

## Connect and Serve

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### AUGUST 24 MEETING:

Carla Watkins will tell us about Two Tulips, located in downtown Lafayette.

Kindly reserve your meal in advance before Friday noon by going to: [lafayetterotary.org](http://lafayetterotary.org).

Here is the zoom link for the meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88556715835?pwd=ZUN1cW5keWxBV3FyWFhCSUxyYmN5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 885 5671 5835

Passcode: 004944

Note to zoomers: There will be no zoom connection for the meetings on 8-31; 9-7; and 9-14.

### PROGRAM:

Today we heard an interesting and informative presentation from Reilly Huelsmann from the Alzheimer's Association. Reilly is a program manager with the organization and helps people to connect to resources that can help those who have the disease as well as caregivers. Every 60 seconds, another person is diagnosed with Alzheimer's. One in three people over the age of 65 will die with it. The vision of the Association which was founded in 1980 is to see a world without Alzheimer's. There are seventy-eight chapters nationwide. The local chapter has twenty staff members and they serve seventy-three counties in Indiana. The 24/7 help line number is 1-800-272-3900. Other services offered are support groups and educational programs. There are several FDA approved medicines that treat symptoms of Alzheimer's. In June of 2020 a new drug came on the market that slows the progress of the disease if it is diagnosed early. There is an Alzheimer's Disease Rotary Action Group that was started in 2012. The vision of this group is: To leverage our members' extensive experience, resources and the Rotary network to support and promote Alzheimer's and dementia-related projects of all sizes at the local



Rotary, district, and international level through providing a global platform for collaboration, education, and support.

You can find more information at [adrag.org](http://adrag.org).

The local Walk to End Alzheimer's Disease will take place in Lafayette on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> and will start at Riehle Plaza. GAIL BRICKLER can answer any questions you have about this event.

There is no fee to register, but participants are expected to raise funds for this worthy cause.

For more information, go to: [alz.org/training](http://alz.org/training)

There were 41 members present at the meeting and 11 members joined by zoom.

### CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS:

To Pris Gerde who reached Diamond level of giving to Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation and to Cele McCarthy who reached Paul Harris Fellow +4 level of giving to The Rotary Foundation. Thanks, ladies!



### MATCHING GRANT:

Donations to **Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette** with "Lafayette Rotary" in the memo line will be matched dollar-for-dollar between now and Feb 2, 2022. You will receive credit towards Golden Service for your donation AND the matching donation.

### IT'S MY CLOSET:

Thanks to the seven Rotarians who came to help at It's My Closet on Friday. You accomplished a lot to make the store a nicer place for families to shop. Our next volunteer opportunity will be on Sept 24 from 10-noon.

## WHAT GOOD DOES OUR MONEY DO?

The Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club was able to purchase tables for an outdoor classroom area that was used by hundreds of children during the summer.



They also installed a free small library. Here are some photos. Join us on Friday at 3:30 to get a tour of their facility. 1529 N 10<sup>th</sup> St



## BACKPACK PROGRAM:

The Backpack Program at Miami Elementary School is seeking of a Team Leader for the months of Sept, Oct. & Nov. Below are the responsibilities:

1. Create a Monthly Sign-up sheet and post it at our weekly Tuesday meetings. (best to have 4-5 Rotarians and we should be able to count on 2 members of the Purdue Rotaract Club, as they have already said they want to help this year).
2. Send out a courtesy reminder email on Tuesday evening to those that signed up to help that week. We will NOT distribute the backpacks; teachers will be doing this again this year.
3. Be present and lead the group of volunteers each Wednesday. (Last year, the group liked the 4:30pm time to pack. A couple of volunteers would show up around 4pm and set the stage appropriately, based on the menu provided by Food Finders, however time is somewhat flexible.)

We would love for someone to step up. If you have questions, please contact me, or feel free to reach out to Cathy Barron or Jack Kelley. Both are Team Leaders for this Project, Cathy is responsible for Dec, Jan. & Feb. Jack is responsible for March, April & May. We are approaching our 14<sup>th</sup> Year at Miami Elementary School and we will begin providing healthy food & milk on a weekly basis starting Wednesday, September 15, 2021.

This has always been a fun and rewarding opportunity to do what we can to help eliminate hunger in our community.

Thank you for considering to step up as a Team Leader, hoping to hear from someone soon.

Becky Robledo, Chairperson of the Backpack Program (765) 479-2511

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**August 18** - Pub Club at Red Seven 5:30.

**August 20** - Tour Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club from 3:30-4:00 to see their outdoor classroom furnished by a grant we gave this past spring. 1529 N 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lafayette. Contact Renee if you have questions.

**August 21** - Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual ICE CREAM CRAWL Be there or be square!

**August 26** - Leta Kelley 2021 Women Build House Blessing 5:30 pm. 2521 Poland Hill Rd

**August 31 - Rotary Meet and Greet** at Lafayette Country Club from 5:30-7:30 pm. This will be our regular Rotary meeting. Invite your friends who might be interested in Rotary. Cost will be \$25/person. Cash bar. The deadline to pay for reservations is Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at noon.

These businesses have given financial support for this event so that guests can attend free of charge:

**McLaughlin Asset Management, Brokerage  
Brewing and The Russell Company.**

**September 1** - Serving a meal at Lafayette Urban Ministry. 8:00 pm. The New Rotarians Committee is in charge. Donations now being accepted of the following items: individually wrapped breakfast items, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, and cash! Items can be placed in the box by the badges and cash in the marked container on the table.

**September 18** - Alzheimer's Walk. 9:30 am at Riehle Plaza. Contact GAIL BRICKLER if you have questions.

**September 24** - Help at It's My Closet from 10 - noon.

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Make check payable to: *Community*

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with "Lafayette Rotary" in the memo.

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