



*Celebrating 42 Years of Service
To the Community
Rotary Club of White Bear Lake*

*Meetings
Wednesday at 7:30 a.m.
Hybrid Meetings at Rudy's
Redeye Grill and via Zoom*



April 6, 2022

PROGRAM: Carolyn Klaver—Recognizing, Understanding the Early Signs of Memory Loss and Dementia and How to Respond in a Healthy Way

CHAIR: Derrek Skeie

CLASSIFICATION: Rita Pechmann

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Art Hancock

WRITER: Jackie Reis

Hybrid meetings are held on Wednesday a.m. at Rudy's and via zoom.

White Bear Lake Club Meeting
Social Time starts at 7:15 a.m.; Actual meeting starts at 7:30 a.m. and finish by 8:30 a.m.
To join the Zoom meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87159321038>
Meeting ID: 871 5932 1038

WBL Rotary Club Celebrates 4:01— at Rudy's.
Join us for end-of-week social time with Rotarian friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Irina Fursman introduced Sergii Zavadskyi, PDG D2232 Ukraine, now residing in western Ukraine, and joining us via Zoom and announced that the Ukrainian Rotary Clubs are distributing the aid which they have received from our Club and other Rotary Clubs in the United States.

Ken Galloway presented the White Bear Food Shelf with a check in the amount of \$31,300.00, which is the net profit of the Bear'ly Open event. This check will allow the food shelf to purchase \$250,000.00 worth of food. The WBL Rotary will receive \$2,000 from this effort.

Bob Timmons announced the Club will be holding a Strategic Vision Session on April 18 and 21. Each club member should fill out the electronic survey which can be found on the e-bulletin.

Jeanne Hartle announced a Braver Angels workshop for May 3, 2022, 6:30-8:30. Contact Jeanne for more information.

Carrie Carlson announced that the Children's Performing Arts will be performing *Annie, Jr.* at the Forest Lake High School from April 1 – April 10, 2022.

The meeting held **Marlyce Paulson Day** and she received many accolades for all she does for our Club.

CLASSIFICATION: DAN POTTER

Dan Potter grew up on a farm in Trimount, Minnesota where the family farmed 1,100 acres of corn and soybeans and raised 600 beef cattle. He was one of five children. After high school, Dan attended the University of Minnesota where he received a mechanical engineering degree. He was in the same co-ed engineering fraternity, Theta Tau as fellow Rotarians Pat McClernon and Craig Drake. For the last 25+ years he has worked in the bio-medical device industry, including 16 years at St. Jude Medical, 3 years at Integer, 2 years at Intricon, and a few years operating his own medical device consulting business. At St. Jude Medical he helped develop the electrophysiology catheter and a pulse field ablation system; at Integer he helped develop a heart valve delivery system; at Intricon he was instrumental in developing the electromagnetic sensor for biopsies. Dan also holds a realtor's license. He and his wonderful wife, Melissa, have been married for 27 years, live in Grant, and have get-a-way lake homes on Big Marine Lake. In his spare time, he and Melissa enjoy traveling, riding horses, boating, and relaxing in Naples and Key West. Dan, thank you for this excellent presentation and improving all of our lives thru your many contributions to the medical device industry.

**COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY
HELP TO RESCUE FOOD**

The White Bear Food Shelf needs regular and substitute drivers for the Food Rescue program. This would be in the A.M. and helping to rescue food from local restaurants for re-distribution at the Food Shelf. For more information,
Contact: deb@whitebearfoodshelf.org

NEWS FROM WBL ROTARIANS:

-Adam Haglin, Century College
“Futures in Bloom” Virtual Fundraiser, Celebrating Century Healthcare Heroes April 21, 7:45-8:45. Free. Register online or e-mail for more info:
Adam.haglin@century.edu

-John Wayne Barker, Merrick Inc.
Merrick's Bowl-A-Thon is back. Fun morning of donuts, door prizes, bowling, raffles, and pizza. Sunday, May 15, 2022 9-11:30 a.m. at Flaherty's Arden Bowl.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...
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April 6.....Jim Hunt
April 9.....Greg Young
April 12.....Had Solberg
April 17.....Rob Weber
April 17.....Adam Haglin
April 21.....Bob Morse
April 22....Mike Miner
April 25....Connie Bossard

**WHITE BEAR LAKE ROTARY
ALWAYS DOING
GOOD THINGS**

26 Volunteers at STRIVE Race
22 Volunteers at TASTE of WBL Planning
2022

PROGRAM FROM MEETING OF 3/30/22: Yazdan Bahksh

Yazdan (Joe) was raised in the Hazara Region of Afghanistan. At the age of 15, he escaped Afghanistan, traveled to Iran, and then spent 3 ½ years in Lebanon working at an antique store in Baalbek. While in Lebanon in 1974, he was befriended by Dr. Charles Simkins and his family. Dr. Simkins was a United Nations Project Manager who lived in Minnesota. Dr. Simkins’ job was to help reduce and eradicate hashish fields in the Bekaa Valley of Lebanon. The Simkins family quickly became Yazan’s adoptive family. Dr. Simkins helped Yazdan get a US student visa. Once in Minnesota he attended Grace-Totino High School. Ten years later, Yazdan received his U.S. citizenship. He currently lives in North Oaks and is active in trying to get people out of Afghanistan and helping Hazara women and children. His 2012 book *You’ll Be My Son Joe* is his memoir and documentary concerning his escape from Afghanistan and his many adventures in the Middle East countries, including the civil war in Lebanon, his good fortune meeting the Simkins family, and becoming a U.S. citizen. Yazdan, thank you for sharing your remarkable story and your wonderful book.

Writer of the week: Dick Galena



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

SLAVA UKRAINI!

(means “Glory to Ukraine” - a patriotic expression like “viva la France” or “long live the Queen”)

ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST:

- ⇒ Is it the truth?
- ⇒ Is it fair to all concerned?
- ⇒ Will it build good will and better friendships?
- ⇒ Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
- ⇒ IS IT FUN???

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

April 13:
PROGRAM: Operation Pollination, Chris Stein
CHAIR: Leo Schuch
CLASSIFICATION:
INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Bill Rust
MERCHANT MINUTE: Cindy Kirn, Sass Unique
WRITER: Bob Timmons

April 20:
PROGRAM: Fast for Hope, Rick Heidick
CHAIR: Pam Tschida
CLASSIFICATION: Jackie Reis
INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Rich Ramsay
WRITER: Jim Rathburn

April 27:
PROGRAM: Taste Team Leads; Preparing for Taste of White Bear Lake 2022
CHAIR: Ashley Filipovich
CLASSIFICATON: Outgoing Youth Exchange Student Presentation
INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Carol Nelson
WRITER: Carol Nelson

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WBL ROTARY PODCASTS:
WWW.WBLROTARY.PODBEAN.COM
OR GO TO: ITUNES AND TYPE IN WBLROTARY

WBL ROTARY TEAM MEETINGS—
BOARD MEETINGS: Meets 4th Tuesday of month, 7a.m.
CLUB SERVICE TEAM: Meets 2nd Tuesday of month, 7a.m.
COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM: Meets last Wednesday of month, 12 o'clock noon
EQUITY & INCLUSION TEAM: Meets first Friday, 8:30 a.m.
FUNDRAISER TEAM: Meets immediately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal)
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday of month, 7 a.m.
MEMBERSHIP TEAM: Meets 3rd Tuesday of month, 7:30 a.m.
PUBLIC IMAGE TEAM: Meets 3rd Thursday, 8:30 a.m.
VOCATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 1st Thursday of month, 7 am

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