



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

*Meetings
Wednesday at 7:30 a.m.
Via Zoom
(During Pandemic 2020)*



September 9, 2020

Program: Sara Hanson, White Bear Historical Society

Chairperson: Paul Keleher

Classification: Recognition for Attendance 2019-2020

Invocation: Steve LaLiberte

Writer: Dick Galena

Wednesday Morning Meeting Info:
D5960 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

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.
Join Zoom meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87159321038>
Meeting ID: 871 5932 1038

Prior recordings & files from presenters can be accessed at:
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1pN_Oh77b2fViH8x_hfT1t1JoHt-e0c7

501 will be held at Lion's Park at 4:31 p.m. on Fridays for the time being...weather permitting. Bring a chair, a beverage and a mask.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Week twenty-four of White Bear Lake
Rotary meeting in virtual format due to the
COVID-19 virus pandemic*

Kevin Donovan highlighted our club's new video that was previewed at the 8:01 event last week. We had over 30 in attendance at Hanifil and the video is a great showcase of our club. Past President Channon's calm narration showed his star quality. September 23 will be the premiere at our Wednesday morning ZOOM meeting.

PP John Channon gave the results of the recent club survey. Relating to in person meetings, 1/3 of respondents are comfortable with in person meetings, 1/3 are somewhat comfortable, and 1/3 are not comfortable. In that light, we will start a new hybrid meeting format that will allow meeting in person while still running the same ZOOM format that we have now. **October 7 is the first scheduled meeting for the hybrid format.**

Patty Hall mentioned that the Denver clubs are sponsoring a clean water Wash Symposium on October 3 at which she will be a breakout speaker

Ken Baltzer noted that the normal COVID happy hour will resume. These events take place at Lions Park near Admiral D's on Fridays at 4:31 pm. Bring a chair and beverage.

Taste of White Bear Lake

Patty Hall announced plans for our club's online auction. This will replace the **silent auction** that is part of our **Taste of WBL**. Club members should be getting offerings together. More coming from Patty and Pam Bowers on this. We need bigger "experience" items like vacation/cabin rentals, boat rides, group meals, as well as theme baskets. Get creative!

CLASSIFICATION: **Janelle Erickson** shared her family members experience with COVID. She has three daughters on the front line of the fight. Her youngest is in med school and working with COVID positive patients. She notes that lack of PPE is a problem. Middle daughter runs group homes in the Twin Cities and has lost much admired residents to the disease. Her oldest daughter is head of public health for Pierce County in Wisconsin. As an epidemiologist, she works helping residents and county officials work and live in a safe manner. She leads contact tracing efforts, which can be confrontational for some. She needs 24-hour police surveillance because of the thankless tasks she must make decisions about.

REMINDER: **Steve Griffith** announced New Mentor Training on October 14th. This is for members who would like to be a mentor and those who want a refresher.

**APPROVAL OF PROSPECTIVE
NEW MEMBERS**

The following prospective new members have been approved for membership by Club Service and the Board. If you have any objections, please let us know.
Shane Hoefer
Sr Director Major Giving
YMCA of the North
Sponsor: Pat McFarlane

Silas & Vicki Ford
Retired-Transfer from Eastchester
Tuckahoe Rotary, New York
Sponsor: Bill Foussard

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...
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September 1.....Nancy Watkins
September 4.....Bryan Belisle
September 9.....Gordy Beulke
September 13.....Pat McFarlane
September 13.....Scott Neilson
September 16.....Patty Hall
September 22.....Laura Lewis
September 23.....Carter Johnson
September 28.....John Wayne Barker

Program: Steve Griffith presented: Rick Ostrom,
Today's Private Detective

Rick's background includes work with the FBI and work for a private company, Waypoint in WBL, in forensic investigations. He discussed the risks and impact of economic crime. Accounting and audit firm Price Waterhouse Coopers in their annual survey this year found that half of all businesses in the US have been affected by economic fraud, with \$42 billion in reported losses. This includes customers, cybercrime, asset misappropriation, bribery, and corruption. External accounts for 39%, internal 37%, and collusion of external and internal 20%. In the COVID era there is a big impact on the SBA with fraudulent requests in the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program (EIDL). There are many instances of stolen identity, false information, multiple disaster loans for the same company, and foreign entities receiving payments and loans. Fraud is alive and well in MN and not just PPP loans. Unemployment insurance fraud is getting more attention. Using information stolen from the dark web, cold calling email phishing, data theft, and public websites, fraudsters are selling counterfeit PPE, work from home money laundering schemes, and overpriced healthcare related products. Business emails are being compromised and respondents are pressured into doing something quickly, such as helping someone in distress by sending money. There has been \$3 trillion in US government COVID aid so far and estimates are that 5% to 10% of that money has been lost to fraud or abuse. This amounts to \$150 to \$300 billion lost.

Writer of the week: Darrell Stone

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:
On the 19th anniversary of 9/11,
We remember the nation's tragedy...



**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
September 16: Dr John Otto, Marvin's Story
Chairperson: Jeff Otto
Classification: Bob Gehrke
Invocation: Bob Gehrke
Writer: Greg Young

September 23: Amanda LaGrange, CEO of Tech
Dump & Tech Discounts, "Seeing the Value"
Chairperson: Ryan Boog
Classification: Rotary Video
Invocation: Bill Rust
Writer: Jackie Reis

September 30: John Hinderaker, Minnesota
"Should I Stay or Go"
Chairperson: Rebekah Hagstrom
Classification: Carol Nelson
Invocation: Rich Ramsay
Writer: Jim Rathburn

FUTURE PROGRAMS: The new Hybrid meeting format is scheduled to begin on October 7...stay tuned!

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**WBLROTARY TEAM MEETINGS—
CURRENTLY HELD VIA ZOOM**
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 of month, 8 a.m.
FUNDRAISER TEAM: Meets immediately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal)
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday of month, 7 a.m.
MEMBERSHIP TEAM: Meets 1st Tuesday of month, 7:30 a.m.
PUBLIC IMAGE TEAM: Meets 3rd Thursday 7 a.m.
VOCATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 1st Thursday of month, 7 am
YOUTH EXCHANGE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday, 4:30 p.m.

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