

Connect and Serve

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MARY KAY DAVIS will be the greeter, TIM LUZADER will be the money taker, WES MCDIVITT will be the money counter, and STAN MITHOEFER will provide the moment of inspiration..

PROGRAM:

Abbey Gordon from Safe Families for Children spoke to us today. This organization is about twenty years old and is well established in the Indianapolis area. Abbey is the only local employee and she started at the beginning of this calendar year. There are locations in thirty-three states altogether. Safe Families



for Children works to help families who want to stay together and to avoid having the children put in foster care. Over 270,000 children enter foster care each year and less than half return to their families. When Safe Families for Children gets involved, the children almost always return to their homes. Volunteers provide help by temporarily hosting children; by providing services such as transportation and babysitting; by coaching the families to work towards specific goals; and by providing needed items or funds. Referrals come from local agencies, a crisis phone line, and the website. Social workers from schools and hospitals provide some of the referrals. Sometimes the families make contact directly. Funding comes from local grants and donations. The overarching goal is to create a world where children are safe.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP:

BECKY ROBLEDO served as greeter, VAN NEIE was the money taker, and PHIL KLINGER provided the moment of inspiration. JO WADE prepared the powerpoint program and DENNIS FIGUEROA helped with technical support.

HIGH FIVE:

...to ALEA FAVERO for selling Founders 1905 coffee each week at meetings. ALEA is new to the coffee committee, but is contributing in a big way.



PROGRAM SPEAKERS SCHEDULE:

August 27 – Purdue students – Dominican Republic Water Purification project

September 3 – Annual financial reports for the 2023-2024 Rotary year from Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation and our club; Amanda Kennedy – Flourish Studio

September 10 – Hannah Currie – Caregiver Companion

September 17 – Chris Allen – The Lincoln Special

DID YOU KNOW?

...that we were approved for the \$5,000 grant from District 6560 for the Wabash River Greenway Trail park? After we complete the grant requirements, we will receive the check.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 21 – Pub Club at Ritual in Lafayette at 5:30 PM. This is located across from Riehle Plaza.

August 23 – Lunch at Westminster Pub for any Rotarians – residents of Westminster and others as well. 11:45 AM. Each person pays on their own. Sign up at the welcome table.

August 27 – Membership committee meeting at 11:00 AM

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August 29 – Food Finders truck unloading at Miami School. 8:30 AM.



September 10 – Coffee committee meeting at 11:00 AM; Marketing and Imagination Library committee meetings at 1:00 PM

September 21 – Walk to End Alzheimer's. Join the Rotary team by clicking on this link: <http://act.alz.org/goto/LafayetteRotary>.

September 22 – **Game Night Shuffle**. We'll play euchre and other card games or board games at the home of BOB STOLZ, 3292 N 400 W in West Lafayette from 6-9 PM. Bring a snack to share. Sign up at the welcome table.

October 5 – SAWs ramp build. Location TBA.



BEHIND THE SCENES...

The Todd Scholarship committee, led by TIM LUZADER, has been working to find a new scholar. An Attica Rotary family donated money years ago to fund this scholarship, which goes to a Purdue graduate student from a foreign country. This year's student is Amare Haillessilase, who will come to a Rotary meeting in September.

LISTEN TO PAST ROTARY MEETINGS:

Each week an audio recording of the Rotary meeting is saved so that members can listen at any time. Click on the link below to listen to a recent meeting.

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THANKS TO THIS YEAR'S ICE CREAM CRAWL VENDORS:

All of these vendors donate their ice cream for free to our Ice Cream Crawl. We can't thank them enough! Budes Drive In, Culver's on Creasy, Freddy's, Igloo Frozen Custard on Tazer Drive, McCord Candies, The Original Frozen Custard, Silver Dipper, and Westside Scoops.

From a happy Ice Cream Crawler: "This was the best Saturday EVER!"





This family rides on their bicycles from shop to shop!



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