



*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 25, 2020**

**November 25: Dale Anderson,  
"Never Act Your Age"**

**Chairperson: John Kenyon**

**Induction of New Member: Julie Honsa**

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

**Invocation: Rich Ramsay**

**Writer: Jackie Reis**

**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 meet-  
ing 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/  
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e0c7?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/11pN_Oh77b2fViH8x_hfT1t1JoHt-e0c7?usp=sharing)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Patty Hall** reported that the **Jingle Bear on-  
line silent auction** is in high gear and  
running smoothly with many great items  
to bid on. The bidding will remain open  
until Saturday November 21 at 8:00 p.m.  
Thanks to all who helped make this  
special COVID-19 era fundraiser a  
success.

Speaking of fundraisers, after applying "an  
abundance of caution" and planning to  
cancel the 2021 **Bear'ly Open** due to  
safety risks caused by the corona virus  
**Ken Galloway** announced that with  
some changes in the rules it appears the  
tournament may be on again. Plans are  
back in the works so stay tuned.

**Pam Bowers** called for special thanks for the  
twelve WBL Rotarians who braved the  
nippy weather while ringing the bells for  
the Salvation Army Christmas donation  
pot at CUB Foods. Great job folks!

Its not cold everywhere. **Desmond Creary**  
and **Effiom Whyte** sent warm greetings  
from our Twin Club in Kingston Jamai-  
ca. Desmond and Effiom, as well as sev-  
eral other members from their club have  
become regular attendees at our virtual  
meetings and their participation is very  
much valued and appreciated.



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**THE JINGLE BEAR SILENT AUCTION...** Thank you to all that contributed  
and made the Jingle Bear Auction a success! If you have not claimed your win-  
ning bid items, please contact Patty Hall or Pam Bowers.

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

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**EQUITY AND INCLUSION TEAM:**

**"This is the year to rethink Thanksgiving. We can all acknowledge  
the true history of the land we're on and honor the hardships en-  
dured by those who came before and allowed us to be where we  
are today."** Sean Sherman, The Sioux Chef, a member of the Oglala  
Lakota Sioux and author of "The Sioux Chef's Indigenous Kitchen."

Our Rotary Book Club invites members to join us for our fifth and last  
meeting as we discuss **Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents**. It's not  
required that you've read the book; come for our discussion. Monday,  
November 30, noon -1:00 PM. Contact Jackie ( [jreis.wbl@gmail.com](mailto:jreis.wbl@gmail.com)) to  
receive the Zoom link.

We will be picking a second book soon!

**President Pat** called upon **Ann Frisch** to introduce the program of the day. She recalled the work of Sharon Tennison, an American nurse who set out to assist in de-escalating cold war tensions by attempting to bridge misunderstanding and fear between Americans and Russians by bringing citizen diplomats together through grass root exchanges and conversations about common interests. Results of her initiatives continue today through several exchanges of citizens promoting peace through understanding. Ann said she was delighted to introduce Nena Novomeyskaya and Vladimer Korsun of the Ekaterinburg, Russia Rotary Club with whom she has been conversing over the past two months and they in turn introduced six additional members of their club attending this meeting.

Ekaterinburg is the largest city in the administrative center of Sverdlovsk Oblast and the Ural Federal District. It is located on the Iset River in Western Siberia with a population of 1.5 million and a climate similar to MN. It and the 2.2 million urban agglomeration in which it is located is often referred to as the “Third Capital” of Russia due to its size, economy, culture, transportation and tourism. Their club was founded in 1998 with 18 members and has grown to 32. The club has been active in international exchanges with Rotary clubs in CA, NM, TX and Canada. It helps promote native art, an orphanage, a care clinic for disabled person, Para Olympics and has sponsored a youth club. Their formal introduction was followed by several questions and answers ranging from how COVID-19 is affecting their region to climate and economic development. The notion of a possible exchange of five members from each club surfaced from the conversation and there appeared to be significant interest from both clubs. At President Pat’s suggestion/request Ann agreed to explore this idea further if she receives assistance from other club members. Sounds like a great start to a whole new peaceful and cultural exchange opportunity. If you have interest in pursuing this prospect contact Ann. Thanks for an interesting program!

*Writer of the Week: Mark Sather*

*“Character is formed, not by laws, commands and decrees, but by quiet influence, unconscious suggestion and personal guidance”*

- Marion Burton

**The following person has been approved for membership in the White Bear Lake Rotary Club. Upon approval by the membership, he will be inducted at an upcoming meeting:**

**Mike McAllister**  
**Inventiv Designs/Lugnuts Garage**  
**Sponsor: Bob Gehrke**

**Chairperson: Bob Morse**  
**Classification: Steve Griffith**  
**Invocation: Art Hancock**  
**Writer: Jim Rathburn**

**December 9: Jeffrey Korzenik**  
**What Crime Costs**  
**Chairperson: Rita Pechmann**  
**Classification: Mike Brass**  
**Invocation : Bill Eaves**  
**Writer: Greg Young**

**December 16: Wayne Kazmierczak**  
**Keeping WBL District 624 Schools Strong**  
**Chairperson: Paul Keleher**  
**Classification: Rotary Elections**  
**Invocation: Steve Griffith**  
**Writer: Dick Galena**

**FUTURE PROGRAMS:** There will be no Rotary meetings on December 23 and 30; holiday social is also cancelled.

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**BOARD MEETINGS:** Meets 4th Tuesday of month, 7 a.m.  
**CLUB SERVICE TEAM:** Meets 2nd Tuesday of month, 7 a.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.

President..... Pat McClernon  
 President-Elect ... Michael Lovett  
 Past President .... John Channon  
 Treasurer ..... Bob Timmons  
 Secretary ..... Ashley Filipovich  
 Exec. Secretary ... Marlyce Paulson  
 Public Image ..... Kevin Donovan  
 Rotary Foundation. Curt Akenson  
 Community Service. Pam Bowers  
    Rita Pechmann  
 Vocational Service .Ken Baltzer  
    Derrek Skeie  
 Club Service ..... Chuck Sandstrom  
    Pam Tschida  
 Membership ..... Jim Hunt  
    Miriah VanDuuren  
 International .... Greg Bartz  
    Patty Hall  
 Equity & Inclusion....Kevin Donovan  
    Jackie Reis  
 Youth Exchange .. Tim Wald  
 Bulletin Writers ... Mark Sather  
    Darrell Stone  
    Greg Young  
    Dick Galena  
    Bob Timmons  
    Jim Rathburn  
    Jackie Reis  
 Invocations .... Rich Ramsay  
    Bill Rust  
    Bob Gehrke  
    Steve LaLiberte  
    Rita Pechmann  
    Bill Eaves  
    Steven Griffith  
    Art Hancock