

Connect and Serve

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NOVEMBER 5, 2024

TERRI ANDERSON will be the greeter, MELINDA BAIN will be the money taker, and VAN NEIE will provide the moment of inspiration.

PROGRAM:



Morgan Gamble is the director of the Veteran and Military Success Center at Purdue. The Center was started in 2014 with two employees serving 300 students and has grown to having seven employees serving 2600 students.

The students are either veterans, current military members, or spouses or children of military members. They are all military-affiliated. The Center provides peer orientation for students as soon as they come in to enable a smooth transition into university life. There is a student organization that provides a valuable social network. The Center also provides counseling to prepare the students to enter the civilian work force. One of the biggest challenges for those who were in military service is the adjustment to college life after experiencing such a structured lifestyle.

HIGH SCHOOL GUEST:

Dominick Fattore joined us today from Harrison High School. CHRISTA KECK was his Rotarian host. He shared with us his goal of becoming a politician.



ISAIAH 1:17 HOUSE:

Emily Sampson joined us today to accept a check for the Tippecanoe County Isaiah 1:17 House, which is currently under construction. The goal of the organization is to “change the way foster care begins” by providing a comfortable home environment for the children as they await their foster placement. The money came from this year’s Ice Cream Crawl.



HIGH FIVE:

To RICHARD GIBBS for organizing the group manning the water station at the Purdue half marathon on Saturday. Hundreds of runners participated in the race and eight Rotarians were there cheering them on.



THANKS FOR YOUR HELP:

ZARJON BAHA served as greeter, PAUL ZIEMER was the money taker, and ELAINE TODD provided the moment of inspiration.

GUESTS:

Richard Pennell, father of STEVE PENNELL and Marilyn Ziemer, wife of PAUL ZIEMER.



PROGRAM SPEAKERS SCHEDULE:

November 5 – Open World program with delegation from Tajikistan

November 12 – Christina Loveless – Mary T. Klinker Veterans Center

November 19 – Greg Petrowich, President & CEO of WFYI/WBAA

November 26 – Wes Tillett, Lafayette Urban Ministry
The Kiwanis club will be joining us for this meeting.

DID YOU KNOW?

That our endowment funds at the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette yield dividends each year? Our largest fund is for our own Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation and this year the disbursement will be \$42,206. This money will go towards our spending plan for 2025-2026 and will be used for scholarships and backpacks and Imagination Library, etc. We also have a fund specifically marked for international projects. This is the first year that we will receive a disbursement from that fund. The amount will be \$273. The international committee will determine how that money will be spent.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 30 – Backpacking at Miami School 4:00
Pub Club at Black Sparrow in downtown Lafayette
5:30pm.

November 1 – Open World delegation arrives at the Purdue airport at 10:00pm. All Rotarians are invited to come to welcome them.

November 6 – Lunch at Westminster Pub with the Open World delegation. 11am. All are welcome. Everyone orders and pays on their own.

November 8 – All-club farewell dinner for the Open World delegation from Tajikistan. 5:00pm
Location: First United Methodist Church, 1700 Mitch Daniels Blvd – at the corner with U.S. 231. Cost: \$15
Tickets are available at the welcome table. Spouses and guests are welcome to attend.

November 12 – Blood Drive at Northend Community Center 10am – 2pm. Click on this link to schedule an appointment:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lafayetterotary>

RED KETTLE BELL RINGING:

Our annual volunteer effort to ring bells for Salvation Army will take place on Saturday, December 14th. Please mark your calendars now and look for the signup to be available in a few weeks. FLOYD GARROTT is organizing the event.

MAJOR PROJECT FOR 2025:

Do you have a favorite charitable cause that you would like to see receive the money raised by the Ice Cream Crawl? If so, let STEVE PENNELL know your idea and plan to be part of the Major Project committee, which will meet in January. This is your opportunity to help decide where our charitable funds will go in 2025.

CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS:

Nominations are now open for Directors to serve on the Club Board starting July 1, 2025 for a three-year term. Give names to Renee after you have asked the nominee.

LISTEN TO PAST ROTARY MEETINGS:

Each week an audio recording of the Rotary meeting is saved so that members can listen at any time. Click on the link below to listen to a recent meeting.

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

CATHY	BARRON	November 7
DIANE	BOENER	November 19
JIM	BOLLOCK	November 18
GORDON L.	COPPOC	November 11
HARRIET	COPPOC	November 20
RENEE	FIGUEROA	November 17
SANGITA	HANDA	November 22
DANIEL L.	HEMAN	November 25
LARRY F.	HUGGINS	November 30
J. CRAIG	IRVINE	November 28
TIMOTHY	LUZADER	November 9
KATHERINE	MEEKS	November 11
VAN	NEIE	November 1
ERIC	ORENSTEIN	November 8
RHONDA	OVERMAN	November 4