

Connect and Serve

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PROGRAM FOR JULY 23:

Dan Neufelder - President, IU Arnett

MEETING FUNCTIONS FOR JULY 23:

Greeters: SALLY SIEGRIST - 11:00

MARTI GUTWEIN - 11:30

Money Takers: - LINDA GUTWEIN - 11:00

STAN MITHOEFER - 11:30

Invocation: CHRISTA KECK

Money Counter: DAN HEMAN

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

July 30 - EVENING MEETING at FOUR POINTS
meal at 5:15; meeting at 6

Aug 6 - Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation presentation
and awarding check to Imagination Library

Aug 13 - Pete Seat - Atlantic Council Millennium
Fellowship

Aug 20 - Brian Tanner - Spaceport Exploration Center

Aug 27 - Kristina Lindborg - Citizen's Climate Lobby

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- July 17 - Pub Club at BruBurger 131 Main St

- July 18 - Hike/Bike to the Bog 11:00 am

- July 19 - Tour of IU Med School at Purdue 10 am

PROGRAM:

Zach Pattison is Program Coordinator at Food Finders Food Bank. He shared facts and statistics related to food insecurity and its effects on children. In Indiana, 19% of children live in food insecure homes. At Miami School that number is 82%. Children facing hunger are more likely to miss school, to have an inability to focus, and to drop out of high school. Because our Rotary backpack project provides food every weekend for 84 children, this helps the students succeed in school and can break the cycle of poverty from one generation to another. Even though there is no scarcity of food supply in America, food insecurity occurs because of economics and access to a variety of healthy foods. In areas where there is limited bus transportation and a



minimal number of grocery stores, families cannot readily get the food they need. Hungry children can sometimes be angry, aggressive, anti-social and hyperactive. The program we support provides three to four meals per backpack each weekend and is making a significant impact on the families at Miami School. Next month we will start our twelfth year of making a difference in our community this way. Thanks to all Rotarians for your support and for those who volunteer to make this program run smoothly.

CONGRATULATIONS:



MICHAEL KING received his Paul Harris Fellow +1 pin for his contributions to The Rotary Foundation. Thanks, MICHAEL, for your generosity.

NEW MEMBERS:

Today we welcomed two new members:



MARY KAY DAVIS: I am a native of Grand Rapids Michigan. I attended nursing school in South Bend where I met and married my husband, Mark. He passed away unexpectedly two years ago. We have four lovely daughters and eight grandchildren. I was with Arnett Clinic as a clinical nurse for 10 years and then Unity Healthcare

as an EMR Clinical Analyst for 11 years. In 2009, I received a master's degree in Education with a concentration in workforce education. I retired in June of last year. I look forward to using some of my retirement hours to help support Rotary Projects.

BEATRIX RAUSCH: I live in West Lafayette. I am married and have one child and two stepchildren. I am the product of immigrant parents and learned to speak multiple languages at a young age. I enjoy reading, traveling, tennis, and skiing in my free time. I also provide voice over



services for a variety of companies and I am a groupie for my husband's band. I have been working as a school psychologist for the past twenty-two years. Currently, I work as a school psychologist for the Benton County Schools. My professional interests include increasing funding programs for children and young adults with disabilities and/or giftedness both locally and internationally. I credit my career and personal success to my amazing and supportive parents, IYA and RUDY KLIM. Thank you for welcoming me to the Rotary club. I look forward to getting involved.

COFFEE PROJECT:

MARTI GUTWEIN presented information about a Rotary project that members have been discussing and researching over the past several months. This project involves working with Copper Moon Coffee to package and sell "Rotary Coffee" as a fundraiser. Other clubs could participate as well with a portion of the proceeds going to them and a portion coming back to our club. More planning will go into this before a definite decision is made. If you have expertise that you can share to help move this project forward, contact MARTI.

HIGH FIVE:



To KATIE NIELSEN for organizing the blood drive last week. And thanks to all of the members who donated: WADE, MCDIVITT, SATTLER, PRESTON, OVERMAN, NIELSEN, M GUTWEIN, MITHOEFER, L KELLEY, G COPPOC, STOLZ and G RAMSEY.

SINGING BACKPACK VOLUNTEERS:



GUESTS: Christian Beaver from Granite Student Living, guest of SALLY SIEGRIST; Linda Tarkington, guest of CHRISTY PRESTON; Taletha Coles, guest of BRYAN METZGER; and Amanda Henry, principal of Miami School and guest of BECKY ROBLED0.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELP WITH MEETING FUNCTIONS:

Greeter: DAVE SATTLER and SCOTT RUMBLE

Money Takers: JIM BODENMILLER and JIM DIMITROFF

Invocation: KATHRYN OREOVICZ

Money Counter: FLOYD GARROTT

Music: BOB GRIFFITHS and BOB VERPLANK

Other valuable help: LARRY HUGGINS, JO WADE KATIE NIELSEN

PAYLESS/KROGER GENEROSITY:

A surprise announcement was received from Kroger that they will continue supplying milk to the backpack families but will be giving us a discount of 40% on the regular price. Previously our discount was 20%. Many thanks to them for helping us add this item to the backpacks each week.

SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION:

From now through Aug 6th, school supplies will be collected at Tuesday meetings. Look for the box in the back of the room. A list of specific supplies was attached to the *Ripples* email.

VETERANS HISTORY PROJECT:

Some Rotarians attended the training session for the Veterans History Project. An interview day will be held on Sat, Sept 21st at the Northend Community Center from 10-6. Contact SALLY SIEGRIST if you would like to participate as a veteran or an interviewer.

VOTE FOR LTHC:

LTHC was just named by Reader's Digest as the Nicest Place in Indiana! Vote by clicking here:

https://www.rd.com/nicestplaces/the-nicest-place-in-indiana-lafayette-transitional-housing-center-in-lafayette/?fbclid=IwAR0LDZu7nUGJ_f4xwx9WsqSzBxaBlcABqZcglneTrU8_mXO_Gt5YMx50U

ROTARIAN TO BE HONORED:

BETTY NELSON will be honored at the August 27th **Women's Equality Day Luncheon** given by Girl Scouts of Central Indiana. The luncheon is planned at the Fowler House Mansion, 909 South St, from 11:30 am -1 pm. Tickets are \$25 and are available at www.girlscoutsindiana.org/wedllaf.

THANKS RECEIVED:

We received a thank you from Civic Youth Theatre for our contribution to their summer camp program. You may wish to attend a performance of Peter Pan Jr.