

CLASSIFICATION: Gene Altstatt is a financial advisor and he loves what he does. He spends two days a week in his White Bear Lake office located on the property of his lakeside home and two days a week in his office in the western suburbs. He has 150 clients and manages about \$100 million of their money. Gene’s interests include sailing, bees/honey, entertaining, family, and lake life. He has a cabin in the Walker lakes area, a condo in Naples, FL and likes sailing the Virgin Islands. He appreciates all the connections he’s made in his 30-plus years as a Golden Valley, Excelsior, and White Bear Rotarian. Thanks for your service, Gene!

CLOTHES FOR KIDS—OCTOBER 2019 DRIVE
WBL ROTARY DRIVE FOR WBL SCHOOLS CLOSET
Gently used and clean warm clothes—prefer trends within the last three years

PRIORITY NEEDS:
Athleisure wear for girls 9 and up
Boys clothing and coats of all kinds

Boys tops from age 2 months to 5T
Girls clothing from age 2 months to 5T
Winter boots

DO NOT NEED:
Men and women wear
Bears logo items

If you have no items in your closet:
Buy new from Target
Buy and donate Target gift cards in increments of \$25, enabling Closet staff to react to unforeseen shortages

**BRING TO ROTARY MEETING
OR JIM RATHBURN (612-383-8232)**

Academic Achiever Ads
It’s that time of year for Rotarians to sponsor an Academic Achiever ad in the White Bear Press. This ad recognizes a student from local schools for outstanding achievement. It includes your name/your company name as a sponsor. The cost per ad is \$109/ad.
Contact Kathy Stone,
kastone@comcast.net

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:
“There are some things that are so serious that you just have to laugh at them.”
Niels Bohr

STRIVE RACE DATE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3
All proceeds support the STRIVE

MEMBERSHIP TEAM NEWS
Mentor Training Session—
for new Mentors
October 9
8:30-9:45 a.m.
(for those who were unable to attend the meeting this summer)

Members—please nominate yourself or other member to serve as a mentor.
Contact: Steve Griffith

PROGRAM: Bob Gehrke presents Lue Her, “Otto Bremer Trust”

Lue is seasoned non-profit professional and in addition to his work with the Otto Bremer Trust, he has been a Bush Foundation Fellow. Lue got to know Jeff Otto from our club and has worked with Bill Foussard on Twin City philanthropic endeavors. In 1886, Otto Bremer came to Aberdeen, SD from Germany. From there he made his way to St. Paul, where he grew up, starting his working life as worker in a local hardware store then on to bookkeeping at German American Bank which later became American Bank. With his brother Adolph, he became a partner in the Schmidt Brewery. The Otto Bremer Trust was created by Bremer in 1944, putting \$100,000 to work for various causes to start. They granted about \$50 million in 2018. The Trust owns 92% of the Bremer Bank operation which is most prevalent in rural areas. Lue spends a lot time in these rural areas. The Trust operates in MN, ND, and WI primarily. According to Lue, conversations are the main connector of the Trust to the places and people they work with. Philanthropy to affect change is the main purpose of their gifts as opposed to benevolent giving. Their process after receiving an application includes discernment of how a grant will change a particular situation. They also assess whether or not the organization has good management and stewardship. The Trust does not favor giving to causes when tax dollars are already a big part of the equation. Examples of grant recipients include hospitals, catastrophe situations, adoptions, foster care, arts, civic groups, youth, Red Cross, and emergency vehicles in rural areas. Lue said he loves the giving and humorous nature of Rotarians in various clubs he has visited.

Writer of the week: Darrell Stone

**The Rotary Club of White Bear Lake—
building friendships and improving lives through hands-on
projects in the White Bear area and around the globe**

UPCOMING MEETINGS

October 9: Jim Moore, “What’s Happening in Recovery Field, and how you as a Business Can Benefit”

Chairperson: Andrea Steen

Classification: Jim Rathburn

Greeters: Had Solberg & Paul Keleher

Invocation: Bill Eaves

Writer: Cathy Wyland

October 16: Sharon Kennedy Vickers
“Mayor’s Tech For All”

Chairperson: Barbara Duffrin

Classification: Bryan Belisle

Greeters: Andrea Steen & Paul Keleher

Invocation: Bill Rust

Writer: Dick Galena

October 23: Ken Baltzer, “Celebrity Playlist”

Chairperson: Tim Geck

Classification: None

Greeters: Darrell Stone & Stephen Kelly

Invocatn: Rita Pechmann

Writer: Mark Sather

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

October 30: Brady Ramsay presents:
Ken Smith “Green Energy”

November 6: John Channon presents:
Paul Perez, District Governor

November 13: Dick Galena presents: Commissioner
John Harrington, “Domestic Violence”

November 20: Craig Drake & Patty Hall present:
Hands-on Rotary project

At least three weeks in advance of your schedule, please
contact Jeff Otto: Jeff.otto@opmpallet.com

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, 7a.m.

COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM: Meets last Wednesday of each month, noon, location TBD

FUNDRAISER TEAM: Meets immediately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal)

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

MEMBERSHIP TEAM: Meets 1st Tuesday of each month, 7:30 a.m., Caribou, Cty E & E Cty Line

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.

YOUTH EXCHANGE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday, 4:30 p.m., Washington Square Grill

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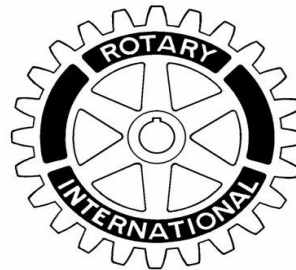
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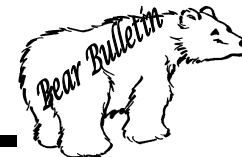
Steven Griffith

Art Hancock



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

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Galloway wants us to save the date of January 15 for our special holiday party at Kellerman's Event Center that will celebrate White Bear Rotary's 40th anniversary.

Ken Galloway has 57 tickets reserved for the Opening Night performance of “Miracle on 34th Street,” the third week of November. We will be able to sign up at an upcoming meeting.

Jim Rathburn announced the October kick-off of the winter clothes and coats drive for the WBLAS Education Foundation Closet. In addition to new and gently used winter wear, we are asking for Target gift cards in \$25 increments this year.

Curt Akenson reported that club members gave over \$27,000 to the Rotary International Foundation, a new club record. Thanks to all that gave. See Curt to start or raise your contribution.

Rob Weber posthumously presented the Inspiration Pin to famed Rotarian and volunteer extraordinaire, **Roy Havenor**. Roy lived into his 90's and was a Mason and a WB Lion also.

October 2, 2019

Greeters: Conrad Solberg &
Wayne Kazmierczak

Classification: Joe Benson

Invocation: Bob Gehrke

Writer: Jackie Reis

Program: John Channon presents:
Alan Anderson,
“Rotary's Climate Action Team”

Song: Ken Baltzer

S-M-I-L-E

1. It isn't any trouble just to s-m-i-l-e,
It isn't any trouble just to s-m-i-l-e,
So smile when you're in trouble,
It will vanish like a bubble,
If you only take the trouble just to s-m-i-l-e.
2. It isn't any trouble just to l-a-u-g-h...
3. It isn't any trouble just to g-r-i-n...
4. Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha
Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha
Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha;
Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha ;
Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha Ha-ha



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