



Rotary Club of Lafayette, Indiana

R I P P L E S



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PROGRAM for FEBRUARY 7:

Steve Koehler, Executive Director
Civic Theatre of Lafayette
“Civic Theatre’s Place in the Community,
Celebrating 80 Years of Community Service”

MEETING FUNCTIONS for FEBRUARY 7:

Money Collectors:
CHRISTA KECK - 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.
GEORGE OR NERLENE RAMSEY - 11:30 to
12:00 NOON

Greeters:
CECIL BLIGNAUT - 11:00 - 11:30
TOM MORLAN 11:30 - 12:00 NOON

Invocation:
CHRIS BIANC

FEBRUARY PROGRAMS:

- 14 Kevin Johnston, Duke Energy,
“An overview of issues affecting electricity
consumers in Indiana”
- 21 Rod Ray, President Lafayette Citizen’s Band,
“170 Years and Still Going”
- 28 Michael Baldwin, Professor
“Weather Forecasting in ther 21st Century”

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- VALENTINE’S DAY is coming! Our club is selling
Toffee Hearts to make money for our local projects.
Order forms need to be turned in to JANE by next
Tuesday - at the very latest. If you have been taking
orders, please contact JANE this week with the
number you have sold so far. Five Dollars of every
\$15 box goes to Rotary projects.
- Satellite (Pub Club) meeting is at Adelino’s, Wednes-
day at 5:30. This will be a quarterly meeting to dis-
cuss “what’s next” in our pub club implementation.
Please come and share your ideas.
- Backpack packers and distributors are needed.
Please sign up to help.
- Mark your calendar:
February 18 - Rotary Leadership Academy. Sign up
now and there will be a car pool from Lafayette
March 23/24 - District Conference in French Lick
May 6/19 - Rotary International Convention in
Bangkok

- GORDON COPPOC announced that Ukranians
will be in Indiana from June 2 - 10 for the Open
World program. If you can help, please contact
GORDON.
- CHRISTA KECK announced that The Rotary
Foundation 2011-2012 Alumni Association of the
Year Award was given to the Rotary Foundation
Alumni Deutschland. The group’s 277 members or-
ganize outbound and inbound seminars for Founda-
tion program participants, celebrated Octoberfest
with alumni from around the world, and regularly
meet with Rotarians. Two of those 277 members
are Magdalena Gehring and Friedrich Ellebrecht,
students who visited our club regularly while Am-
bassadorial Scholars.
- The Public Relations Committee needs more mem-
bers. Please let TIM know if you can help.
- 50/50 Raffle: CHRIS JOHANNSEN asked MARI-
ELLEN NEUDECK to draw the ticket, which be-
longed to CHRIS JOHANNSEN. Unfortunately, all
aces eluded him, so he received a gift card from
University Book Store as consolation prize.

CONGRATULATIONS:

DAVE LUHMAN, president of the
Lafayette Rotary Club Founda-
tion, presented MIKE KING with
a Golden Service Plus certificate
recognizing his contributions to
the Foundation.



GUESTS:

Karissa Hichman, guest of TIM HULA; Beth Jones,
guest of FAYE COLE

THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELP WITH MEETING FUNCTION

Money Collectors: CHUCK HORNER and JERRY
MC CARTHY; Greeters: BOB WOERNER and
RICHARD BARTHOLOMEW; Invocation: BOB
VERPLANK; Flute and Piano: HARRIET COP-
POC; Song Leader: ARVID OLSON; 50/50 RAFFLE:
CHRIS BIANC and CHRIS JOHANNSEN. Help with
attendance and facilitating a smooth meeting: JO
WADE, TOM MORAN and JANE SMITH. Help with
Ripples: BILL FULLER.

PROGRAM:

PRESIDENT TIM introduced fellow Rotarian DAVE LUHMAN (*Right*), President of the Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation, who brought along his assistant, fellow Rotarian RICHARD BARTHOLOMEW (*Below Left*). Together they reviewed the history of the Foundation (organized in 1973) and its growth from \$130,673 in 1991 to about \$406,000 today.



Over the years more than \$800,000 has gone to community projects: Battle of Tippecanoe Ticket Office, Salvation Army Building, Museums at Prophetstown, Long Center Restoration, Habitat for Humanity Houses, Wabash Heritage Trail Overlook, CAPE Project Playground, youth Camperships and College Scholarships.

Using DAVE'S suitcase, they reviewed the many ways members can contribute to the Foundation. One of the easiest ways to donate to the Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation is through the use of life insurance; and you don't have to buy a new policy to do it.

Rotarian JERRY COLE (*Right*) has volunteered to help anyone wishing to use life insurance to support the Foundation. If you have questions, please contact JERRY or one of the Foundation directors.



With help from our own songwriter and musician, BOB GRIFFITHS (*below*), we sang "The Magic Beanstalk" to



illustrate how the new initiative to grow the Foundation endowment fund by \$100,000 in the next two years. Our Foundation has been accepted by the Community Foundation to participate in their matching grant. We will receive one Dollar for every four new Dollars contributed to the Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation. We have

a deadline of April 1, 2012 to come up with the first \$10,000. The remaining \$90,000 will be due by December 31, 2013. It is hoped that all members will help us reach the goal. It will make a huge difference in how much more the club will be able to do for the community in the future.

COMMITTEES FOR 2009-2010

Go to the following site and click on Committees to see those who work to make our Club great.

<http://www.lafayetterotary.org/html/committees-2.html>

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Since so many of our Lafayette Rotary Foundation funds support activities that help children, our thought for the week comes from Benjamin Spock, who offers his perspective on children:

"There are only two things a child will share willingly; communicable diseases and their mother's age."

