



"ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD"

Spoke 'n Wheel

The Weekly Broadsheet of the Winter Park Rotary Club

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Firewood sale: While the cooperative effort with the Women's Club to peddle a trailer load of firewood only netted \$144 for the home team, the value of the fellowship justified our members' participation. From 7 in the AM when the President dropped off the wheel barrow until one in the PM when he returned to retrieve it, Rotaract and members of the Women's Club interacted with WP Rotarians to deliver chunks of timber. It is not going to be hot forever even if it seems that way. For a modest donation, my home will not require outside sources of heat. Fuel for the fireplace now sits in the garage in amount adequate until June 1, 2021 when summer reasserts itself. Between now and then, if history provides a dependable guide, Winter Park will enjoy cold spells justifying use of one's hearth.



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Ringing the Bell for Rotary

by President Bryan Thomas

The opening ceremony for the Olympics has nothing on Winter Park Rotary Club. The ritual ringing of a single bell by lead striker Jeffrey brings tears to one's eyes. If you look closely at him, you will notice his right side appears more muscular. That is not surprising. Proper hammering of our club's chime requires hours of practice. It is a mistake to think this artistic execution would be similar to baseball where switch hitters occasionally appear in the lineup – an increasingly rare event. Ambidextrous skill in this talent is simply unprecedented. Would there be any point in staging a Zoom session in the absence of this tear-inducing tradition? While nobody will ever match Jeffrey's devotion in mastering this art, prudence requires recruitment of an understudy against the unhappy event of his unavailability. If you have several hours a week to devote to the development of your percussive capacity, make your willingness known so instruction can be scheduled. There might even be funds for a Julliard scholarship. And so the meeting of October 26 began with Jeffrey doing his bell thing. Invocation tastefully invoked by Gary Brewer Pledge led by Jean Marie Fuhrman – without a script, purely reliant on memory.



Sentinel Editor in Chief to speak on November 2



Julie D. Anderson is Editor In Chief of the Orlando Sentinel and South Florida Sun Sentinel, two of Florida's largest newspapers. Julie assumed the top editorial job at the Orlando Sentinel in November 2018 several months after assuming the same position at the Sun Sentinel in Fort Lauderdale. Both newspapers are owned by Tribune Publishing.

Last year under Julie's leadership, the Sun Sentinel won the gold medal Pulitzer Prize for Public Service for its investigation into the failings before and after the Parkland school massacre. The Sun Sentinel was also a Pulitzer finalist for Breaking News.

Julie has worked at Tribune for 30 years, starting her career with the Sentinel in 1990. She grew up in Orlando and is a two-time graduate of UCF. She and her husband, Lars, have two grown sons and live in Winter Springs.

THE PRATHER CHALLENGE



David Prather’s challenge: he will match donations to Winter Park Rotary Charitable Foundation up to \$100 for every year of his membership which is one-quarter of a century or 25 years for those unable to make that calculation. Each \$100 earns a draw for a seat at the black tie Valentine’s Day dinner hosted by El Presidente.

If you want to be absolutely certain to show your significant other adequate dosages of affection during the height of the social and love seasons, put \$5k in the WRPRF to assure two seats at the table at the Temporary Center for Celebration of Love. Three members already took that step.

HOT TOPIC: IN PERSON MEETINGS

“When do we again meet live and in person?” A committee has been appointed to develop a detailed plan to recommend to the board within the next ten days. I share in the eagerness to return to business as usual but the stakes are too high to approach the challenge with anything less than laser focus on safety. Stand by for updates as decisions are made. In all likelihood the Zoom option will remain open to those uncomfortable in abandoning the assurance of self-quarantine.



ROTARACTORS STACKING WOOD



EVERYBODY HELPS

GUEST SPEAKER: CHANTELLA GRAHAM



Our guest speaker Chantella Graham is principal of a charter school, Orlando Prep. The notion of for-profit schools rubs some citizens the wrong way because funds otherwise heading for the public system are diverted. Others believe choice creates competition, a sure way to keep all schools' pencils sharp. Ms. Graham made her case for charter education in its ability to tailor curricula to students' individual needs. A lively Q and A followed. One thing learned: faculty credentials equal those of public school instructors. Mrs. Graham holds several degrees including a Master's degree in Taxation Law from Thomas Jefferson University. She declined to help your President with his tax return, referring him instead to H&R Block.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK Rosemary Maisenholder

Rotarian of the Week: Rosemary Maisenholder does not need to be asked twice to volunteer. She tends to put her hand up before she knows the task. Naturally, she appeared to put her shoulder to the wheel at the Great Firewood Sale. If you want to become Rotarian of the Week, do something useful and file an affidavit to that effect in triplicate with the District Office. Do not aspire to Rotarian of the Year. That has been spoken for long ahead of anybody actually being of service.



Ride 'em Cowboys and Cowgirls

Weekly apparel contest: Don't call them cowboys until you've seen them ride. Still, ownership of a conforming hat demonstrates an inclination to punch them dogies. Contestants included Kim Groves, Fred Jones, El Presidente aka King of the Cowboys, etc etc with a free entry in the 50/50 awarded to Rosemary for a hat with seniority.



ROSEMARY



WHITE HAT



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THE BANDIT



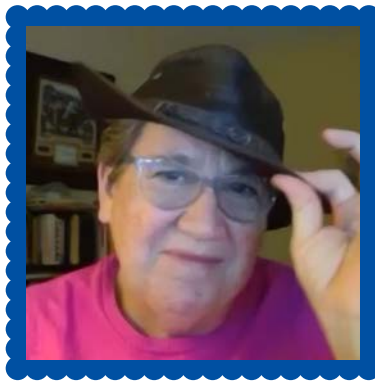
JOHN



COW GIRL KIM



BILLY THE KID



ANNIE OAKLEY

NEXT WEEKS COMPETITION: T-SHIRTS FROM A BAR OR RESTAURANT!! SHOW SOME SUPPORT FOR THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY BY REPRESENTING YOUR FAVORITE WATERING HOLE, BECAUSE THE WINNER OF OUR DRESS TO THEME COMPETITION RECEIVES AN ENTRY INTO OUR 50/50 RAFFLE!

Guest Appearance: Welcome Kelley and Andrew



Guest appearances by Kelly Klein and Andrew English. Kelley a guest of Steve Kramer and is an Winter Park Rotary Alum whose work brings her back to Winter Park and hopefully to the Club.

Andrew is a guest of Justin Levy. He wants to learn more about the community and thought the best way is to come to a Rotary meeting.

Introducing guests always feels like good news. The more citizens become aware of Rotary, the more likely recruitment will occur. ABR! Strength in numbers especially when the numbers are Rotarians

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SIXTY SECOND COMMERCIAL: RICHARD YOUNT

60 Second commercial: Richard Yount signed in from a rolling vehicle to reflect on the interaction between Boys and Girls Club and Rotary. For sure, Richard is a gift to both. It is easy to admire a person like Richard for whom service comes as naturally as taking the next breath. Next week: Jody Lazar. On deck: Jennifer Bloodworth.



No raffle drawing:
insufficient funds. Drop by the WPRC website to purchase entry in the 50/50 drawing. A bad financial decision for a good cause. \$5 puts you in the mix. The mix fuels Killarney Food Pantry.

Mickeys big hand pointed at seven, five minutes past the ideal quitting time. After a summary recitation of the abbreviated 4 Way Test - true, fair, kind, useful - Jeffrey drew it back, gave it a whack and allowed the peeling bell to signal conclusion of yet another Zoomer.



UPCOMING SPEAKERS

November 2nd: Orlando Sentinel - Julie Anderson

November 9th: Pandemic Impact on Business - Mark Kessler, President and COO of Kessler Collection Design & Development

November 16th: Investing in Unstable Times - Joe LaFleur, Multifamily Investment Advisor

November 23rd: The REP Orlando - Olivia DeMarco Senior Director of Marketing

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The Four Way Test
(updated)

- Is it**
- **TRUE?**
 - **FAIR?**
 - **KIND?**
 - **USEFUL?**

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