



*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)



November 11, 2020

**Program: Brian Collins, Assoc. Warden
Challenge Incarceration**

Chairperson: Jeff Otto

Classification: Ellen Hiniker

Invocation: Bill Rust

Writer: Bob Timmons

Wednesday Morning Meeting Info via Zoom D5960 is inviting you to a scheduled 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/drive/folders/11pN_Oh77b2fViH8x_hfT1t1JoHt-e0c7?usp=sharing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pam Bowers announced that volunteers are needed for the November 14th **Salvation Army bell ringing**. Sign up is available on the White Bear Lake Rotary club's webpage. Thank you to **Dale Grambush** for getting the sign-up sheet online.

Craig Drake announced that **Shari Wilson** has completed her mentorship program. Congratulations Shari!

Jim Rathburn announced that the Rotary Club is once again seeking donations for the White Bear Lake Area Education Foundation's winter clothing drive. The program's primary needs are women's coats, children's snow pants, gloves, socks, and gift cards.

Ken Galloway gave the club an update on the results of the recent **PCs for People** collection. This technology drive supplied 76 computers to area families.

Ken Baltzer announced that 501 Club at Lions Park has been moved to 4:00. Keep an eye out for future schedule and location updates.

Ken Galloway announced that Planning meetings have begun for the **BEAR'ly Open** (the Golf Tourney on Ice). The proceeds from this event support the Food Shelf—where the demand for food in September was up 87%.



Coming Soon! Our first online auction!

JINGLE BEAR ONLINE AUCTION

Bidding begins: November 17 at 1pm

Bidding ends: November 21 at 8pm

Sponsored By:



Brian & Lael Belisle



The upcoming Jingle Bear Auction, scheduled online for November 17, 1:00 p.m. to November 21, 8:00 p.m., is quickly approaching. Click on the links below and check out what we have so far, with new items being added daily. Please take a look at the online catalog, and register to be a bidder. Don't want anything? There is a spot to make a donation online. To view the auction catalog:

<https://www.silentauctionpro.com/onlineprogramguide.php...>

To Register- and please do: (you will need to add your credit card)

<https://www.silentauctionpro.com/signinregisterolb.php?groupId=1697&olbreturn=/bidonlinegrid.php?groupId=1697&ks=1> Share the website with your friends and family.

We will need bidders to make the auction a success for our club!

For All Community Service Volunteer Opportunities,

go to <http://www.whitebearrotary.org> home page to access the sign-up sheets.

Opportunities include:

1. **Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army**, Saturday, Nov. 14, still has open slots to be filled.
2. **After the Jingle Bear Silent Auction**, we need volunteers to help on item pick-up days.
3. **The WBL Food Shelf** continues to need volunteers.

Also of note, the **5th annual WBL fall clothes drive to benefit WBLAEF and the Closet** is going on all of November. Donations of new (or gently-used) winter clothing, or Target gift cards, are being collected by Jim Rathburn. Contact Jim at 612-383-8232 to arrange delivery.

EQUITY AND INCLUSION TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT:

Join *Conversations of the Valley*, sponsored by St. Croix Valley Foundation, for their series on Racial Justice: Listening and Learning. The **November 18, Noon-1:00 PM**, program features Jason Jackson, diversity and inclusion consultant for Health Partners Inc., speaking on "Identifying, Resisting, and Responding to Racism." To register:

<https://www.scvfoundation.org/conversations-of-the-valley>

Program: Ed Marek, Rotary District Governor

Ed Marek serves as our district 5960 governor. Ed was a member of the Shakopee Rotary Club and the Eden Prairie Rotary Club in the 1990's. He left Rotary for a short period of time due to a job change, but he rejoined the St. Paul Sunrise Club in 2001. Ed has served as club president twice and has held several different roles within the club and district.

The majority of Ed's professional career has been in nonprofit fundraising, most notably with the American Red Cross. While with the Red Cross, Ed served on several national disaster assignments throughout the state and country.

Ed discussed Rotary's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the nation's inequality issues. Rotary's goal has been to provide a safe and inclusive environment. Rotary brings people together to solve problems, and this might be needed now more than ever. Ed also touched on the district's membership initiative and finding creative ways to start new clubs. Lastly, Ed mentioned that this has been one of the best Rotary Foundation contribution years and encouraged Rotarians to continue their support.

Classification Time: Shane Hoefler, YMCA

Shane Hoefler grew up in Arden Hills and has lived in White Bear Lake since 2010. He and his wife have 6 children and are expecting their 7th in February 2021. Shane and his family are deeply involved at St Pius Church and at Frassati Catholic Academy.

Professionally, Shane is an executive at the YMCA. He has served in various roles since he started there in 2004, and he is currently involved primarily in fundraising.

The COVID-19 pandemic has certainly affected the YMCA and altered what and how programs are offered. In March, the facilities and camps were closed per Governor Walz's orders. The YMCA therefore changed its outreach programs to help those in need. As an example, with the help of the Rotary Club and local businesses, the YMCA distributed over 46,000 meals during the summer to White Bear Lake area residents.

Writer of the week: Greg Young

PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBER

The following person has been approved for Rotary Club membership by Club Service and the Board and is now awaiting membership approval. If there are no objections, she will be inducted at an upcoming meeting
Julie Honsa
Honsa Family Funeral Home
Funeral Director
Sponsor: Bob Gehrke

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Accept each person as a human first"
- Tom Harkin

**COMMUNITY UPDATES
GIVE TO THE MAX DAY
November 19, 2020**

This is a statewide outpouring of support for thousands of non-profits and schools across America. Many organizations in or local area benefit from these resources (including Cerenity Senior Care in White Bear Lake). Website: GiveMN.org for a list of organizations and information on giving.

**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

November 18: Ekaterenburg Russia Club

Chairperson: Ann Frisch

Classification: None

Invocation: Bob Gehrke

Writer: Darrell Stone

November 25: Dale Anderson

Chairperson: Jeff Otto

**Classification Time: Stephen Kelly,
Living Room Conversations**

Invocation: Rich Ramsay

Writer: Jackie Reis

December 2: Gabrielle Clowdus,

**A Community's First Approach to
Homelessness**

Chairperson: Bob Morse

Classification: Steve Griffith

Invocation: Bill Eaves

Writer: Mark Sather

**FUTURE PROGRAMS: Rotary meetings
are on Zoom.**

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**OR GO TO: ITUNES AND TYPE IN
WBLROTARY**

**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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