—we say we're still the Friendliest Club in the wholllllllllllle District!

President Don presented a check to Bryn Carr for \$3,000. Jeremy explained that the club qualified to apply for a district grant this year due to the generous donations to the Rotary Foundation by our club members. The district provided \$2,000, and the club contributed \$1,000 for the Room to Grow Community Garden project. Bryn Carr discussed the project. The project included cleaning up several truckloads of trash and drug paraphernalia from a two-acre plot on South Ave in Cortland. A one-acre garden has supplied hundreds of pounds of fresh produce to food pantries, kitchens and local residents so far this summer. In addition, the area features a educational space where they provide classes on gardening, cooking, and meal prepping, as well as cultural and art offerings. Our district grant funds will help purchase a rototiller and materials for the storage and transportation of the produce.

**President Don Richards.**  
**Thought for the Day. Matt Banazek.**  
**Rotary Anniversary. Lee Schaff.**

**Front Desk. Jim Dempsey, Mark Roberts**  
**Guests. Tim Alger, Bryn Carr**  
**Raffle. Jackie Burke**

### **Announcements**

Along with the Noon Rotary Club, the Kiwanis Club and the Cortland Community Service Club, we are holding the **Toys for Tots Concert** on September 17, 2pm, at the Center for the Arts. We hope that all of our members will attend.

**Karen Dewitt** is meeting our Exchange Student, **Noah**, with his host family at the airport on August 16.

**Steve Cinquanti** unveiled the new video/sound system, which include wearable mics for the President and Speaker and additional microphones. The PA system worked great, thanks Steve for your work!

**Don Richards** provided details about the Chicken Barbeque at Bob's Barbeque on September 30,

**Bob Martin** was happy for the music at the Center for the Arts presentation of Gypsy;

**Karen Dewitt** and **Don Ferris** congratulated **Don Richards** for an outstanding summer picnic;

**Jeremy Boylan** enjoyed a trip to Ocean City, MD, thanked **Steve Cinquanti** for the sound system, and noted **Karen Dewitt** for the Exchange Program;

**Dianne Higgins** celebrated her recent vacation;

**Don Richards** also thanked **Karen Dewitt** for the Exchange Program, and to **Steve Cinquanti** for the AV advancements.

# TOYS FOR TOTS



## CONCERT



SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2PM  
CENTER FOR THE ARTS  
HOMER, NY



PERFORMANCES BY:  
STEVE JONES  
JESSICA MOSS  
DR. MARINA GORELAYA

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