

## 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



### **SEPTEMBER 21, 2022**

PROGRAM: Rural Healthcare in Sierra Leone

CHAIR: Carol Nelson

CLASSIFICATION: None

INVOCATON: Art Hancock

WRITER: Jackie Reis

SPECIAL NOTE:

with Rotarian friends.

NEXT WEEK'S ROTARY MEETING WILL BE HELD AT ROTARY NATURE PRESERVE

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Hybrid meetings are held on Wednesday a.m. 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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS #IMAGINE ROTARY

**President Bob** shared the #Rotary happening of the week: Cornwall Sunrise Club in Ontario partnered with the Mohawk Nation of Akwesasne; helping with takedown of event. Akwesasne mean "Land where the Partridge drums."

Ashley Filipovich on Taste of WBL: Thank you to all volunteers. Good feedback on food, drink, Ticket sales \$20,800; Sponsorship: \$31,000; Cork Pull over \$2000

**John Jacobson from Pine Tree** – great event and their family is very happy to sponsor. Perfect weekend. Thank you to all.

**Leo Schuch:** Phase one of pollinator garden at Rotary Nature Preserve was scheduled this past weekend. Thanks to all who volunteered.

Update from **Tim Wald** on the Youth Exchange student from Japan, Koya Matsuda. He is adjusting very well.

Rotary Brochure is available now!

## **WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER:**

Ben Krupowicz

Ben and his wife moved back to WBL and joined Leadership Tomorrow program where he met many people and learned about Rotary. He is a retired Business Consultant.

# PROGRAM NOTES FROM 9/14/22: "We See Each Other"

"Imagine a world where every child can see themselves in the pages of a book"

#### Program: Jackie Reis, Molly Lee and Jean Oswald

"We See Each Other" is a project collaboration between the WBL Rotary Equity and Inclusion Committee and the schools in WBL and Mahtomedi. The name evolved from "I see me," to "I see you," then finally "We See Each other."

Purpose: to insure that more inclusive and diverse books are available in our area schools and to bring diverse authors into our schools. Rotary has a strong commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. (Rotary's statement available at https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/diversity-equity-and-inclusion)

The idea for this project started when Justice Alan Page spoke at our Rotary Club in Feb. 2021. Kevin Donovan purchased several of his children's books and gave them to Wildwood Elementary (Mahtomedi). The E and I committee began discussions and met with local educators including media specialists to develop this project.

The We See Each Other project raised funds of \$15,000 from a variety of sources including the WBL Rotary Foundation, Rotary E and I committee, Greater WBL Community Foundation, White Bear Lake Area Educational Foundation, Vento scholarship foundation, Premier Bank and individual donors.

The funds are distributed to the schools:

WBL Area Schools: \$12,000: \$9,000 for books, \$3000 authors visits;

Mahtomedi: \$3000; \$2000 for books, \$1000 for author visits

(See next page for more information on this program)

#### STRIVE RACES

Run for the Apples
Saturday, October 22, 2022
5 mile, 1/3 mile kids fun run
Held at Jacobson's Pine Tree Orchard
in White Bear Lake. Course is on the
trails through the orchard, strawberry
fields and pumpkin patch. \$35-45 registration includes long sleeve event
t-shirt.

Kowalski's STRIVE 10 Miler & 5K Sunday, November 5, 2022 10 miles around beautiful White Bear Lake or 5K

\$25-\$35 registration includes long sleeve event t-shirt

Contact Dale: dale@grambush.com



#### PROGRAM FROM MEETING OF 9/14/22:

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Molly Lee, Media Coordinator -WBL Elementary Schools, expressed gratitude for the funds and the opportunity to celebrate the diversity of our students. These books help children develop empathy, learn about others and promoted inclusion, so every human is seen and valued. When children do not see them in literature, they learn they are devalued in society. Diverse children authors encourage children to dream big, with author Kao Kalia Yang as an example.

Jean Oswald, Mahtomedi Secondary Media Specialist and former English teacher, stressed the impact that literature has on students. Having more choice of books helps to develop lifelong readers. Children self-select for independent reading and need a wide variety of literature to see each other, to see themselves and to develop empathy. Having diverse authors come in has a big impact on children. This follows the school's strategic plan of inclusion, empathy and finding joy. The impact of this project will be lifelong.

Question: What is the genre or mix of books; how do you decide which? Molly: We get to know the students and teachers first, then we look at resources and what students and teachers need. Jean: We use many sources to determine how to use the limited funds with multiyear planning, following the state standards in all areas.

Jackie and Kevin Donovan recognized and gave books for the schools to the following representatives from the schools: Chris Oji, Julie McCraw, Barb Duffrin, Kevin Donovan, Wayne Kazmierczak.

#### Other notes:

Minnow Tank will be coming this fall. Watch for upcoming information.

Willow Elementary also has a reading buddies program and is looking for volunteers. Once a week, for the school year. Training is in October. Contact Leigh Anderson at Willow: leigh.anderson@isd624.org

Kevin Donovan: Need for graphic calculators in the schools. If you have any used TI 84, 89 or TI Plus; contact Kevin.

Jackie recognized and thanked the E and I team.

## Writer of the week: Carol Nelson

#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall."

- F. Scott Fitzgrald

#### ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

- $\Rightarrow$  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:** 

September 28:

PROGRAM: Off site meeting at Rotary Park Connie Taillon, Rotary Nature Preserve **Habitat Project Field Trip** 

CHAIR: Bob Timmons INVOCATION: Bill Rust WRITER: Mark Sather

October 5:

PROGRAM: Brent Peterson,

St Croix Historical Society, on Bud Fowler,

black baseball icon CHAIR: Bob Timmons

CLASSIFICATION: Curt Akenson **INVOCATION: Steve LaLiberte** 

WRITER: Jim Rathburn

October 12:

PROGRAM: Meg Robertson & Abby Roza **Library Services & Equity for Ramsey** 

**County Inmates** CHAIR: Bob Timmons

CLASSIFICATION: Kate Andersen

INVOCATION: Rich Ramsay

WRITER: Dick Galena

October 19: Keith Henry, HIV Research Project October 26: Sif Jensen, Human Library Project

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5 P.M.

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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

EQUITY & INCLUSION TEAM: Meets first Friday, 8:30 a.m.. FUNDRAISER TEAM: Meets immediately following Wednesday meet-

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE TEAM: Meets 2nd Thursday of

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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