



# Rotary Club of Lafayette, Indiana

# R I P P L E S



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## PROGRAM for NOVEMBER 25:

John Norberg, "Thanksgiving"  
This is a joint meeting with Kiwanis

## MEETING FUNCTIONS:

Money Collectors:  
JIM HANKS - 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.  
CHUCK HORNER - 11:30 to 12:00 p.m.  
Greeter:  
JANE SMITH  
Invocation:  
DAVE LUHMAN

## DECEMBER PROGRAMS:

- 2 CHARLENE SULLIVAN, "The Stock Market"
- 9 VICTOR LECHTENBERG, Interim Vice President for Government Relations, "Indiana Innovation Alliance"
- 16 John Klinge, Head Coach Purdue Women's Varsity Swim Team, "Women's Varsity Swim Team"
- 23 JOHN BARRETT and the music team, "Holiday Music Program"
- 30 Family of Rotary  
All children and grandchildren invited.

## CALENDAR

December 6 Pack Christmas Food Boxes at the YWCA  
December 13 Ring the Bell for Salvation Army

## CLUB CONCERNS

PRESIDENT ROB asked us to keep the following in our thoughts and prayers: BOB BROCK, ROY WHISTLER.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Remember to make your contribution to the Every Rotarian Every Year \$100 campaign. Rotary International depends on us to keep its projects going.
- BETTY DOVERSBERGER said there are a few openings left to help with the Women's Shelter Christmas Food Boxes. They will be packed at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, December 6th.
- GENE HILLS needs volunteers next Wednesday to distribute Backpacks on the day before Thanksgiving. Contact GENE if you can help.

- SUZANN SHACKLETON informed us that there will be a Rotary booth at the International Festival, held at the Indiana State Fairgrounds from November 20 - 23. Volunteers are needed to staff the booth. Contact ROBERTA GRAHAM rrgjgg@prodigy.net
- BRYAN METZGER, chair of the Salvation Army committee, encouraged us to sign up to ring the bell on December 13th. There will be eleven sites, as in the past. Neighbors, friends, children, grandchildren and spouses are welcome to ring the bell with you.
- TOM MORAN donated 3 tickets to the NIT at Mackey Arena, which were auctioned by our resident auctioneer, JACK KELLEY. Thanks to CYNTHIA HARDING for her contribution to the Lafayette Rotary Club Foundation for \$40 for the tickets.
- Watch WLFI - TV18 for a news feature about the Backpack Project.

## CONGRATULATIONS

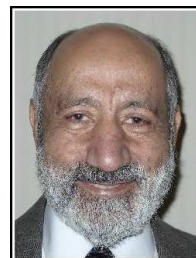


JIM TURLEY presented KIRK CLARK with his first Paul Harris Fellow. This presentation was a fond farewell, as KIRK has transferred to the Rotary Club in Columbus, IN.



JIM also presented ELSA JANLE with a new pin sporting one sapphire. A big thanks to both for their generous support of The Rotary Foundation.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER:



BILL HATFIELD introduced Zargon Baha, who lives with his wife Fatima at 1012 Hillcrest Road, West Lafayette, IN 47906. Phone 497-1155. He is a native of Afghanistan who became a professor at Purdue in 1982. He works at 401 North Grant Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

Phone 494-2470. E-mail: bahaz@purdue.edu

## VOCATIONAL FOCUS:

CHRISTA KECK was born in Germany and remembers the horrors of war. Her father was a prominent physicist who was brought to the U.S. after the war to work. After a year's separation (when she was eight years old) the family was reunited in America. Her education in modern languages led to a 40-year career in teaching German. She has received several awards over the years, including Best Teacher from students and Bundesverdienstkreuz, the Federal Cross of Merit, Germany's highest honor for civilians. CHRISTA'S life is enriched by the contacts she has made through her teaching, organizations and volunteer activities.



## PROGRAM:

ROB introduced PDG JIM GRAHAM, who reviewed the very interesting and sad story of Qudrat Wardak, who received the "Gift of Life" at Riley Children's Hospital and then died as a result of dehydration on the long flight home. As a famous broadcaster says, JIM then told us "the rest of the story". Qudrat's father, Hakim, was a refugee most of his life, fleeing Taliban intimidation. As a result of coming to the U.S. for his son's heart surgery, he could see ways his education could help his people. With funds from friends in Indiana, Hakim has started a clinic and a school where 50% of the students are female. He plans to drill a well to eliminate cholera in his village. JIM saw Hakim on his trip to Afghanistan when he helped with a National Immunization Day through Rotary. Hakim needs about \$60,000 to build a building for the school and drill the well. \$32,000 has been collected so far. Anyone wishing to help can make a check payable to "World Community Service Foundation" (501 3 C) and send it to Brownsburg Rotary Club, P.O. Box 457, Brownsburg, IN 46112. Please write: "For QUDRAT SCHOOL" in the memo line.



## GUESTS:

Terry Wichert, guest of JERRY MC CARTHY; Holly Clark, wife of KIRK CLARK; Fatima Baha, Taiba and Najib Wardag, guests of JIM GRAHAM

## VISITING ROTARIANS:

MICHAEL O'HARE, Kokomo; SUZANN SHACKLETON, Attica/Williamsport

## THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELP WITH MEETING FUNCTION

Money Collectors: JOE BONNER and CHUCK HORNER; Greeter: CECIL BLIGNAUT; Invocation: JIM HOBBS; Piano: BOB GRIFFITHS; Song Leader: DAVE LUHMAN; Help with attendance and facilitating a smooth meeting: TOM MORAN and JO WADE; Help with Ripples: BILL FULLER.

## JANE'S CORNER

A big THANK YOU to MARK DAVIS for a laptop computer. We appreciate the undying generosity of club members who give in a number of different ways.

## COMMITTEES FOR 2008-2009

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>

## PRESIDENT ROB'S THOUGHT

"To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

