

## Celebrating 43 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



#### **AUGUST 24, 2022**

PROGRAM: Mike Wilhelmi.

**Xcel Energy Corporate Carbon Goals** 

**CHAIR:** Nora Slawik

**CLASSIFICATION: Rob Weber** 

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION:

**Steve LaLiberte** 

WRITER: Mark Sather

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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:
<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87159321038">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87159321038</a>
Meeting ID: 871 5932 1038

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS #IMAGINE ROTARY

Welcome to Ruth Watkins, AG for D5960. Ruth is a member of the Woodbury club and her Rotary interest was influenced by her Father, who attended 37 International meetings.

Ruth helped with a drawing for two tickets to the Taste of White Bear Lake, from Manitou Days . The winners were Jim Lucky Mueller and Josie Wolf.

**Rob Weber** solicited bottles of wine for the Taste of White Bear Lake/Cork Pull. Please donate a "nice" bottle of wine; or give him \$20 for a bottle; or stop at Mahtomedi Liquor barrel and purchase from Eric Hendrickson.

The Ukranian students have arrived for five weeks of refuge and leadership learning. There will be many opportunities for us to interact with the young people, including at our August 31<sup>st</sup> Club meeting.

Your club needs YOU!!! We are in need of a couple people to be Bulletin writers. No experience necessary. The writer takes notes from the weekly meetings (usu. scheduled every 6 weeks), send to Marlyce for final editing for the weekly Bulletin. You can get an additional attendance credit



### SEPTEMBER 10 AT PINE TREE APPLE ORCHARD

Taste of White Bear Lake is our annual fundraiser and the success is vital to support the programs of the club!

#### **CLASSIFICATION: Fred Treiber**

Fred is a retired electrical engineer and held a variety of positions in reputable companies, Honeywell, DuPont, 3M. He grew up in New York and met his wife, Stella in South Dakota. They have been married 50 years; and have a shared interest in Rotary. Fred has fond memories of youth exchange programs, including an invitation to a wedding in Thailand from a former student. He has been a notable representative of White Bear Lake Rotary and District 5960, especially in international projects in Costa Rica Don Bosco and other locations. Thanks to Fred for many years of "service above self"

#### PROGRAM FROM MEETING OF 8/17/22:

Mike Greenbaum, Executive Director, Newtrax, transportation services for seniors and disabled persons / Tracy Shimek, Housing & Economic Development Coordinator at City of White Bear Lake

They gave a presentation on the autonomus car pilot in WBL. Innovative technology that will move Minnesota forward in its goal of providing safe, accessible transportation options in the state has come to the city of White Bear Lake A low-speed, driverless, electric, multi-passenger shuttle called Bear Tracks is available for free, public rides in portions of the city. While the shuttle is self-driving, there will always be an attendant on-board to verify safe operation of the vehicle and aid passengers as needed. Bear Tracks is the second of three planned connected and automated vehicle demonstration projects coordinated by MnDOT, and the first in the Twin Cities metro area. - continued on next page—



#### YOU ARE INVITED...

All WBL Rotarians are invited and encouraged to attend the monthly Team meetings. The meeting schedule is on the next page of this Bulletin. This is a great way to get and stay involved!

#### PROGRAM FROM MEETING OF 8/17/22: WBL Autonomous Vehicle

The pilot project is a collaboration of multiple partners including MnDOT's Office of Connected and Automated Vehicles, the city of White Bear Lake, AECOM, Newtrax, Navya, University of Minnesota, Ramsey County, White Bear Lake Area Schools, White Bear Area YMCA, White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce and Minnesota State Transportation Center of Excellence.

The Bear Tracks shuttle will help students in our community envision the jobs of the future, provide an opportunity to expand mobility for residents on the designated route who may otherwise have limited transportation options, and puts White Bear Lake residents at the forefront of helping inform how this technology is integrated into Minnesota's transportation system.

Newtrax has guided transportation in White Bear Lake for 10 years as a nonprofit, and assists in the logistics of this project. There are proud to be a part of the team on this innovative project, and always look for new ways to meet transportation needs of people with disabilities and seniors. They see this as a unique opportunity to be involved in helping develop groundbreaking technology.

During the project, MnDOT and its partners hope to:

- Gather data and user-experience information to inform future use of this technology
- Engage and educate the public by providing real world automated vehicle experience
- Identify infrastructure gaps and solutions to safely operate automated vehicles on public roadways
- Provide transportation options for the public, including young adults and elderly who may not currently drive
- Advance the operation of automated vehicle technology in year-round weather conditions
- Provide an enhanced transportation experience and increase mobility in a high demand downtown urban environment

The Bear Tracks shuttle is planned to be available for rides through August of 2023. -To learn more about this project, operating hours, and how to ride the shuttle, visit www.beartrackswbl.org. #beartrackswbl

## Writer of the week. Jim Rathburn

## Thought of the week:

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."

- Mahatma Ghandi

#### **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?
- $\Rightarrow$  IS IT FUN???

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

August 31:

PROGRAM: YouLead Ukranian Students

CHAIR: Irina Fursman/Tim Wald CLASSIFICATION: Shari Wilson

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Bob Gehrke

WRITER: Dick Galena

September 7:

PROGRAM: Malaria Partners Grant.

Jenny Andrews

CHAIR: Patty Hall

CLASSIFICATION: Rob Wood

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Rita Pechmann

WRITER: Darrell Stone

September 14:

PROGRAM: We See Each Other

CHAIR: Jackie Reis

CLASSIFICATION: Curt Akenson

INVOCATION: Carol Nelson WRITER: Carol Nelson

September 21: TBA

September 28: Gene Altstatt presents:

Mindy Greiling, Mental Health

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#### 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

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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