



*Celebrating 43 Years of Service
To the Community
Rotary Club of White Bear Lake*

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



JULY 27, 2022

PROGRAM: Hockey Day MN
Mike Schwartz, Corey Roberts,
Jon Anderson

CHAIR: Greg Bartz

INVOCATION/INSPIRATION:
Carol Nelson

CLASSIFICATION: Pam Tschida

WRITER: Carol Nelson

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at Rudy's and via zoom.

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.
To join the Zoom meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87159321038>
Meeting ID: 871 5932 1038

WBL Rotary Club Celebrates 4:01- at Rudy's.
Join us for end-of-week social time with
Rotarian friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
#IMAGINE ROTARY

Best wishes to **John Kenyon** were extended by President **Bob Timmons**. John was recently hospitalized for five days with a blood disorder and is now home recovering but was able to join our July 20th meeting via Zoom. Get well John!

Take me out to the ball game...join with other Rotarians at the St. Paul Saints baseball game at CHS field on Thursday, July 28th. Contact **Chuck Sandstrom**

Annual WBL Pontoon Event and Box Dinner at **Gene and Marcia Altstatt** residence, 67 Wildwood Beach Road, Mahtomedi, August 25th at 5:30 p.m., \$20/person. Enjoy a lively celebration and a fun pontoon ride on White Bear Lake. Watch for the upcoming sign-up.

Derrek Skeie announced a White Bear Lake Rotary site for ordering wearables (shirts, hats). The site is from Thread Art. Here is a link to the showroom/store - Click on your logo and enter password: <https://www.threadartmn.com/showrooms.html>: Password: **Rotary**

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ken Baltzer reminded the membership of the next **STRIVE Scholarship race** to be held August 6th at 8:00. Ken is seeking event sponsors for \$100 with your name on the tee shirts.

Ashley Filipovich and Julie Honsa presented an update on the Taste of White Bear Lake 2022 to be held September 10th at Pine Tree Orchard. By now every member should have received the **tickets** which it is hoped they will buy and sell. On-line sales have started to roll in so lets get cracking on our personal sales. Checks should be made out to WBL Rotary Foundation. If you are interested in being a **sponsor** and receive the accompanying benefits, check with **Darrell Stone or Jim Rathburn**.

Greg Bartz explained as social gathering will be held at Solid Ground on August 2nd from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and the public is welcome. Check with Greg for details. Greg also highlighted Rotary District membership statistics noting our clubs impressive growth with increases each of the past three consecutive years.

Mark Sather explained that a group of WBL residents are assisting four Afghan families who fled when US troops withdrew last year. They are settling in the Twin cities as protected refugees and the volunteer group is identifying certain needs. One household needs a reliable bike for a 6'5" male. If you are interested in assisting contact him at 651-426-5217. Donation of a seldom used bicycle will be very much appreciated by a grateful family.

Tim Wald announced that WBL Schools and our club are investigating the possible participation in a cultural exchange of Ukrainian students between the ages of 13 and 18 beginning mid August and continuing to early September and involving youth leadership development. Host families will be needed as well as assistance with transportation, etc. Plans are being developed by Global Strategies and more details are expected soon.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST
MEMBER—GLORIA DRAKE**

Chuck Sandstrom introduced our newest member Gloria Drake and led her initiation. Gloria is not new to our club as she has been involved in many of its activities over several years. Oh yes, by the way, she is married to past president Craig Drake. Welcome Gloria.



**IMAGINE
ROTARY**

PROGRAM FROM MEETING OF 7/20/2022 :

Pat McFarlane introduced Chris Kost to present the YMCA story. Chris is a graduate of Stillwater High School and the U of M. He began his career with jobs in health care, senior housing and in health and fitness. He accepted his first position with the YMCA in Burnsville as the Aquatics Director in 2008. He helped establish the YMCA in Prior Lake, became Executive director of the YMCA in Hudson in 2015 and accepted that role in WBL’s YMCA in 2020. He has been a Rotarian for 12 years and is currently President to the Hudson, WI club. Chris explained that the YMCA was founded in London in 1844 and was first introduced in MN in 1856. It is currently serving in 121 countries. He pointed out that the Y is not just Gyms, swimming. It has helped lead improvements in civil rights, housing, public health and services to people in need. The White Bear Lake branch has served the community for decades and currently has 1400 member units (families) plus over 1200 seniors with 45% from White Bear Lake and the Township, 30% from Mahtomedi and the remainder from surrounding cities. Through a partnership with schools, seven H.S. teams use the WBL Pool and over 1200 elementary students receive swimming lessons. 64 life guards were trained last year. Beyond physical development the YMCA provided programs for social, emotional and mental development in a safe environment including drop-off activities, Youth in Government, Mock UN, Adventure Lab (outdoor experience that builds confidence and community) respectful conversation training and access to healthy food by children and families. Financial assistance is provided to those in need through private donations. Chris also described the impact of COVID-19 on the YMCA of the North including the need to furlough nearly all of its employees, loss of millions in revenue but it is working it’s way back with the assistance of supporters. Thanks for the up-date Pat and Chris.

Your reporter further sayeth naught,

Writer of the week: Mark Sather

Thought of the week:

“When I was growing up, my parents told me, “Finish your dinner. People in China and India are starving.” I tell my daughters, “Finish your homework. People in China and India are starving for your jobs.”

- Thomas Friedman

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???

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

August 3:
PROGRAM: TBA
CHAIR: TBA
INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Bill Eaves
CLASSIFICATION: Tim Wald
WRITER: Darrell Stone

August 10:
PROGRAM: Scott Miller, Paddling the Mississippi
CHAIR: Bob Timmons
INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Bill Rust
CLASSIFICATION: Reed Walhof
WRITER: Jackie Reis

August 17:
PROGRAM: Tracey Shimek & Mike Greenbaum
White Bear Lake’s Autonomous Vehicle
CHAIR: TBA
CLASSIFICATION: None
INVOCATION/INSPIRATION: Rich Ramsay
WRITER: Jim Rathburn

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WBL ROTARY TEAM MEETINGS—
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

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