

## 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)



#### August 5, 2020

Program: Matt Bostrom, PhD Research Project — Covid, Riots, Policing—Possible Solutions

**Chairperson: Jeff Otto** 

**Classification:** Greg Bartz

**Invocation: Rich Ramsay** 

Writer: Jackie Reis

#### Wednesday Morning Meeting Info:

Wednesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.
With Social time @ 7:15 a.m.
Join WBL Rotary Weekly Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/530467809? pwd=R3dHV1JXWHcxb2Frd3d1VDRPVXhrUT09

Meeting ID: 530 467 809 Password: 991694

Prior recordings & files from presenters can be

accessed at:

https://drive.google.com/open? id=11pN Oh77b2fViH8x hfT1t1JoHt-e0c7

501 will be held at Lion's Park at 4:30 p.m. on Fridays for the time being...weather permitting. Bring a chair, a beverage and a mask.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Week nineteen of White Bear Lake Rotary meeting in virtual format due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic

**Kevin Donovan** asked Rotarians to mark August 14 on their calendars for the release of our club's video. The outdoor event will take place in the evening (our first 801) at the Hanifl Performing Arts Center, and more details will follow.

**Steve Griffith** has assumed the District Membership Chair role effective July 1. Steve congratulated the club for being a leader in our district and asked members to complete the membership survey that was recently emailed.

Mark Sather announced that Nancy and Rod Oakes have completed their mentorship program.

A drill bit set was left behind at the picnic table building event. If it belongs to you, please contact **Mark Sather.** 

Friday's 501 Club meeting will begin at 4:30 at Lions Park.

#### **CLASSIFICATION: Bill Eaves**

Bill Eaves is the pastor at White Bear Lake United Methodist Church and discussed how COVID-19 has changed the faith community over the past few months. Since restrictions have prevented public gatherings, the church has continued to find new ways to keep people connected. Bill mentioned that he and church volunteers have learned a lot about technology and video production over the past few months, as they have moved their worship services online. They are using Facebook and YouTube to broadcast both live steaming and pre-produced services, and this has allowed them to connect with a broader audience. For example, Bill's mother in Georgia is even able to tune in. Bill mentioned that not being there when parishioners are in their time of need has been the biggest struggle during this pandemic; hospital visits have been prohibited, and only small outdoor funerals have been allowed. The church is starting to re-open with precautions, and church leadership will continue to monitor this.



### Taste of White Bear Lake update:

This year's passport has coupons to 30 local restaurants.

Tickets can still be purchased through Rotarians or online.

There will be no organized event on September 12.

## Program: Kevin Donovan presents: Bill Coleman, PCs for People

PCs for People is a non-profit group that strives for digital equity and aims to provide the opportunity for all low-income individuals and nonprofits to benefit from the life changing impact of computers and mobile internet. The group provides these opportunities in 4 ways:

- 1. **Source** the group sources used technology from businesses and individuals. Many of their computes come from large corporations that switch out computers every couple of years
- 2. **Refurbish** PCs for People cleans the computers and wipes any data from the machine. They then install up to date software like Windows 10 or Microsoft Office, and often include educational software.
- 3. **Distribute** PCs for People has retail centers, e-commerce, and community distribution events. Since cost is the number 1 barrier to low-income families accessing technology, PCs for People offers these refurbished computers and internet service to qualifying individuals at a discounted rate.
- 4 **Support** PCs for People offers a digital literacy training program, a one-year warranty, affordable repairs, and phone support.

PCs for People currently has 3 Minnesota locations, and the organization serves people across the United States. Their impact has been great – their customers use the computes for career advancement, education, social connection, and healthcare. And with the recent distance learning, the demand for their services is high.

If you would like to help, PCs for People is always looking for donated technology, sponsors for distribution events, and volunteers.

Writer of the week: Greg Young

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"A person is a person no matter how small."

- Dr. Seuss

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU... HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

August 1......John Jacobson
August 1.....Rich McNamara
August 7.....Scott Mualler
August 12....Steve LaLiberte
August 17....Pam Bowers
August 22....Wayne Kazmierczak
August 27.....Art Hancock

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**

August 12: Team Rotary

Chairperson: Kevin Donovan and Jackie Reis

Classification: Jeff Otto Invocation: Bill Eaves Writer: Bob Timmons

August 19: David Yorks,

Kennedy Assassination-50+ Years Later

Chairperson: John Kenyon

Classification: None Invocaton: Art Hancock Writer: Darrell Stone

August 26: Trisha Kaufmann, Solid Ground

#### **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

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

Please note that program information may change with the new virtual meeting for-

mat...stay tuned!

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#### WBLROTARY TEAM MEETINGS— CURENTLY HELD VIA ZOOM

**BOARD MEETINGS:** Meets 4th Tuesday of each month, WBL City Hall. 7 a m

CLÚB 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 3rd Thursday 7 a.m. Anchor Coffee 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

#### 2020-21 Officers/Directors

- Ríta Pechmann

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Club Service ..... Chuck Sandstrom

.Pam Tschída

Membership ......Jim Hunt

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