



*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)*



May 19, 2021

Program: Club Engagement and Planning

Chairperson: Mike Lovett

Classification: None

Induction of New Members:

Jeanne Hartle and Kate Christopher

Invocation: Steve Griffith

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 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/1lpN_Oh77b2fViH8x_hfT1t1JoHt-e0c7?usp=sharing

WBL Rotary Club Celebrates 5:01:

Join with fellow Rotarians on Friday afternoon, May 21st at 5:01 p.m. to celebrate reaching the 100 mark in membership. West Park, 2350 11th Street. This is a great end of the week opportunity for relaxation, conversation, laughs and fellowship. BYOB and join other club members welcoming the weekend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Taste of White Bear Lake: Any ticket money is to go back to **Pat McFarlane** or **Ken Baltzer** only. Fund-raising continues to go well. Connect with **Darrell Stone** or **Jim Rathburn** if you are interested in sponsoring at the club level of \$250, which includes two tickets.

100-member celebration: Please RSVP to **Pam Tschida** about the celebration May 21 at West Park. Expect some prizes and surprises, said **Chuck Sandstrom**.

Cooking with Kenny G: Another opportunity to work on cooking skills through Mr. Galloway and his program with Arden Hills Rotary. The focus is grilled foods: 6:30 p.m. May 19, \$25 to participate. See Ken for more details and registration.

Club engagement: Prepare yourselves for May 19 meeting. Our program will focus on the club members talking and facilitators listening about what members want, your thoughts about our future.

Lake Links project update: **Mark Sather** reported on the painting, bolting, cutting and drilling, and said more painting is needed, as well as moving trusses to the job site. Stay tuned, and connect with Mark if you are interested in helping.

Rotary 101 and the Foundation

Curt Akenson gave a good, helpful overview of how money works in our club and the Rotary Foundation. Essentially we operate with two buckets. Our dues and breakfast money goes to administrative costs for our club and the district. Income from fund-raisers like the Taste of White Bear Lake run through the Rotary Foundation and its status as a 501(c)3. Our club board with advisement decides how to allot those monies. Any club member giving to the foundation is voluntary, and we can get some of those dollars back through grants for our own projects. "The best way to think about the foundation is that it is another global foundation that does a lot of good things," said Curt. Ninety-two percent of money received goes out to projects: water, peace, world food supply, immunization.

Curt also went through the website and talked about the importance of setting up a personal MyRotary account that will help track giving and other things.

PRIZES AND SURPRISES

Come Celebrate!

Our White Bear Lake Rotary Club has reached the 100 mark in membership!

Come, raise a glass and socialize with your fellow Club members to recognize this milestone.

May 21st at 5:01 p.m.

at West Park

2350 11th Street

White Bear Lake, MN 55110

As always, 5:01 is BYOB

Please RSVP to Pam Tschida

At pamt1716@icloud.com

(Name, phone and number attending)

Special Friend of White Bear Lake Rotary

Effiom Whyte

Past President, Rotary Club of Kingston

announces

Virtual Book Launch

Sunday, May 30 @ 5 p.m.

"Eyes On The Prize—From Soaring the Skies to Elevating Communities"

Note: Effiom will be the speaker for our WBL Rotary meeting program on June 30th.

Irina, who recently joined the club with her husband, Richard, spoke about foundational leadership models she's learned in pursuing her Ph.D and also running a consulting and strategic planning business, Hue Life.

Irina grew up in a tightly controlled Soviet system, where those systems became ruling groups of the country in a criminal way. The situation begged questions about what she was experiencing in the United States. How are communities organized here, she thought in the early 2000s. Richard, as city manager, gave her access to some answers. She started meeting with businesses and corporations. Out of that came another question: is leadership the same or different depending on where a person grew up or is it the organization itself?

She had more discussions about non-hierarchical structures and shared governance. That had positive and negatives responses.

How does leadership occur in a multistakeholder, loosely coupled system? She said she sees threads of this concept in Rotary, where membership is voluntary and order relies on members to servant-lead.

She worked on coming up with definitions. Leadership, she found, isn't a person but an idea. She verified that a loosely coupled system is better than hierarchy because it is better than vertical, top-down. Her research led to forming nonprofits and getting points of view on leadership. Hue Life, her company, is based on a loosely coupled system formed out of many questions and gathering of data by Irina.

She found that just such a system is effective because it brings passionate people around an idea with new embers and stakeholders getting onboard. The system has a balance of self-interest and shared interest. Within that people are asking, what is the purpose? what is the corp group? in trying to understand how things are done.

Inviting those passionate people aboard is vital to harnessing the power of shared interest and ideas, she said. Shared power is a key to holding a loosely coupled system together. There also are pillars, like accountability and responsibility within that framework. Members need to be selfless and self-aware so they can lead. Humility and drive are common characteristics, too, to exist within the system.

Leadership isn't a single thing — it's people coming together and starting with the 'we,' bringing order to the chaos. Humility is vital. Successful systems will pay attention to the passions of their member and a worthy cause at the center of their collective work.

Writer of the week: Bob Timmons

“Don’t ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive and go do it. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.”

- ⇒ 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?

**May 26: Ann Labovitz, Artist Practice:
Community and Beyond
Chairperson: Pat McClernon
Classification: Bob Gehrke
Invocation: Steve LaLiberte
Writer: Dick Galena**

**June 2: Greta Grosch,
Being an Artist During Covid
Chairperson: Pam Bowers
Classification: Rebekah Hagstrom
Invocation: Bill Eaves
Writer: Jim Rathburn**

June 9: Scott Schulz, President, Water Gremlin
Chairperson: Jeff Otto
Classification: Mike Lovett
Invocation: Bill Rust
Writer: Mark Sather

June 16: Rick Heidick, Fast for Hope
June 23: Sue Paget, Rotary Action Group for Family Health
June 30: Effiom Whyte, Kingston Jamaica, Eyes on the Prize

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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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