



**VOTE  
NOVEMBER  
8TH**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...  
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**November 9.....Jeff Otto  
November 9.....Ann Frisch**

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

"Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way to do this is by not voting."

- Franklin D. Roosevelt

**ROTARY  
STRIVE SCHOLARSHIP RACE**  
November 6, 2016  
Kowalski's STRIVE 10 Miler  
5K and 10 Mile Course  
(around White Bear Lake)  
Www.whitebearrotary.org

District 5960  
Annual Foundation  
Centennial Celebration

November 12, 2016  
Double Tree by Hilton Hotel  
411 MN Street, St. Paul, MN  
5:30-9 p.m.

Contact Curt Akenson if you would like to attend—representing WBL Rotary. There is no charge to WBL Rotarians/guest.

**PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS**

The following person has been approved for Rotary membership in the WBL Club. If there are no objections from club members within 10 days, they will be inducted at an upcoming meeting:

**Michelle Michael**  
White Bear Dentists  
Classification: Dental  
Operations Manager  
Sponsor: Bob Morse

**CLASSIFICATION: .BRADY RAMSAY**

Brady Ramsay is a sharply-dressed non-millennial that was born and raised in Mahtomedi. He graduated from Mahtomedi High School and attended the University of Minnesota-Duluth, where he earned a degree in accounting. Shortly after graduation, he and his wife Heather moved to Arizona and lived there for 3 years before moving back to Minnesota.

Brady and Heather have been married for 9 years and have 2 sons. They enjoy boating, swimming, and travelling as a family. In his spare time, Brady also takes on household remodeling projects.

Brady has been a Rotarian for 8 years, is currently serving the club as past-president, and has been involved in Rotary's Young Professional Summit.

**PROGRAM: John Wayne Barker presents: Merrick, Inc.**

Merrick, Inc is a nonprofit organization that offers vocational and social opportunities to adults with intellectual disabilities. Merrick serves over 375 clients using a variety of programs; Merrick offers work enrichment programs, self advocacy groups, music therapy, and recreation, for example, to help clients achieve their goals.

Merrick's clients vary in their backgrounds and needs. 70% of Merrick's clients live in group homes, some live with family members, and some live independently. Some other their clients work within their Vadnais Heights location, some work off site, some are hired directly by location businesses, and some Merrick clients choose not to work.

Merrick takes pride in its community involvement. They contribute to the local workforce, help host the Russian delegation from the Open World Program, lend buses to the Rotary Club for the annual Senior Picnic, and host a local food drive, for example. A recent study indicated that for each \$1 that Merrick took in from state or federal tax, \$3 went back out into the community.

Merrick and the other 120 agencies state wide that offer these programs to intellectually disabled adults face some tough budget threats in the coming years. Legislative and budget initiatives would make offering these programs next to impossible, so Rotarians are urged to keep a watchful eye on the situation.

*Writer of the week:* **Greg Young**

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

Then it's "Hi! Hi! Hee!" in the Field Artillery,  
call out your numbers loud and strong!  
For where e'er we go, you will always know,  
That our caissons are rolling along,  
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