CLASSIFICATION: JEFF OTTO

Jeff Otto was born in St. Paul MN. He absolutely loves the Minnesota State Fair. Jeff has been married for 47 years! He and his wife have 3 children living in Mahtomedi, Las Vegas and Portland Oregon.

Jeff has owned his own business for 39 years. It started as a packaging business but evolved into a pallet recycling business. He has 35 employees. Jeff commented that for the first time in 39 years, he cannot find enough workers.

Jeff came to White Bear Lake Rotary back when we met at Bobbies. He left for a time, joining the St. Paul Rotary. He has re-joined us and serves as the Program Chair. Jeff is working on having more visible speakers and announced that the owner of Summit Brewing will be speaking to us in the near future.

THE ROTARY CLUB
OF WHITE BEAR LAKE
PROUDLY PRESENTS
5TH ANNUAL
TASTE OF WHITE BEAR LAKE
SEPTEMBER 10, 2016
2:00—5:00 P.M.
PINE TREE APPLE ORCHARD

FOOD LIVE MUSIC SILENT AUCTION FOOD FOOD
LOCAL WINERIES
AND BREWERIES

Enjoy a fall afternoon in the beautiful surroundings of the Pine Tree Apple Orchard, while sampling some of the finest food and spirits in the White Bear area. All while helping raise funds for Rotary programs in our community and around the globe

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream."

- C.S. Lewis

PROGRAM: Our speaker was Annie Miles the outbound youth exchange student from 2015-2016. The Miles family also hosted Catalina last year. Annie is a student at Mahtomedi High School. She funded more than half the cost of the program herself. Annie had a challenging year in Croatia but stuck it out. She left in August 2015 and returned in June 2016.

Croatia is in Eastern Europe and the city she lived in was Pula. Pula is noted for its amphitheater, golden arch buildings and a giant forum. In addition to her host parents, Annie had 3 host brothers.

Annie shared that the gender roles in Croatia are very different than America. Women do all domestic chores, men do not do any. She was expected to cook and clean. She could not leave the house or go outside with wet hair as it is believed this will cause illness. No bare feet. Slippers in the house at all times. The meals consisted of meat, potatoes and bread, with soup first. Annie's host family lived in a house, however many people in the city live in apartments.

Pula is a bi-lingual town with Italian and Croatian as the languages. Language pronunciation was difficult and Annie worked with a college student for help with the language. Annie's school was Gimnazija Pula. She took 19 classes are per week. Careers are determined during the middle school years and then students go to high schools based on that career. The schools do not have current technology. Chalkboards and overhead projectors are still used.

The Rotary Club in Pula consisted of 12 members, all men. Women are not allowed to join. There was one event all year and very little interaction with the exchange students. There were 12 exchange students in the country of Croatia. Her favorite part of the year included 4 trips. She and the other exchange students visited Austrian Parks, the city of Dubrovnik; and the cities of Osijek and Vinkovci.

ROTARY THEME FOR 2016-2017
ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY

Writer of the week: Rita Pechnann

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

August 17: Al Zdrazil, Domestic Violence

Chairperson: Bill Rust

Classification: Rita Pechmann

Greeters: Greg Bartz & Scott Mueller

Invocation: Bob Gehrke Writer: Mark Sather

August 24: Pastor Scott Cartwright,

Serving Seniors Chairperson: Peg B lack **Classification: Dan Potter**

Greeters: Joe Benson & Jim Muellner

Invocation: Bill Rust Writer: Marlyce Paulson

August 31: Lt Colonel Anthony Nardecchia

USAF ret; Career Fighter Pilot Chairperson: Pat McFarlane **Classification: Brady Ramsay**

Greeters: Jessica Bernier & Rosie Murphy

Invocation: Bryce Johnson Writer: Dick Galena

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Sept 7: Jeff Otto presents: Joanie Grundal, Capernaum program at WBL Young Life

September 14: Mark Burch presents: Jessica Berg,

Brenda Chandler & Charlie Groetsch,

Mincor Industries

September 21: Jeff Otto presents: Mike Korman,

Drones Save Lives

September 28: Gene Altstatt presents:

Ashley Filipp, YMCA

At least three weeks in advance of your scheduled date, please contact Jeff Otto, jeff.otto@opmpallet.com.

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE: Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, Eat @ Banning & 5th,

BOARD MEETINGS: Meets 4th Tuesday of

each month, WBL City Hall, 7 a.m.

PUBLIC IMAGE COMMITTEE: Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month after Rotary meeting

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Meets last Wednesday of each month, 12 noon, Location

VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE: Meets 1st Thursday of each month, Keys Restaurant,

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMIT-

TEE: Meets 2nd Thursday of each month,

Eat @ Banning & 5th, 7 a.m.

FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE: Meets immediately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal)

2016-2017 Officers/Directors

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. Ryan Boog

Club Service Chuck Sandstrom

. Craig McNulty

International Greg Bartz . Patty Hall

Youth Protection ... Gene Altstatt

Youth Exchange ... Had Solberg/Jill Schroeder

Bulletin Writers... Mark Sather Darrell Stone

Greg Young Rita Pechmann

Dick Galena **Bob Timmons**

Cathy Wyland

Invocations Rich Ramsay

Bíll Rust Bryce Johnson

Bob Gehrke Randy Johnson

Katie Strom

Steve LaLiberte



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TASTE OF WHITE BEAR is a

let **Bob Morse** know.

sponsors.

Governor

your food choice.

month out. We have 16 restaurants

prospects for food vendors please

and would like 2-4 more. Any

More sponsors are needed so

Pat McFarlane reported that 502

and another 49 sold online

White Bear Press has a nice article

Pontoon Party at Alstatts on August

18th. Let **Chuck Sandstrom** know

on Jim Hunt becoming the District

spread the word. Contact Darrell

Stone or **Steve LaLiberte** with

tickets for the TOWB have been

distributed for sale: 91 have sold

Rotary Club of White Bear Lake Chartered in December 1979

Meetings Wednesday at 7:00 A.M. Rudy's Redeye Grill

August 10, 2016

Greeters: John Wayne Barker &

Bob Morse

Invocation: Randy Johnson

Writer: Bob Timmons

Classification: Scott Neilson

Program: Jeff Otto presents:

Duke Pieper, Miraculous Recovery

Song Leader: Ken Baltzer

Sandwich Song

I walk into a res-tau-rant, and this is what I cry: I want a chicken sandwich, glass of milk, a piece of pie! Oh, you will surely hear me sing this

song until I die: I want a chicken sandwich.

glass of milk, a piece of pie! Hey!

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah! Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!

I want a chicken sandwich,

glass of milk, a piece of pie! Hey!

