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**Next week's meeting:**

**Zoom invite**

**Frankfort Rotary is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

**Topic: Frankfort Rotary Club Meeting**

**Time: Sep 30, 2020 11:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

[**https://zoom.us/j/99092748461?pwd=Uk5FZ0NGWE1lbng5NFBaN2RTejJpZz09**](https://zoom.us/j/99092748461?pwd=Uk5FZ0NGWE1lbng5NFBaN2RTejJpZz09)

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**Find your local number:**[**https://zoom.us/u/adSkkckMSC**](https://zoom.us/u/adSkkckMSC)

**Program Info**

Thanks to Rotarian Bill Miller for suggesting Ed Powe, who will be our speaker at our September 30 meeting.  Ed Powe, a native of Canton, Ohio, moved to Frankfort from Chicago in 1980 to take over as the general manager of Frankfort's Sears & Roebuck store.

In 1986, Ed became the first Black to serve as president of the Frankfort/Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.  He left Sears in the late 80s to partner with Kentucky State University on an initiative to mentor and promote women- and minority-owned businesses in applying for federal contracts.

Ed has been a member of Kiwanis for the last ten years and recently helped found a group known as Focus On Race Relations- Frankfort (F.O.R.R.) which is committed to raising awareness of race relations within the Frankfort/Franklin County community.  Ed is also a frequent op-ed contributor to the Frankfort State Journal.

**A Note About Our Sept. 30 meeting and Zoom meetings in general**

Ed Powe will be addressing our club via Zoom on September 30.  We continue to work on our virtual  and in-person meeting integration to improve the experience for all but especially for our members who are attending via Zoom.  There are always going to be technical challenges but my goal is to make the integration as seamless as possible and work toward enabling our members who are attending virtually to participate more fully in our meetings.  If any of our club members have experience doing this, perhaps at work or in other groups, please consider serving your fellow Rotarians by offering your technical expertise.  It will be much appreciated!

**Senior Activity Center Flash Food Drive**

President Donna is still collected for the Franklin County Senior Activity Center!  As the Center stocks up for winter, it's in need of non-perishable food items for our Frankfort and Franklin County seniors.  Here is a list of the most-requested items:  chunky soups such as chicken and sausage gumbo, chili mac, sirloin burger with country vegetables and chicken pot pie.

Also canned beef stew, canned meat, canned spaghetti and meatballs, beef ravioli.

Variety boxes of oatmeal, breakfast cereal, peanut butter, crackers, pancake mix, vegetable oil, mini cans of soft drinks.

Please remember that canned goods with easy open lids or pull tabs are best.  And smaller packages/bottles, boxes are easier to handle than large ones.  Laundry detergent, hand sanitizer, kleenex and toilet paper are also welcome.

Please bring your donations to the in-person meeting so we can collect them for drop off.  If you are attending the meeting virtually and would like to donate, just let us know and someone will pick up your contribution.

Donna will be making some pick-ups on Sunday afternoon to deliver to the Senior Activity Center on Monday morning.  Please email rotaryfrankfortky@gmail.com if you have a donation in need of picking up.

**Paper Newsletter Info…**

Please note those members still receiving a paper copy of the newsletter for the next few weeks the 9/16/20 and 9/23/20 newsletter will not be mailed out until 9/29/20. However the members receiving the emailed version will continue to get it at the regular time each week. Sorry for the delay.

**Rotary Attendance Start-up**

Since the Pandemic started our club has not been keeping any attendance due to having no meetings or having Zoom meetings. Our club has been able to have in-person meeting for September and continue the Zoom version. So starting on October 7th our club will start back recording attendance for members that login to the Zoom meeting, if we have an in-person meeting and or that don’t attend one of those. Members can still do make-ups on Rotary International but, will have to check with surrounding clubs to see if they are back doing in-person meeting to do a make-up.

**Note about Rotary Foundation giving-**

Did you know that you can set up an online sustaining contribution to the Rotary Foundation?  Because our club is recognized as a Star Club, meaning we contribute an average $100 per member, we're eligible for enhanced district grant matches to make good things happen in Frankfort.  But all is not equal!  Some of our members are extremely generous but we need more of you to make this commitment.  More information can be found at [**my.rotary.org**](http://my.rotary.org/)**.**

**Dues Reminder**

Just a reminder that if you haven’t already paid the 7/1/20 to 12/31/20 Rotary club dues please do so if possible. Thanks so much.