

## Connect and Serve

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### MEETING JULY 28<sup>th</sup> AT LAFAYETTE COUNTRY CLUB @ NOON

Angela Meek will speak to us about Multiple Sclerosis. Reserve your meal in advance by going to: [lafayetterotary.org](http://lafayetterotary.org)

### VIRTUAL PUB CLUB:

Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30. Here is the zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81021293424?pwd=R2haSGRrL09OMkZlY3BnOXdkVmJoZz09>

### PROGRAM:

Some say that printed books are going to disappear in the computer age. Nick Schenkel has been the director of West Lafayette Public Library since 1981 and his experience tells him that this will not happen. People, and especially children, are still anxious for the opportunity to read a printed book.



During the Covid crisis, the library is experiencing 40% of normal circulation activity. Their hours are limited to just twenty-two hours per week. But the use of ebooks has gone up 60%. One way that Nick promotes reading in our community is through his weekly book reviews broadcast on WBAA. He has been doing that for more than thirty years. The book he reviewed for us today is *The Siren and the Specter* by Jonathan Janz. The author is a local high school English teacher who uses a pen name. The story is of a skeptic who visits "the most haunted house in Virginia" and has paranormal experiences that cause him to become a believer. Nick had praise for the book that is well-written with unforgettable characters. Here are a couple of other books that Nick recommends: *The Pianist from Syria: A Memoir* by Aeham Ahmad telling how he was able to flee from war-torn Syria and come to the United States; and *Save Me the Plums: My Gourmet Memoir* by Ruth Reichl who was editor in chief of *Gourmet* magazine. These and many other interesting books are available at the West Lafayette Public Library.

There were 17 members present plus 1 guest. On Zoom there were 23 members.

### GUESTS:

Corey Hall, guest of CHRISTINE MILLS.

### HIGH FIVE:

High Fives to RHONDA OVERMAN, CHRISTY



PRESTON and LINDA TARKINGTON for presenting our program last week on short notice. Great job, ladies!

### HELP WITH THE ICE CREAM CRAWL:

Here is the link for Rotarians to sign up for either the Farmer's Market or the ICC Event. The yellow areas still need filled in. There are 2 sheets to this spreadsheet. Contact LINDA TARKINGTON with questions.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1sXWCxReyaWY8oCCiaDZTkOMI1CdZAaodLNrnv74hm4/edit#gid=0>

### ZOOM ZOOM:

How wonderful that technology allows many members to join our meetings remotely! JANE TURNER works hard to identify all zoomers for accurate attendance records. We have been able to work out some of the kinks to improve the meeting experience for all. Continue to be patient whenever glitches occur - all those involved are doing what they can to make things go smoothly.

### SUPPORTING OUR BACKPACK PROGRAM:

A generous Rotarian is offering to match any donations up to \$500 given to Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation with memo to Food Finders Food Bank between now and August 31, 2020. These monies will be part of our backpack project for the year. Thanks in advance to all who will participate.

## THANKS TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Invocation: RHONDA OVERMAN  
Soloist: ARVID OLSON  
Greeter: KARISSA MOONEY  
Money Counter: DAN HEMAN and CHRISTY PRESTON  
Technology Manager: JO WADE

## TO BUY PASSPORTS FOR THE ICE CREAM CRAWL:



- Go to:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lafayette-e-rotary-ice-cream-crawl-tickets-97438576405>  
to purchase either an individual (\$10) or family (\$25) passport.
- You will receive an email receipt from Eventbrite
- Take the receipt with you on Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> to any of the ice cream shops and you will get a passport from the Rotarian helping that day.
- We are asking all Rotarians to purchase and donate the passports to LUM to share with their summer camp children. Just let Renee know that you have made the purchase and she will see that the children get the passports.

## ATTENDING IN PERSON:

Lafayette Country Club allows six people per table rather than eight. Meals are served plated, not buffet-style. Masks are worn by all of the staff. Rotarians are expected to wear masks coming and leaving the meetings. Zoomers, we will be glad to see you in person whenever you decide it is the right time for you to return.

## THANK YOU RECEIVED:

From Civic Theatre: "Thank you so much for your generosity towards our Civic Youth Theatre summer camps. Your \$500 scholarship not only is a wonderful financial gift, but it came in a time where good news has been so hard to find. You gave our virtual camps a boost by helping fund the necessary equipment to get the job done. We are so grateful, and our camps have been very successful." Julie Baumann

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Make check payable to: *Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette*  
with "Lafayette Rotary" in the memo.

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