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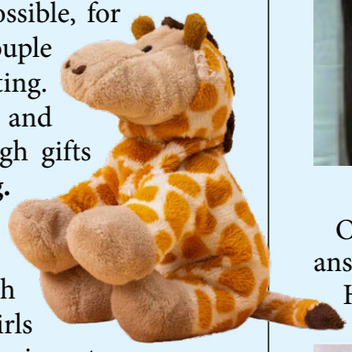
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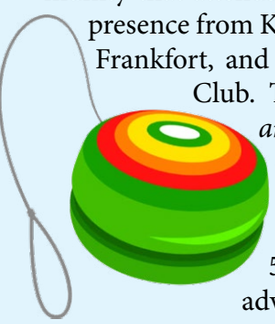
November 11, 2026

Next Week's Meeting...

The American Legion will be offering a traditional Thanksgiving Lunch for us at our Nov. 18 meeting. The cost will be $10 per plate. This meeting will be a time for fellowship between members so we will not have a weekly speaker.



Attention all members! If at all possible, for next week's meeting, please bring a couple of unwrapped kids toys to our meeting. We are trying to help the Kiwanis and Kentucky State University get enough gifts for their project, **Sharing is Caring.** The toys will be going to ALL community that attends the event. Large presence from Kings Center, South Frankfort, and the Boys and Girls Club. The toys will be given to *anyone* attending until they are gone – even if each child receives 3-4 toys. The gifts will be handed out by Kentucky State University on Dec. 5 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thanks in advance for helping out a worthy cause.



Upcoming weekly Speakers

Nov. 25 – The board approved the cancellation of this meeting. John Avent made the motion, second by Tish Shade. We hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving Day.

Opening Exercise and Greeter November 18, 2026

Opening exercise will be Steve Dooley
Greeter will be RB Brown

Monthly Board Meeting

There will be a monthly Board of Directors meeting following the Wednesday Nov. 18 weekly meeting. Any member wishing to attend is welcome.

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to fellow Rotarians Kelley Anderson, Angela Bullock, Nicole Fleming, Chris Helvey, Cathy Lindsey, Rachel Moore, Jennifer Robinson, Amelia Waters, and Chuck Willis, who celebrate their birthday in November.



Salute to Club Veterans

Our club is pleased to acknowledge three club veterans in attendance at today's meeting: RB Brown, John Heltzel, and Tim Pennington.



DG Sherrill Smith (right) acknowledges our own Tish Shade for her work as Assistant District Governor.

See next page for an opportunity to help our local food bank!

Cram the Cruiser Food Drive

Fellow Rotarians, John Heltzel is excited to let you know that we are once again participating in Rotary's Operation Full Plate as part of the community-wide Cram the Cruiser Food Drive on December 4, 5, and 6.

This is one of our community's most successful and rewarding service projects, bringing together volunteers, local businesses, law enforcement, and community organizations to help stock the Emergency Food Pantry and support families facing food insecurity. We are proud to partner with the Kentucky State Police, Franklin County Sheriff's Office, Frankfort Police Department, and our local Kroger stores in this effort.

There are many ways to make a difference. Volunteers are needed to help staff the doors at both Kroger locations, greet shoppers, collect donations, and assist with sorting and stocking food at the Pantry. Whether you can give an hour or a full day, your participation will have a direct impact on our neighbors in need.

John has the sign-up sheet and if you can work the event please email John at JWSH57@gmail.com and let him know you would like to help. Since this is a three-day event, feel free to volunteer for more than one shift if your schedule allows. It's a fun, meaningful experience, and you'll leave knowing you helped make a real difference.

For Operation Full Plate, Rotary clubs earn points through a variety of activities:

- 1 point for each food item donated
- 1 point for each dollar contributed
- 1 point for each public image activity
- 3 points for each Rotarian volunteer hour
- 5 points for each non-Rotarian volunteer engaged
- 5 bonus points for every new member added during the campaign

Beyond the points, this is an opportunity to demonstrate the very best of Rotary: service above self, fellowship, and a shared commitment to strengthening our community.



Please consider joining us, inviting a friend, sharing information on social media, or helping recruit additional volunteers. Every can donated, every hour served, and every person engaged helps fill shelves, provide meals, and bring hope to families who need it most.

Turn fellowship into full plates, one meal, one act of service, and one new connection at a time. Together, let's be part of the solution.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact John. Thank you for all you do for Rotary, the Pantry, and our community.



We were delighted to welcome Frankfort Rotary Club member and District Governor Sherrill Smith as our speaker today.