



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

*Meetings
Wednesday at 7:30 a.m.
Hybrid - at Rudy's Red-eye Grill and via Zoom*



June 16, 2021

PROGRAM: Rick Heidick,
Fast For Hope

CHAIRPERSON: Pam Tschida

CLASSIFICATION: Art Hancock

INVOCATION: Rich Ramsay

WRITER: Darrell Stone

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

.WBL Rotary Club Celebrates 5:01– NOW CALLED 4:01– back at Rudy’s:
Join with fellow Rotarians on Friday afternoons at 4:01 p.m. at Rudy’s Redeye Grill. This is a great end of the week opportunity for relaxation, conversation, laughs and fellowship. Join with other club members welcoming the weekend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Timmons reported that plans and preparation for the 2021 Taste of White Bear Lake are proceeding well. Public health trends indicate that the COVID-19 protocols will allow a “normal social event.” **Pat McFarlane** explained that ticket sales are going well but on-line sales may need to be shut down as we are approaching the maximum; however that assumes Rotarians holding tickets will sell the or buy them. Reminder that if you were a Taste sponsor, you received free tickets. Do not confuse these with the four tickets you are expected to sell/buy. If everyone sells or buys their four tickets we will be in great shape!

Mark Sather thanked the 15 Rotarians who worked on the Trail Shelter project. Great job— party in the works!

Ken Baltzer announced that volunteers will be needed at the Beach Dance and for set-up on Thursday and Friday. Ken will provide details.

Greg Bartz encouraged Rotarians to help with a public image booth at the annual White Bear Lake community celebration— Manitou Days and Market Fest. Just show up and share your Rotary experience with the local community.

Greg Bartz also announced a February ski trip to Vail in 2022!

CLASSIFICATION: Michael Lovett

Mike attended Carleton College in Northfield and graduated in 1970 with a B.A. in history, an educator’s license and an eagerness to teach young minds. After studying abroad for part of his college studies, Lovett was offered a teaching job in Smithtown, N.Y. He completed both his master’s degree and his Ph.D. studies at the University of Minnesota. In 1979, he began work at the Minnesota Department of Education, where he would remain for five years. Lovett became the assistant superintendent for instruction in human resources for the Minnetonka Public Schools in 1988. “I was in Minnetonka for 20 years,” Lovett says. Lovett and his wife raised four children, who graduated from the Minnetonka public school system. Then, on July 1, 2008, I came to White Bear Lake as school superintendent,” Lovett says. He and his wife made the move to White Bear Lake because, as he puts it, “it’s important for a school superintendent to live in the community where he is working.” He retired from the job in 2017. Amidst various community and nonprofit endeavors, he today teaches graduate students at the U of M.

Mike has been a great Rotarian and dedicated to our community.

He noted that the pandemic created many positives. A deepening of gratitude, improvisation, and hope. He has found that the time created new opportunities to connect with people.

Mike has an ability to impact lives, has passion for people and a constant resolve to make a change for the better.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jim Hunt announced: Rancho Quemado Water Project Reaches Completion. The White Bear lead District Grant project to provide water storage and distribution to this small village on the Osa Peninsula in far SW Costa Rica is finished. The \$16,000 grant provided two—22,000 liter tanks and two distribution lines. This provided water to 90 families, for many the first running water in their homes, along with several community buildings. Thanks goes out to White Bear and the other four district clubs that supported this project.

Did you know? Pam Bowers announced that Rotary D5960 awarded “The Bees Knees Award” for our Pollinator Project. Special thanks to Pam, Carol Nelson, Leo Schuch, Jeanne Hartle and many others who helped with this project!

WBL Rotary Team Meetings schedule is on the last page of this Bulletin. All members are invited/encouraged to join any of these teams. Not sure who to contact? The committee names and chairpersons are also listed.

Merchant Minute featured Jenny Honmyhr, General Manager of Culvers on Centerville Road. They have been very generout in sponsoring and promoting Rotary projects, esp. Taste of White Bear Lake.

PROGRAM: Jeff Otto presents: Scott Schulz, President, Water Gremlin

Water Gremlin fishing sinkers are uniquely American-designed and American-built to make fishing easier — to help you catch more fish. That’s why they’ve been America’s favorite fishin’ sinker since 1949. For over 60 years Water Gremlin has been helping fishermen with one successful sinker innovation after another.

Water Gremlin Company was founded in 1949, in White Bear Lake, Minnesota as a supplier of innovative products to the recreational fishing markets. Initial products included fishing lures and lead sinkers. Our manufacturing scope broadened in the 1970s to include industry-leading terminals for lead-acid batteries.

We currently have over 160,000 square feet of combined manufacturing and warehousing space in Minnesota. We are the leading supplier of battery terminals to the North and South American battery markets, as well as other markets throughout the world.

They have been a long standing member of the business community in WBL. In recent times, they were cited for water pollution violations, and have been working with the State and various parties to resolve the issues, and remediate. Water Gremlin and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) have signed a stipulation agreement that resolves alleged hazardous waste and stormwater issues identified during previous inspections.

The White Bear Township company is required to implement rigorous training and safeguards to prevent further contamination, as well as pay a \$325,000 civil penalty. Noted in the agreement is Water Gremlin’s completion of 31 corrective actions regarding its handling and management of lead, lead-contaminated hazardous waste, TCE-contaminated hazardous waste, used oil and used oil-contaminated materials. In a press release of its own, Water Gremlin maintained it has been voluntarily cooperating with county and state authorities to make improvements in facilities and processes for its handling of hazardous waste materials. Scott provided comments that his company is doing all required and going further to ensure safety.

Writer of the week: Jim Rathburn

ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST:

- ⇒ Is it the truth?
 - ⇒ Is it fair to all concerned?
 - ⇒ Will it build good will and better friendships?
 - ⇒ Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
- IS IT FUN?

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:
“Each morning we are born again. What we do today is what matters most.”

-Buddha

UPCOMING MEETINGS

June 23: Sue Paget, Rotary Action Group for Family Health and AIDs Prevention; a public private partnership

**Chairperson: Carol Nelson
Classification: Dale Grambush
Invocation: Rita Pechmann
Writer: Greg Young**

June 30: Effiom Whyte, Kingston Jamaica, “Eyes on the Prize”

**Chairperson: Pat McClernon
Classification: John Balfanz
Invocation: Art Hancock
Writer: Bob Timmons**

NEW FISCAL YEAR:

July 7: Sophia Lenarz-Coy, Exec Director of The Food Group, Fighting Hunger-Strengthening Community

**Chairperson: Jackie Reis
Classification: Irina Fursman
Invocation: Carol Nelson
Writer: Carol Nelson**

FUTURE PROGRAMS:

July 14: Alex Legeros, “Art as Healing at White Bear Center for the Arts”

July 21: Kent Whitworth, Pres. MN Historical Society, “History Matters”

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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, 8:30 a.m.
- FUNDRAISER TEAM:** Meets immediately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal)
- INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM:** Meets 2nd Thursday of month, 7 a.m.
- MEMBERSHIP TEAM:** Meets 3rd Tuesday of month, 7:30 a.m.
- PUBLIC IMAGE TEAM:** Meets 3rd Thursday, 8:30 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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