

Connect and Serve

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DECEMBER 10, 2024

ZARJON BAHA will be the greeter, JACK KELLEY will be the money taker, CHRISTY PRESTON be the money counter, and PHIL KLINER will provide the moment of inspiration.

PROGRAM:

Candace Britten and Kelli Briscoe work with Purdue student athletes. In May, they led a group of twenty students to Costa Rica with an organization called Courts for Kids. The purpose of their trip was to make a concrete basketball court in the town of Waldeck for the whole



community to use. They called the experience “Boilermakers Beyond Borders.” They found the people in Waldeck to be extremely kind, welcoming, and joyful. Even after working a long, hard day



on the banana plantations, the local men were willing to help with the physical labor. The students gained new insight into another culture and found the experience to be very enriching. Candace and Kelli hope to have similar trips every other year. One of the student participants, Quintin Lowe, shared with us that he enjoyed the trip and has a new appreciation for people in Costa Rica.



GUESTS:

Nate Gustus and David Zarate, guests of DIANE BOENER and former members of the Greater Lafayette Satellite club.

HIGH SCHOOL GUESTS:

Alondra Vasquez and Conor Menon joined us today from McCutcheon High School. Conor’s parents were in attendance as well.



VICKI BURCH was their host.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP:

FAYE COLE served as greeter, PRIS GERDE was the money taker, MELINDA BAIN was the money counter, and ALEA FAVERO provided the moment of inspiration talking about Challenge Coins. These are commemorative coins meant to honor a person’s service. She presented a Rotary challenge coin to DENNIS FIGUEROA for his service to the club and the coffee committee.



PROGRAM SPEAKERS SCHEDULE:

December 10 – Annual meetings of Club and Foundation to elect officers and directors.

December 17 – Holiday music program featuring professional performer, Audrey Johnson.

December 24, December 31, January 7 –
NO ROTARY MEETINGS

NOMINEES FOR CLUB BOARD, 2025-2026:

President: Pris Gerde

President-Elect: Arvid Olson

Vice President: Lane Custer

(to be President 2027-2028)

Secretary: Renee Figueroa

Treasurer: Kathy Meeks

Continuing as Directors: Zarjon Baha, Mary Kay Davis, Richard Gibbs, Katie Nielsen, Christy Preston
Steve Pennell will serve as the Board Chair.

NOMINEES FOR FOUNDATION BOARD, 2025-2026:

President: Rhonda Overman

Vice President: Marti Gutwein

Secretary: Renee Figueroa

Treasurer: Paul Ziemer

New Director: Bob Stolz

Continuing as Director: Elaine Todd

Club Representative: Pris Gerde

TABLE DISCUSSIONS:

Next Tuesday we will take time during our meeting to discuss the following questions:

Thinking of all aspects of our club, what do you see as our strengths?

Thinking of all aspects of our club, where would you like to see some improvement?

Do you have names of friends or acquaintances that you would like to invite to a Rotary meeting?

UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 4 – Backpacking at Miami School 4:00 pm.
Pub Club at Bistro 501 in Lafayette at 5:30 pm.

December 10 – Annual meetings and elections of Directors and Officers of both the Club and the Foundation.

Imagination Library committee meeting at 1:00 pm.

December 12 – Annual Holiday Jingle and Mingle Party at the Habitat Junction House, 215 Smith St, Lafayette. 5:30pm Sign up at the welcome table or on signupgenius.



December 14 – Red Kettle Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Please mark your calendars now. FLOYD GARROTT is organizing the event. Sign up here:

[2024 Rotary Red Kettle Campaign](#)

December 19 – Truck unloading at Miami School 8:15am.



No Rotary meetings on Dec 24th or 31st or Jan 7th

January 14 – Major New Project committee meeting after Rotary

DID YOU KNOW?

That we'll be attending a Purdue women's basketball game on Sunday, February 2, 2025 at 2 pm? Tickets will be only \$5 each. Spouses and guests are invited. Mark your calendars now. Stay tuned for more details.

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 PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

This list indicates the number of consecutive months of perfect attendance, including makeups.

ANDERSON	TERRI	1			
BAHA	ZARJON	18			
BOENER	DIANE	1			
BURCH	VICKI	2			
COLE	FAYE	1			
COPPOC	GORDON	4			
COPPOC	HARRIET	4			
CORBETT	NATASHA	8			
CUSTER	LANE	3			
DAVIS	MARY KAY	14			
DECKER	KEN	18			
FAVERO	ALEA	5			
FIGUEROA	DENNIS	47			
FIGUEROA	RENEE	108			
FREISER	HELENE	4			
GALBRAITH	ROB	1			
GARROTT	FLOYD	2			
GERDE	PRIS	10			
GIBBS	RICHARD	16			
GUTWEIN	MARTI	1			
HANDA	SANGITA	1			
HEMAN	DAN	27			
JOHANNSEN	CHRIS	4			
KECK	CHRISTA	346			
KELLEY	JACK	165			
			KLIM	IYA	4
			KLIM	RUDY	4
			KLUSMAN	JIM	165
			LUZADER	TIM	3
			MCDIVITT	WES	13
			MEEKS	KATHY	27
			MILLER	BILL	628
			MITHOEFER	STAN	2
			NEIE	VAN	3
			NIELSEN	KATIE	107
			OLSON	ARVID	18
			OVERMAN	RHONDA	88
			PENNELL	STEVE	27
			PRESTON	CHRISTY	58
			RAHDERT	DICK	4
			ROBLEDO	BECKY	36
			RUTLEDGE	CHIP	1
			SOLBERG	LIZ	1
			STOLZ	BOB	97
			TODD	ELAINE	4
			TONSING	BETTY	2
			TROTT	JOHN	11
			TURNER	JANE	63
			WADE	JO	108
			ZAWISZA	RITA	2