



*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*



December 15, 2021

**Music by members of the White Bear Lake
South Campus High School Choirs**

**PROGRAM: Giving Hope in
Difficult Times**

**CHAIR: WBL Rotarians and Pastors
Bill Eaves, Art Hancock, Bob Gehrke**

CLASSIFICATION: Mike Miner, PAI

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Bill Eaves

**ELECTIONS OF NEW OFFICERS
FOR 2022-2023**

WRITER: Carol Nelson

**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

Guests:

Our regular guest, **Desmond Creary** summarized the Kingston, Jamaica Rotary Club's Christmas season project which entails helping to provide 800-900 meals for the elderly.

Jeff Carson, guest of Patty Hall, is a Rotarian from D5950 and here to see our program on the Mango Community Family Farm.

Thanks to all the Salvation Army bell ringers...especially **Paul Keleher** for bringing holiday wishes and Rotarian "fun" to shoppers.

Ken Galloway reported that all major sponsors for the 2022 Bear'ly Open are locked in! Polar Bear sponsors and auction sponsors are still being sought. He hopes that there will be interest this year in having a Rotary tent at the event.

Jackie Reis reported that the Minnow Tank coaches at Willow Elementary are having fun! We are looking for judges on December 20 from 12-2 to hear and rate the student presentations on their selected charities.

CLASSIFICATION: Jim Muellner

Of Jim's many businesses, Smart Carte was largest, but he was involved in 13 businesses in total, the 13th is MN Recyclery. This is a business that takes donated bikes and makes them run again. He is known as the bike minister at St. Mary's of the Lake. MN Recyclery is in its 12th year and has 12 employees. They give out 700 bikes per year. Jim shares some advice about bike storage. Don't let your bike hang in a hot garage. The heat wrecks the rubber components and dries up the oil. Our own resident entrepreneur, Jim Muellner, thanks for all you do for the community and for our club!

MERCHANT MINUTE: Lynn Dahle, Auto Glass Express

Lynn purchased the business from Reed Vanderzee. Business is located on 4th St. across from Grandmas Bakery. They'll put glass in anything that moves down the road. Member of the MN Glass Association Board, WB Chamber of Commerce. COVID has affected business and supply chain issues like everywhere else. Business has been good as of late though. Haven't had many issues finding employees.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need help with cutting paper for the senior candy project! Once again, we have 400 boxes of chocolates that we will wrap on Wednesday, December 15, immediately following the weekly meeting. **Pam Bowers** has the paper and will deliver it to you. Each roll will cover 24 boxes. If you can cut for 50 or 100 boxes, please let Pam know asap. Then, bring your cut paper to the meeting or Pam will pick it up. Finally...after today's meeting...December 15...plan to wrap the boxes poolside at WB Country Inn.



PROGRAM: Patty Hall presents: Ellen Schreder and Gymps (sounds like James) Sunel, Mango Community Family Farm

Ellen Schrader is a partner with a law firm in Mpls. In Haiti women and girls do not have access to menstrual supplies. Because of this lack of supplies, girls many times drop out of school, so these supplies are much needed. They have been providing supplies for 5,000 kits for girls and women in Haiti and have recently received an order for 25,000 kits. Mittens and tote bags are also being sewn here and in Haiti.

Gymps was born in Haiti, founder of the Mango Comm. Family Farm. He speaks French, Spanish, English and Creole.

They bought land for produce farming and raising animals for sale and food production in Haiti. Ellen was in Haiti recently and the farm is located in a relatively safe part of the country. In addition to fencing they purchased cactus hedge and planted it to help define and defend the boundaries of the farm and keep the animals contained. She is also a Rotarian and received a Rotary Global Grant that provided funds to build three wells 80 to 100 feet down. Chickens and bees are part of the production on the 21 acre farm.

At the beginning in 2018, they received a multitude of vegetable seeds donated from Bomgaars, a farm and fleet store in Sioux City, Iowa. Plantings of these seeds all over Haiti has been very successful.

Mango Farm has also enjoyed collaborating with Helping Haiti Work, a Minnesota non-profit, with Days for Girls campaign. Days for Girls is based in Washington state and provides menstrual education and reusable menstrual supplies for girls and women around the world. The Sewing Center employs several local Haitian seamstresses to make these kits. MN business partners are helping to supply storage containers for the sewing supplies.

With the launch of Mango Community Family Farm, they continue the partnership with Helping Haiti Work. Members of our local farm community in Lagosette will benefit from the use of the land, seeds, irrigation, and equipment to work their own plots at Mango Community Family Farm. These farmers will be able to feed their families and sell the excess produce that they grow at the market to raise money to educate their children.

Writer of the week: Darrell Stone

www.mangofarmhaiti.org
mangofarmhaiti@gmail.com
612-430-6987 612-209-0860

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“Hope is like a road in the country. There never was a road, but when many people walk it, the road comes into existence.”

-Lin Yutang, Chinese linguist

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:

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

MEETINGS SCHEDULED IN 2022:

January 5: Club Assembly:
Reflections & Looking Forward
Chairperson: Mike Lovett & Bob Timmons
Classification: None
Invocation/Inspiration: Steve LaLiberte
Writer: Dick Galena

January 12: Jackie Reis presents Leigh Anderson, Minnow Tank Project

January 26: Ken Baltzer presents: Gretchen Harriman

**MAIL OR PHONE CLUB NEWS TO THE
WBL ROTARY OFFICE:
MARLYCE PAULSON
P. O. Box 10809 WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN
55110**

**OFFICE: 651.738.3022
E-MAIL: WBLROTARY1@COMCAST.NET
WEB SITE: WHITEBEARROTARY.ORG
BEAR BULLETIN DEADLINE: FRIDAY,
5 P.M.**

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

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 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

2021-22 Officers/Directors

President..... Michael Lovett
President-Elect ... Bob Timmons
Past President Pat McClernon
Treasurer Ashley Filipovich
Secretary Kevin Donovan
Exec. Secretary ... Marlyce Paulson
Public Image Kevin Donovan
Bob Timmons
Rotary Foundation. .Curt Akenson
Community Service. .Darrell Stone
- John Channon
Vocational Service .Derrek Skeie
.Ryan Boog
Club Service Pam Tschida
.Craig McNulty
MembershipGreg Bartz
. Miriah VanDuuren
International Patty Hall
. Fred Treiber
Equity & Inclusion....Jackie Reis
.Kevin Donovan
Youth Exchange .. Tim Wald
Bulletin Writers ... Mark Sather
Darrell Stone
Greg Young
Dick Galena
Bob Timmons
Jim Rathburn
Jackie Reis
Carol Nelson
Invocations Rich Ramsay
Bill Rust
Bob Gehrke
Steve LaLiberte
Rita Pechmann
Bill Eaves
Art Hancock
Carol Nelson