

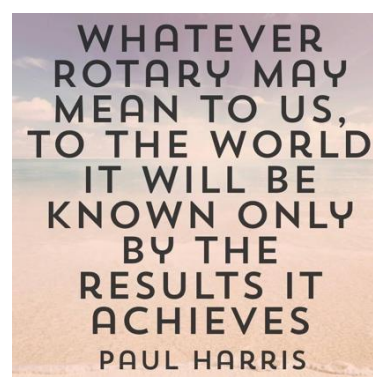


# THE DAYBREAKER

January 30th, 2025



Today we had 20 in person attendees and 11 ZOOM attendees.



**GUESTS:** Peggy Johnson

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** Chris Mills

**INVOCATION:** Stephen Wagner

### **Service Opportunity:**

Dear Loyal Blood Donors,

The next Rotary/ Red Cross Blood Drive is on Tuesday, February 11, from 10:00am until 2:00pm at the Hanna Community Room, 2nd floor of the Northend Community Center. Please click on the link below to schedule a donation time.

Blood is a perishable product that can only come from volunteer blood donors. With someone in the U.S. needing blood every two seconds, blood products must be constantly replenished. By donating blood you'll help ensure that patients in local hospitals have a supply of blood ready and waiting before an emergency occurs. There's no better feeling than knowing that your blood donation may give someone a second chance at life! Donors with all blood types are needed.

Thanks for your past lifesaving donations! Katie

Direct link-<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lafayetterotary>

## Program: Ryan O’Gara – Area Planning Commission

Cory introduced Ryan, who has been the Associate Director of the Area Planning Commission for 15 years, moving to the Director’s position last year. Ryan has a Master’s in Urban Planning and is credentialed by the Institute of Urban Planning.



Ryan explained that the Commission has been in existence since 1960 and is a cooperative effort of the 3 cities, 3 towns and the County. It is charged with planning for transportation and land use. He further explained that use of property is governed by zoning regulations or a negotiation between the property owner, developer and the Planning Commission.

He went on to show the plans for the Hub Chauncey. This project is an important one for the area since it is in the heart of West Lafayette and the Commission felt they had one chance to get this right. The area is the property that used to be the Chauncey Hill Mall, which has been totally removed and is now a gaping hole. The process began in 2016 with preliminary requests to use the land for a multi-use development. It is now in its 4<sup>th</sup> iteration. It will be a L-shaped group of buildings using the footprint of the Chauncey Hill Mall. Much of the previous ground level parking will become an open area available to the public but owned by the developers.

The buildings will be 12 or 13 stories and include a 3-story underground parking garage. The ground level will include up to 25K sq ft of retail space with 9K sq ft of office space on the mezzanine level. The remainder will be 681 apartment units, with a mixture of student housing and market value apartments. The student housing will include units with up to 5 bedroom/bathroom units and as small as 400 sq ft efficiency apartments. The market value apartments will be more traditional apartment units. The Commission did mandate that all bedrooms have windows, and this has led to some of the more interesting architectural elements of the structures. Input from Purdue University suggested study and meeting spaces for the students to work collaboratively on projects. The plan is to complete the project to be open for Fall 2027.

Many questions came up as to parking, particularly when he explained that there will be a total of 550 parking spaces. Ryan responded by saying that many students no longer bring cars if they are able to walk and use Uber and such. They also have set aside parking areas for semi-trucks to unload easily and not block traffic flow. In answer to questions about the retail spaces he felt the developers had a handle on the amount needed and were negotiating with Chase Bank to move there, freeing their present building across the street to be titled to the City.

**Thought of the Week:** A true leader doesn't create followers He creates more leaders ~ adillaresh.com

**Trivia Question for the week:** What U.S. president has the shortest inaugural address ever delivered?

**The answer to last week's trivia question:** Why do we say o'clock?

"O'Clock" sounds like the surname of an Irish family whose quirk is being punctual. (Actually, that's not a bad idea for an animated children's TV series.) But back to the topic at hand — if someone says something is "happening at 5 o'clock," it's understood that it's either at sunrise or happy hour. The term "o'clock" is an adverb that always follows a numeral to indicate the time of day. It's almost exclusively a whole number, as you'd never say, "it's one-thirty o'clock" — that just sounds odd. Why do we say o'clock?



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

**February 6<sup>th</sup> – Luisa White – Legal Aid**

**February 20<sup>th</sup> – Offsite Meeting at Wanderlust Coffee**

**February 27<sup>th</sup> – Purdue Nurse Practitioner Scholarship Awards**

**March 6<sup>th</sup> – David Teter – Greyt Event Media**



## **JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH**

### Rotarian Code of Conduct

#### As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

**IT'S A GREAT TIME TO REVIEW & SHARE THIS!**

**Rotary**  
District 6560

