

Connect and Serve

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FEBRUARY 14, 2023

BOB STOLZ will share about his experiences as a marathon runner.

VAN NEIE will be the greeter, MARY KAY DAVIS will be the money taker, CHRISTY PRESTON will be the money counter, and JACK KELLEY will provide the moment of inspiration.

PROGRAM:

Right Steps Child Development Centers is a not-for-profit organization that runs child care centers and provides education and resources to families. They have four centers in Lafayette and serve 420 children. The new co-CEOs came and spoke to us today, Tammey Lindblom and Victoria Matney. Both have been with Right Steps for many years. In 2012 Right Steps took over the administration of the Imagination Library program. This program provides free books to children ages 0 to 5. Imagination Library was started by Dolly Parton with the philosophy that “you can never get enough books in the hands of enough children.” Research has shown that children who spend twenty minutes per day reading or listening to books are exposed to two million words per year. Success in reading leads to higher graduation rates and better citizenship. To send a book per month to a child through Imagination Library costs \$26. Right Steps sends out about 4,350 books per month. All dollars given to the program go to pay for books and postage. Lafayette Rotary has supported Imagination Library with proceeds of Ice Cream Crawls and District grants every year since 2019.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP:

BECKY ROBLED0 was the greeter, TIM LUZADER was the money taker, JOHN TROTT was the money counter, and DICK RAHDERT provided the moment of inspiration. JO WADE prepared the powerpoint slides and DENNIS FIGUEROA was our audio-visual operator.

HIGH FIVE:

Thanks to PATTY PLANTENGA for agreeing to chair both the High School Awards committee AND the Community College Scholarship committee for this year.



Both committees have started their work for determining worthy recipients from local high schools and Ivy Tech.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb 8 – Backpacking at Miami School 4 pm

Feb 8 – Pub Club at Nine Irish Brothers in West Lafayette 5:30 pm

Feb 10 – Volunteer for the Lafayette Symphony Orchestra program called “Symphony on the Go” at the Long Center.

Feb 14 – Marketing and Public Image committee meeting after Rotary. Contact JO WADE with your good ideas.

Feb 23 – **Pizza at Bruno's 5:30-7 pm**

Cost: \$20. Friends and Spouses welcome. Menu will include pizza buffet, Bruno dough, salad station, and soft drinks. Come and enjoy Rotary fellowship. Tickets available at the welcome table.



PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

BAHA	ZARJON	1
BARRETT	JOHN	2
BARRON	CATHY	3
BRICKLER	GAIL	37
COPPOC	GORDON	2
COPPOC	HARRIET	2
DAVIS	MARY KAY	31
FIGUEROA	DENNIS	25
FIGUEROA	RENEE	86
FRAMPTON	MIKE	2
FREISER	HELENE	3
GARROTT	FLOYD	3
GERDE	PRIS	23
GIBBS	RICHARD	1
HATFIELD	BILL	505
HEMAN	DAN	5
JOHANNSEN	CHRIS	3
KECK	CHRISTA	324
KELLEY	JACK	143
KLIM	IYA	18
KLIM	RUDY	18
KLUSMAN	JIM	143
LUHMAN	DAVE	1
LUZADER	TIM	2
MCDIVITT	WES	5
MEEKS	KATHY	5
MILLER	WILLIAM R.	606
MITHOEFER	STAN	7
NEIE	VAN	5
NIELSEN	KATIE	85
OLSON	ARVID	2
OVERMAN	RHONDA	66
PENNELL	STEVE	5
PRESTON	CHRISTY	36
RAHDERT	DICK	6
RAMSEY	GEORGE	2
RANDALL	LOREN	3
ROBLEDO	BECKY	14
RUTLEDGE	CHIP	1
SCHNEIDER	JOHN	3
SHOOK	DON	1
STOLZ	BOB	75
TROTT	JOHN	4
TURNER	JANE	41
VERPLANK	BOB	692
WADE	JO	86
WEST	TERRY	354
ZIEMER	PAUL	1

DID YOU KNOW...

...that we have several members who are no longer able to attend meetings, but still live in the area? The following are those who live at Westminster Village: JEAN JACKSON, RAY PEETERS, NERLENE RAMSEY, and GIL SATTERLY. DICK GRACE still lives at home. If you run into one of these members, please share Rotary greetings and let them know they are not forgotten.

PROPOSED NEW MEMBER:

Bob Anderson, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Lafayette, has been proposed for membership by KATIE NIELSEN. Welcome Bob the next time you see him!

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT:

The Monthly Service Project committee works to find a variety of volunteer opportunities spread out over the year. In the last seven months, we have done the following:

July – Women Buld; August – Ice Cream Crawl and Quibache Festival; September – Alzheimer’s Walk; October – Purdue Half Marathon water station, Socktober, It’s My Closet and SAWs ramp build; November – Letters from Home and Pet Toy Drive; December – Bell Ringing; as well as three different Blood Drives! For February – Symphony on the Go. Whew – we are a busy group out and about town! Thanks to committee chair, Loren Randall, for organizing all this activity. Other committee members are Gail Brickler, Sangita Handa, Van Neie, and Katie Nielsen.

FOUNDERS 1905 COFFEE NEWS:

New prices and new products!

These are the new products: Copper Moon decaf coffee in both ground and K-cups. We also have bags of whole beans.

Here is the new price list:

Founders 1905 regular ground coffee: \$10

Founders 1905 regular K-cups: \$20

Copper Moon decaf ground coffee: \$10

Copper Moon decaf K-cups: \$20

Copper Moon regular whole beans (2 pound bag): \$20

ONE PLATE ONLY:

Our club pays the full meal price for every plate that is taken. Please take only one plate when you go through the buffet line. Caution: sometimes the plates stick together.