### Classification: Randy Johnson

Randy's family includes his wife of 34 years, Susan; oldest daughter Sophia (works with Doctors on Demand), husband Tyler and granddaughter Penelope; middle daughter Tessa (interviewing for data scientist position); and youngest daughter Shauna (vocal performer and hotel sales manager) and husband Jay.

Randy has been on the Century College Foundation board for five years. The foundation has doubled in size from 118 to about 260 scholarship recipients totaling \$300,000. He shared several stories about students who have received scholarships through the foundation. Rem hopes to work for Doctors Beyond Borders. James is working on a math degree thanks to the foundation. Mitchell gave up his dream of going to college until he received a STRIVE scholarship and is now a senior studying global studies.

Randy finds joy working with the donors as well as the recipients. He loves connecting donors who want to make a difference and find value for their dollars with students who are pursuing their dreams.

## WHITE BEAR LAKE ROTARY PRESENTS 7TH ANNUAL TASTE OF WHITE BEAR LAKE SEPTEMBER 8th, 2018

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Thought for the week:
"There is a crack in everything.
That's how the light gets in."
- Leonard Cohen

ROB WEBER
PRESENTED
4TH PAUL HARRIS
AWARD
FOR CONTRIBUTIONS
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### **Program:** Had Solberg/Jill Schroeder present Birte Oen and Family, Youth Exchange from Norway, 2016-17.

**Former exchange student:** The first speaker was Berker Tas, who was an exchange student in 2001, studied electrical engineering at St. Thomas thanks to a scholarship, got married, has a son and has another on the way, became a citizen and now manages a research and development group for a small medical device company.

He thanked Rotary for its support and also for the connections that Rotary makes. It makes a wonderful difference in the lives of exchange students and their families.

He introduced his parents and his dad spoke a few words thanking Rotary for all they've done for his family.

**Birte and family:** Birte (2016-17 exchange student) introduced her family - two sisters, Mom and Dad, and host families. The Oen's also hosted a Rotary exchange student for a year, Ian, so they added a son to the family. Her dad Terje began the presentation by thanking Rotary and the host families.

He shared some pictures from where they live in Ferde City, the northwestern part of Vestlandet, Norway.

Tourism activities there include the glacier (although it is receding), glacier museum, surfing, railway or skylift (up the mountain), mountain climbing, Stave Church, many tunnels through the mountains including the longest tunnel in the world for traffic (took five years to build), Vikings, and more.

The county population is 107,000 with many mountains and fjords. Ferde was known as the ugliest town in Norway but they have made improvements and will hopefully lose that title.

The city has two high schools and a college, a yard industry (which has closed), added a central hospital in 1979 (where he works), airport, and more.

His Rotary Club has 30 members (was 50 at one time). They meet 7:30 PM Mondays and the program is set. Hiking is the first meeting in August. Projects include Shelter Box, talent contacts for international folk music festival.

He shared photos for each family member. Birte graduated in June (had to finish one more year of school when she returned). She works at a pharmacy and will go into the Navy in January. The middle sister, Vivel, had her confirmation in May, plays in a school band and plays piano, traveled to Poland with the band, plays volleyball, is interested in art, and likes to kayak with her Mom.

Tilder (age 12) and very shy and Birte talked for her. She loves hiking with her best friend. Birte's Mom, Jorunn, enjoys art, kayaking, and taking care of the family. She was educated as a nurse and prior to that was in the navy.

Terje has been in Rotary since 2006. He is head of the EMS system. The helping hand is a symbol for the hospital. He has been working between the hospital, doctors and clinics to coordinate efforts between services and he's also working on technology collaboration.

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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**August 15: District Governor Michael Becker** 

**Chairperson: Connie Bossard** 

Classification: New member inductions and Perfect

Attendance Recognition for 2017-2018 Greeters: Craig Drake & Jin Shimada

**Invocation: Bill Rust Writer: Bob Timmons** 

**August 22: Bear Power/Power Up 4 Kids** 

Chairperson: Jackie Reis Classification: Steve LaLiberte

**Greeters: Chuck Edson & Brenda Skeate** 

**Invocation: Rich Ramsay** Writer: Mark Sather

August 29: Jeff Hafner, Emerald Ash Borer

Chairperson: Ellen Richter Classification: Mike Lovett

Greeters: Bill Eaves & Derrek Skeie

Invocation: Randy Johnson Writer: Dick Galena

**FUTURE MEETINGS:** 

September 5: Bill Rust, TBA

September 12: Ryan Boog, Henry Bromelkamp,

**Rotary Club of Eshowe** 

September 19: Fred Treiber, Carol Nelson, Maternal/child health project in Sierra Leone

At least three weeks in advance of your scheduled

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#### WBL ROTARY TEAM MEETINGS

**BOARD MEETINGS:** Meets 4th Tuesday of each month, WBL City Hall, 7 a.m. **CLUB SERVICE TEAM:** Meets 2nd Tuesday

of each month, Eat @ Banning & 5th,

**COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM:** Meets last Monday of each month, 7:15 a.m. Eat @ Bannng & 5th

FUNDRAISER TEAM: Meets immediately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal) INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM:

Meets 2nd Thursday of each month, Eat @ Banning & 5th, 7 a.m.

PUBLIC IMAGE TEAM: Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. location TBD VOCATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 1st Thursday of each month, Keys Restaurant, 7 a.m.

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### Rotary Club of White Bear Lake Chartered in December 1979

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

# Bear Bulletin

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Clipboard sign up or contact Bob Timmons to be part of a **Club Service** opportunity **selling beer and water** at LeGrand Fest Saturday, August 18 at Polar Lake Park. Former Rotaract member Mitchell LeGrand is the organizer behind the event. Proceeds will go to **STRIVE**.

Today is the final date for collecting **bike helmets** for MN ReCyclery. Thank you to members for helping with this project.

The **Pontoon Social** is Thursday, August 23. Cost is \$10 for dinner. Ken is supplying beverages. Clipboard sign up underway.

Sign up to give **blood** on Tuesday, August 21 at White Bear Armory.

Take table tents for Taste of WBL to the restaurants that have agreed to be at Taste of White Bear. Also need vender agreements returned.

### **August 8, 2018**

Greeters: Chelsea Holmes & Jill Schroeder

Classification: Jim Hunt

Invocation: Steve LaLiberte

Writer: Rita Pechmann

Program: Marty Rathmanner presents:
John Schwietz, BonafideU

Song: Ken Baltzer

### **Deep In The Heart Of Texas**

The stars at night are big and bright... (4 claps)Deep in the heart of Texas. The prairie sky is wide and high... The sage in bloom is like perfume... Reminds me of the one I love... Coyotes wail along the trail... The rabbits rush around the brush... The cowboys cry "Ki-yip-pee-yi"... The doggies bawl and bawl and bawl...

