

**WBL Rotary 40th Anniversary Celebration
January 15, 2020**

Over 80 past and present WBL Rotarians and guests gathered at Kellerman’s Event Center in Downtown White Bear Lake on January 15th to commemorate the club’s 40th Anniversary and enjoy musical entertainment by two White Bear Lake High School groups, a delicious dinner, fellowship and plenty of good humor while reflecting on the club’s activities and accomplishments over the past four decades. It was noted that while many service organizations struggle to maintain their viability, White Bear Lake Rotary has thrived and it’s membership is nearing 100.

A great deal of the club’s success was attributed to its robust level of active and hands-on service options, it’s sense of camaraderie , diversity of talent and it’s member’s commitment to “Service Above Self.” Below is an abbreviated list of past and on-going activities.

Senior Picnic
STRIVE Scholarship
International projects in India, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Jamaica.
Numerous building projects throughout the community including Rotary Nature Preserve, Clark Avenue, Caboose, Northeast Residences, etc.
Downtown flags
Veteran’s Park in Mahtomedi
Manitou Days Beach Dances
Dinner with Santa
Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Red Cross Blood Drives
BEAR’ly Open
Collections for Food Shelf and winter clothing for kids
Youth Exchange , Group Study Exchange, Open World and other home stay opportunities
Cash contributions to Scouting, YMCA, H2O for life
Taste of White Bear Lake and many other “Fun” fundraisers
And last but not least, fun activities such as trips to Old Log and Lakeshore Theaters, Ski trips, fishing trips to Lake MI, BWCA canoe trips, annual pontoon rides, curling and 5:01.

Its been a great 40 years and there are many more ahead.

PROGRAM OF JANUARY 8TH: Mike Lovett introduced Myrna Krueger to describe sustainable gardening practices in Rwanda. Ms. Krueger has a background in agricultural extension and much of her career has been spent in agricultural marketing and promotion of sustainable gardening. She explained that climate change is having a significant impact on agriculture including yield reduction and plant disease spread. 67% of the children of Rwanda are malnourished however many successful efforts are underway to promote family and community based gardening employing “Permaculture” practices which are demonstrating success in over 100 nations. Permaculture emphasizes small family based organic gardens usually located adjacent to homes and using captured rain from the roof of the home which is stored in the specially prepared subsoil augmented with food byproducts, ash and compost avoiding the need for further irrigation, chemical fertilizer and herbicides. Ms. Krueger displayed illustrations of how rain water is transferred from rooftops to the permaculture gardens through shallow trenches and how the gardens are maintained. She also announced that the UN has declared 2020 - 2030 as the decade of ecosystem restoration and that permaculture is expected to add significant progress to this effort.

Writer of the week:
Mark Sather

**COMMUNITY SERVICE
TEAM MEETING**
WEDNESDAY, January 29
12:00—1:00 p.m.
Mahtomedi District Education Center,
Room 107
If you after interested in Community
Service projects, come join our team

PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBER
The following person has been approved for Rotary International and White Bear Lake Rotary membership. If there are no objections they will be inducted at an upcoming meeting:
Mike Brass
Commercial Real Estate
Titus Commercial Real Estate
Sponsor: Tim Geck

**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

**February 5: Perry Peterson,
WBL Foodshelf: Hunger in our Neighborhood
Chairperson: Ken Galloway
Classification: Amy Dauplaise
Greeters: Greg Young & Jim Muellner
Invocation: Steve Griffith
Writer: Rita Pechmann**

**February 19: Karen Marberry, Work
Opportunity Tax Credit**
Chairperson: Rich Ramsay
Classification: Craig Drake
Greeters: Gene Altstatt & Jeff Otto
Invocation: Bill Eaves
Writer: Bob Timmons

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

February 26: Jeff Otto presents FBI

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

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Bear Bulletin Deadline: Friday, 5pm

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.

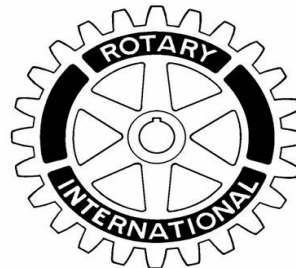
YOUTH EXCHANGE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday, 4:30 p.m., Washington Square Grill

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President	John Channon
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Bill Rust
Bob Gehirke
Steve LaLiberte
Rita Pechmann
Bill Eaves
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

40th Anniversary Thank You From President John Channon

Thank you to all of our members that attended the 40th Anniversary celebration. It was a wonderful evening of music, food, trips down memory lane and fellowship. I would like to thank our sponsors, our Club Service team and in particular Bob Timmons, Ken Galloway and Pam Tschida for their contributions to this successful event

Most of the announcements from January 8th were for events now past but here are a few that remain current.....

* On behalf of the Rotary International Foundation **Curt Akenson** presented multiple Paul Harris Fellowships to **Bill Rust (8), Craig Drake (5), Brady Ramsey (5)** and a new fellowship to **Bob Morse**. Congratulations and thanks to each.

* Our in-bound Youth Exchange Student, **Laura Moreno**, described the several holiday activities she has enjoyed over the past two weeks and announced she has completed to moved to her second host family. **Tim Wald** explained the club is seeking one more host family for about three months this spring. Here is a great chance for a memorable experience for you and your household. See Tim for more information.

January 22, 2020

Greeters: Rob Wood & Bob Morse

Classification: Dustin Carlson

Induction-New Member:
Jackson Simon
Sponsor: Mike Lovett

Invocation: Bob Gehrke

Writer: Cathy Wyland

**Program: Jim Rathburn presents:
Tom Whaley, St. Paul Saints**

Song Leader: Ken Baltzer

Get Together Song

The more we get together, together, together,
The more we get together,
the happier we'll be
For your friends are my friends,
And my friends are your friends,
The more we get together,
the happier we'll be.
The more we sing at Rotary, Rotary, Rotary
The more we sing at Rotary,
the happier we'll be
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