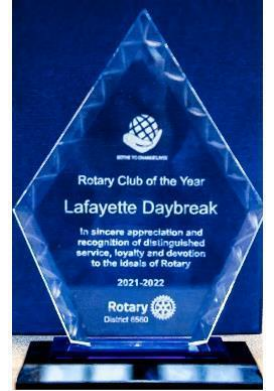




THE DAYBREAKER

February 16th, 2023



Today we had 18 in person attendees and 6 Zoom attendees.

Service Opportunities:

If you have interest in volunteering at Food Finders Food Bank, please contact Larry Fisher

Fellowship Opportunity: The Noon Club is having a pizza buffet at Bruno's on the Levee next Thursday, February 23rd at 5:30 PM. Daybreak Rotarians are invited, but will need to contact Renee Figueroa (reneerotary@gmail.com) so she can provide a head count for the event. Tickets will be \$20 per person.

GUESTS: Allison Lapcheska

INVOCATION: Dean Huddleston

REACQUAINTANCE MESSAGE: Deanna McMillan

PROGRAM: Jennifer Eberly – Safe Haven Box and Franciscan Cancer Center

Jennifer is the Director of Development for the Franciscan Foundation in the West Central area. She spoke on two of their most recent projects. The first of these is the installation of Safe Haven Baby Boxes at the Franciscan locations in the region. This was initially encouraged by a men's group in the area and started with a box at Franciscan East in 2021 and then they were able to raise funds to install one in Crawfordsville and another in Rensselaer. These each cost about \$10,000 for the box

itself and \$18-30K for the physical installation and the wiring, alarms, etc. that are required. The boxes are installed only at hospitals or fire stations that can respond instantly to a baby left. It was felt that this activity really fit with the Franciscan ethics in preserving life and allows mothers to leave off a child they cannot care for without any legal consequences or questions.

When a baby is left off, which has not occurred to this point in this region, an alarm goes off and the child is immediately removed and evaluated for its health and then sent into the Child and Protective Services system for ongoing care.

She then discussed the new Franciscan Cancer Center at Lafayette East. This was started to make cancer care much more patient friendly and to allow the local hospital to more successfully recruit physicians to care for cancer patients. It will take the cancer services now located at six different locations at the East campus area into one location and will include cancer diagnosis services as well as oncology services and radiation oncology all in the new 68,000 sq ft facility. They will have a new linear accelerator available and add 3 new physicians will be added to the staff at that facility. Another plus will be the ability to include cancer patients in clinical trials without having to travel to Indianapolis. They also hope to add more nurse navigator services and provide Spiritual care and Palliative Care services in one area. Comprehensive laboratory and radiology services in the locations.



The Foundation hopes to raise \$3.2 M to cover the cost increases from the time the project, which will cost \$42M in total. The project is progressing well and hopefully will open in the first quarter of 2024.

Thought of the Week: The key to realizing a dream is to focus not on success but on significance — and then even the small steps and little victories along your path will take on greater meaning. ~ Oprah Winfrey

Trivia Question for the week: Who invented the Julian calendar?

Answer from last week's trivia question: What was George Washington's annual salary as president?

When President George Washington took office in 1789, the salary of the president was established at \$25,000 per year. Washington was not provided with the perks of a modern president, was often forced to dip into his personal finances for official duties. According to the Congressional Research Service, Washington's \$25,000 salary equates to more than \$4.5 million today. Since 2001, the president has earned a \$400,000 annual salary, along with a \$50,000 annual expense account, a \$100,000 nontaxable travel account, and \$19,000 for entertainment.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

February 23 – Laura Esman from Purdue Extension Forestry & Natural Resources on Conserving Whooping Crane Populations in Indiana