

Celebrating 40 Years of Service To the Community Rotary Club of White Bear Lake

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



November 24, 2021

PROGRAM: Brian Robinson, The State of American Engineering

CHAIR: Gene Altstatt

CLASSIFICATION: Bob Morse

MERCHANT MINUTE: Shari Wilson

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION:
Rita Pechmann

WRITER: Bob Timmons

Wednesday Morning Meetings are Hybrid—in person at Rudy's Redeye Grill or via Zoom. Topic: 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 5:01– NOW CALLED 4:01– at Rudy's. Join us for end-of-week social time with Rotarian friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pam Bowers declared the 2021 Jingle
Bear Auction a success and thanked
club members who helped to conduct
the auction, solicited auction items,
arranged promotion and distribution
of items to successful bidders. She
also thanked all who donated auction
items. Final tabulations are underway
and the net proceeds will be announced soon. Thanks to you too
Pam for a job well done.

Chuck Sandstrom led the induction of our newest member, Greg Stonehouse. Greg was sponsored by Greg Bartz and he has resided in White Bear Lake for 30 years. He is an engineer with the firm HDR and works in the field of water and wastewater. If you have not yet met Greg be sure to introduce yourself.

Mark Sather again reminded members for the 2021 Friends of Scouting fundraising event on December 9th at 7:15 a.m. at Historic Fort Snelling. A car pool of members is being organized. We hope to get 8 members to fill a table. Watch for a clip board



MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jeanne Hartle announced that Braver Angels of Minnesota will conduct a workshop on the topic of depolarizing conversations on sensitive topics on race and learning skills in listening to all perspectives to improving understanding and civility. The event will be held Saturday December 4th at the Hanifil Performing Arts Center from 9:00 to Noon. See your email from **Jackie Reis** for link to registration.

With the dipping temperatures **Ken Galloway** reminded us it is not too early to begin plans and preparations for the 2022 Bear'ly Open. The search is on for hole sponsors, helpers and golfers. Ken says this is the year when to total value of food made available through the WBL Emergency Food Shelf through the proceeds of Bear'ly Opens will surpass \$2Million. See BearlyOpen.org for more details.

On behalf of our club **Jim Rathburn** presented a our donation of \$500 to the White Bear Lake Education Foundation for it's Angel Fund. WBLEF Executive Director Laurie Arnold and Board member Mary Dahle were on hand to accept the donation and reminded members that you can honor someone during the holiday season by making a personal donation to the Holiday Angel Fund. A special card will be sent to your honoree.

Sign up now for the Community Service project of the annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing on December 4th at Cub Foods on Buerkle Road. Contact **Darrell Stone** President Elect and Presiding Officer **Bob Timmons** introduced visitor Carrie Carlson of Children's Performing Arts. Carrie announced the many performances and activities scheduled for the Holiday Season during the coming weeks including the performance of the musical Elf jr. and an opportunity to participate in the Toys For Tots program.

PROGRAM: Jeanne Hartle introduced visiting Prior Lake Rotarian Rick Olsen to present the Minnesota Braver Angels program. Jim has had a career as an attorney (JD Stanford Law), economist, financial advisor and Michigan State Representative. In his spare time he has traveled to all of the united states and 41 countries. Rick explained the Braver Angels program, established in 2016, is a national citizens movement to bring liberals and conservatives together at the grass roots level not to reach a centrist compromise but to find one another as citizens. Through workshops, debates and civil engagement, Braver Angels is intended to help Americans understand each other beyond stereotypes, form community alliances and reduce the vitriol that leads to a caustic culture. Braver Angels MN is a member of the national organization.

Braver Angels MN conducts training locally through workshops and respectful conversations to help participants understand political and cultural differences and search for common ground while respecting the importance of maintaining relationships with those with opposing beliefs. On December 4th it will conduct a workshop at the Hanifil Performing Arts Center in WBL to help participants learn the discipline of non-polarizing attitudes and words about the political "Other" within our communities and social circles, to better understand the polarization inside us and between us and to practice skills for being critical without being demonizing, dismissing and stereotyping. A special email has been sent to all club members with registration information for those interested in attending. Friends and family members are welcome. More information is also at Braverangels.org/MN

Thanks for the informative program Jeanne and Rick.

Your reporter further sayeth naught.

Writer of the week: Mark Sather

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

""People tend to forget their duties but remember their rights."

-Indira Gandhi

ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST:

- \Rightarrow 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:

December 1: Jane Graupman,

Empowering Immigrants and Refugees

Chair: Tara Jebens Singh **Classification: Scott Mueller**

Invocation/Inspiration: Carol Nelson

Writer: Carol Nelson

December 8: Ellen Schreder & Gymps Sunel Mango Haiti Farm

Chair: TBD

Classification: Jim Muellner

Invocation/Inspiration: Bob Gehrke

Writer: Darrell Stone

December 15: TBD

Chair: TBD

Classification: Kelley Skumautz **Invocation/Inspiration:** Bill Eaves

Writer: Jackie Reis

REMINDER: There will be NO ROTARY MEETINGS on December 22 & 29

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5 P.M.

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WBLROTARY 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

EQUITY & INCLUSION TEAM: Meets first Friday, 8:30 a.m..

FUNDRAISER TEAM: Meets immediately following Wednesday meet-INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday of

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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