

## Connect and Serve

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### MARCH 11, 2025

ZARJON BAHA will be the greeter, PRIS GERDE and CHRISTY PRESTON will be the money takers, CHRISTY PRESTON will be the money counter and BOB ANDERSON will present the moment of inspiration.

### PROGRAM:

Our two major projects for 2025 and recipients of funds from our Ice Cream Crawl will be Caregiver Companion and Mackey Children's Cancer Foundation. RHONDA OVERMAN spoke about Caregiver Companion, which has been around for twenty-nine years providing help for those caring for the elderly and the disabled. Their volunteers provide respite care and transportation to medical appointments. Our funding will enable them to host two educational events for caregivers and also to provide lawn tools for their lawn clean-up day. CHRISTY PRESTON spoke about the Mackey Children's Cancer Foundation and the need that families have for extra support when a child is diagnosed with cancer. Our funds will help families with transportation needs and medical bills. YOU can help by supporting our 2025 Ice Cream Crawl. Plan to take a poster to a local business this summer and to purchase some passports to be given to families.

BOB ANDERSON has been working to keep our Rotary Facebook page interesting and up-to-date. If you use Facebook, be sure to go to the Lafayette Rotary page and "follow" it. BOB explained to us how to share the page with our friends as a way of getting more exposure. BOB even offered to give individual instructions to any who ask.

### THANKS FOR YOUR HELP:

DAVE SATTLER served as greeter, CELE MCCARTHY was the money taker, MELINDA BAIN was the money counter, and DAVE SATTLER provided the moment of inspiration.

### HIGH SCHOOL GUESTS:

Bliss Ulery and Thomas Henry joined us today from Central Catholic High School. They are both members of the Interact club there. LIZ SOLBERG was their host.



### HIGH FIVE:

To BOB STOLZ for working to find students to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership retreat at Camp Tecumseh. Unfortunately, the event was cancelled for this year due to lack of participation.



### GUESTS:

Charles Holbrook, guest of PRIS GERDE, Peter Hollenbeck, guest of LANE CUSTER

## PROGRAM SPEAKERS SCHEDULE:

**March 11** – Lindsay Hamm, AI grading at Purdue

**March 18** – Michael Tetreault, Wabash & Erie Canal

**March 25** – Paul Robinson, climbing Mt. Everest

**April 1** – David Anders, The Rotary Foundation

## PROPOSED NEW MEMBER:

Monica Steinhubl has been proposed for membership by RENEE FIGUEROA. Monica has been a Rotarian before in Anchorage, Alaska. Be sure to greet Monica the next time she attends Rotary.

## MANY THANKS:

We are grateful to RICHARD RAHDERT for the many years he has served as The Rotary Foundation chair. DICK is a strong supporter of TRF and has always encouraged our members to do the same. Thanks, DICK! CHIP RUTLEDGE has agreed to step into this role as of July 1, 2025. Thanks, CHIP.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**March 5** – Backpacking at Miami School at 4:00

**March 5** – Rotaract meeting in Smith Hall at Purdue at 7:00pm. Let PRIS GERDE know if you would like to attend.

**March 9** – Daylight Saving Time Begins

**March 9** – Euchre game night at the home of BOB STOLZ from 6-8pm. 3292 N 400 W in West Lafayette.



**March 11** – Coffee Project committee meeting before Rotary at 11:15;

Ice Cream Crawl committee meeting after Rotary

**April 21** – Volunteering at the LUM food pantry at St. John's Episcopal church at the corner of 6<sup>th</sup> and Ferry in Lafayette. 11:30am – 4pm.

## PUB CLUB RESTARTING:

Pub Club will be held once per month starting on THURSDAY, March 13<sup>th</sup> at Bru Burger in Lafayette at 5:30pm. Contact HELENE FREISER if you are interested in attending.

## NEW VOLUNTEER PROJECT:

On Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, we have agreed to help at the LUM food pantry from 11:30am – 4:00pm. This takes place at St. John's Episcopal Church at the corner of 6<sup>th</sup> and Ferry in Lafayette. This is another way we can provide "Service Above Self." Contact TERRI ANDERSON if you are interested in helping.

## LOCAL BUSINESS OF THE MONTH:



We were pleased to have Kris Kessler join us today from Stall & Kessler's Diamond Center to tell us about the business and to accept the certificate as Local Business of the Month. The store is located at 333 Columbia Street in Lafayette. Be sure to stop in to check out the beautiful diamonds they have on display.



## NEW MEMBERSHIP TYPES:

The membership committee has proposed new membership types, which were approved by the Board of Directors. They are:

- For those new members under 40 years old, 25% discount on dues for the first two years
- For businesses, \$450 for two members and \$600 for three members
- For non-profits, \$300 for a single member and \$400 for two members

Do you know of someone or a business or organization that would fit into one of these categories? If so, contact KARISSA MOONEY for more details.

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

BAHA	ZARJON	21
BAIN	MELINDA	1
BARRON	CATHY	1
BOENER	DIANE	4
COPPOC	GORDON	7
COPPOC	HARRIET	7
CORBETT	NATASHA	11
CUSTER	LANE	6
DAVIS	MARY KAY	17
DECKER	KEN	21
FAVERO	ALEA	8
FIGUEROA	DENNIS	50
FIGUEROA	RENEE	111
FREISER	HELENE	7
GARROTT	FLOYD	5
GERDE	PRIS	13
GIBBS	RICHARD	19
HANDA	SANGITA	4
HEMAN	DAN	30
KECK	CHRISTA	349
KELLEY	JACK	168
KLIM	RUDY	7
KLUSMAN	JIM	168
LUZADER	TIM	1
MCDIVITT	WES	16
MEEKS	KATHY	30
MILLER	BILL	631
MITHOEFER	STAN	1
MOONEY	KARISSA	3
NEIE	VAN	6
NIELSEN	KATIE	110
OLSON	ARVID	21
PENNELL	STEVE	30
PRESTON	CHRISTY	61
RAHDERT	DICK	7
ROBLEDO	BECKY	39
RUTLEDGE	CHIP	4
SCHNEIDER	JOHN	1
STOLZ	BOB	100
TONSING	BETTY	5
TROTT	JOHN	14
TURNER	JANE	66
WADE	JO	111
ZAWISZA	RITA	5
ZIEMER	PAUL	1

## HOORAY FOR YOU!

DICK RAHDERT has served as The Rotary Foundation chair for the past decade. Hooray for you and thanks! CHIP RUTLEDGE has agreed to take on this position starting on July 1, 2025. Hooray for you and thanks!



### Donating to Lafayette Rotary

To donate to our Club's international projects:  
Make check payable to: District 6560 Foundation with  
"Lafayette Rotary International Pass-Through Fund"  
in the memo.

To donate to our Club's international endowment:  
Make check payable to:  
Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette with  
"Lafayette Rotary International Endowment Fund"  
in the memo.

To donate to our Club's local projects:  
Make check payable to:  
Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation.

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