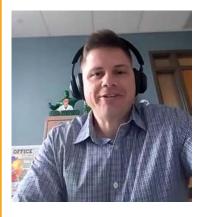
"ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES"



# Spoke'n Wheel

The Weekly Broadsheet of the Winter Park Rotary Club



# Dr. Damon Tanton speaks on Vaccines and Covid

Dr. Damon Tanton, endocrinologist with the Advent team, offered his insights including confident response to a number of questions. Can you take Moderna for the first shot and Pfizer for the second? (Not advised!) Do the current vaccines protect against the variants arriving right, left and center (probably but more information required). This program struck a chord for timely, useful and interesting. If you missed it, you are going to need to buttonhole your own expert with any questions. You missed a wonderful shot to ease your mind.

We all can all thank Marlene Linders, a mere Fireside Chat away from membership, and Lauren Cooper, Program Person Extraordinaire for bringing us the latest scoop on Covid.



Advent Health

COVID-19 vaccines are administered in accordance with CDC and state government guidelines. To be notified when additional vaccines may become available, register for alerts at www.CoronavirusVaccineAlerts.com.



#### FIFTY FOUR ZOOMERS!

Our highest Zoom attendance ever!!

It is only human nature to get spoiled by too much of a good thing. If you had to listen to Itzhak Perlman every Monday of your life, the time would surely arrive when you lost any sense of wonder at this virtuoso violinist strumming strings. And so it is with our chief chimer, our boss of the bell, Jeffrey Blydenburgh.

The key to a good strike is a combination of natural talent and constant practice. A meeting called to order in the absence of proper "clang" lacks the ceremony and dignity of an assembly girding themselves for Winter Park serious business. maintains Rotary Club ceremony and dignity as it pursues its agenda in the time of Covid with this tradition that resonates as clearly as the sound by which our weekly gathering is called to order. Having called the meeting to order with official dignity befitting the office of President, Gary Brewer then jumped into the spotlight where he offered an invocation and backed that up with a dramatic reading of the Pledge Allegiance.

Clyde King suggested choirmaster play today's selection: a video of the massed choirs and bands of all branches of the military knocking out "Star Spangled Banner". Good job Clyde and choirmaster. Anytime the professionals take over the singing, Kip Marchman breathes a sigh of relief and the rest of us patiently wait for the day when personal assembly allows us to raise our voices in perfect melody once again.



## February 15 Tiffany Ervin On Zoom Don't miss this one!

Tiffany Ervin is an award-winning spokesperson, keynote speaker and television/radio host. She brings professionalism, enthusiasm and inspiration through her presentations and interactive seminars.

As a social media influencer and brand ambassador, she help's improve Rotary organization's image through radio, television, print advertising, social media and public appearances.

She believes true happiness comes when you help others, and can often be heard saying, "Work is a four-letter word, but volunteer is not." Her goal is to help you "find your passion and make it your purpose."

### ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK: PRESIDENT BRYAN



Rotarian of the Week: A sure way to amass point for Rotarian of the Year is to grab weekly honors from time to time. This week's recipient was the star of the Membership Committee, the committee to which every single member of WPRC has been formally and permanently assigned. Two guests took a bow: Alex Uncein, a local banker who made his connection through RI, and Ryan Dodds, a local lad singlehandedly encouraged to look WPRC over by, I'm blushing, ME!

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

February 22nd: Peace and Conflict Resolution - Rev. Dr. Weaver Blondin

March 1st: Words from the DG of the Caribbean – Charles Sealy

March 8th: Hope and Healing Facility - Dr. Tucker, Director of Hope and Healing

March 15th: TBD

March 22nd: USTA National Campus - Brian Orminston

March 29th: Local News -

#### This Week's Guests



Ryan Dodds: I'm a guest. Invited by Bryan Thomas. Name is Ryan Dodds. Thanks.



Alex Uncein: I want to thank you for having me attend today's meeting. I took copious notes and have a lot of questions for you. I have to drop to attend another appointment I have but I would love to attend a second meeting as proposed by Jody in her follow up email. You all have a wonderful week!

## Club Business

Projects: Rotarians are "hands on" with the intention of bettering the community. Here's a current list of jobs to be done.

- 1. Killarney painting of vegetable boxes. Make your willingness known to Ann Clement for when this rocket lifts off.
- 2. Advent vaccination station needs helpers to shepherd folks through the process. You got a message inviting you but if you lost it, let me know by email and you will receive the information to get involved.
- 3. Valentine's weekend Salvation Army seven slots (5 to 8 Friday; 11 to 3 Saturday) will be filled and the handle reported. Thanks to Len Habas and Clyde King for building a relationship with Salvation Army and developing expertise for future trips to the Avenue to man the kettle.
- 4. Winter Park Playhouse on the 19th, time enough to take the hook out of your lip if you didn't make the mark on the 14th. WPRC committed to 28 seats at \$60 per. If you ever attended this theater, you know how great the shows are. If you haven't, get signed up asap to give yourself and a significant other a real fun night out. Curtain up at 730; wine and conversation flow in the café starting at 630. Purchase on the club website or call me at 407.342.2203 to reserve your seats so you can pay at the door.
- 5. Chili for Charity, a virtual presentation sure to tickle your taste buds, bubbles in the pot. Stand by for ways to support this fundraiser. With complete participation, this virtual event has the potential to bring in the biggest bucks yet to allow us to support all those 501c3's that make our town sensational. What WPRC does is significant. Everyone is invited to feel pride in having done their part in knocking it out of the park.
- 6. Prather Challenge and President's Club recognition remains on the back burner until eight or ten Rotarians in black tie can convene at the President's home for an evening of fine dining, perhaps an adult beverage and entertainment TBA. If you require more details on how to get involved, get over your reluctance to speak to a person so high up in the organization and ask me.
- 7. Annie Russell Theater desperately needs your sophisticated eyeballs for their Spring performances. These kids put on a great show as they learn the ropes of the trade. Give it a shot. I personally have always felt good after seeing what they can do at such a young age. Details have been provided but, if you are like me and cannot find them in the welter of emails, let me know to send it to you again.











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#### a socially distanced cleanup

volunteers needed to

clean-up litter in & around lakes listed above

pick up cleanup kit mon-fri | 8 a.m.-5 p.m. [thru March except January 18 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day] @ city hall | 401 s. park ave.

share your cleanup facebook | twitter | instagram #cleanYOURblock #KWPB #WinterParkFla

download the app

clean swell app record & share your cleanup collection

cleanup questions sustainability@ cityofwinterpark.org 407.599.3364

**cleanup kits** include safety vest, gloves, trash bags, map, instructions and a reusable KWPB bottle & bag









#### FRANK SALERNO: DEDICATED ROTARIAN

"Jim,

Thanks for letting people know my status. Just to give everyone an update, I've been admitted but haven't had an evaluation yet. My granddaughter installed zoom on my phone, so as long as I don't have a treatment at the time I'll be able to attend the meetings from here. Hope to see you all there!

Frank"

#### RAFFLE:

Raffle: not enough in the pot to run a 50/50. You aren't buying an expensive lunch every week during Covid days; use some of the savings to kick into the kitty to assure Killarney Food Pantry continues to save kids from hunger.

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

MARLENE LINDERS, lacking only Firesiding before full membership, was introduced by her sponsor (that would be the PRESIDENT) and BOB HARTNETT introduced RAMAN NADJAFI, a prime prospect. All other members of the Recruiting Team took the week off (that would be any member not mentioned in this paragraph).

## BE AN INSIDER!

The deadline for selection of new members to the board is, as is the nature of the passage of time, steadily moving closer. Get with it by making your interest in serving known. The board is not a burden. It sets the agenda for the club and teaches you "up close and personal" how all club responsibilities are assigned and accomplished. There is more to our organization than you might find about by attending weekly meetings. Directors are the real insiders.

## Who's Happy?



All celebrated the delirium of an older man leading a practically local team to a Super Bowl win over the favored Chiefs. Jan and Curley Bowman took a bow for 37 years of matrimony. Looks to me they are getting better and better at being married.

Congrats!

## From the Zoom Chat

Butch Margraf: OLD GUYS RULE! Tom Brady

Butch Margraf: Welcome Ryan

Jeffrey Blydenburgh: Hey Lania!! So glad you are here!!

Jeffrey Blydenburgh: 54 members. We have hit a new record in attendance

Lania: Hi all!! Glad to be back! I have been missing Fred!

Jody: Thank you Dr. Tanton!

Butch Margraf: Thank you to Duke Marsh, Ann Clement, Rick Frazee, Karen and Alex Gourlay, Butch, Bob Carrigan, and Dawn from Killarney for the work painting primer on the planter boxes last Saturday.

Jody: Congratulations, Bryan!

Jody: Great idea, Ann!

Jody: Congratulations Bowmans!

Lania: Congratulations!!!!

Ryan Dodds: Congrats!

Fay Dallas: Congratulations!!!!

Ali DeMaria: Wonderful Program. I have to jump off to go break one of my teachers :)

Thank you all for being such a great group! kklein: Congratulations Jan and Curley!!

Fred Jones: Shannon, thanks for all your've done for our club. We appreciate you. Don

Butch Margraf: Congrats Curley and Jan!

Fred Jones: Shannon, don't be a stranger. Take care.

Butch Margraf: Shannon, thanks for all your've done for out club.

Michael Baldwin: Thank you Shannon for all you have done for our club.

Holly Pohlig: I love the Spoke 'N Wheel. It's very well done. That said, email open stats

 $are\ not\ super\ reliable.$ 

#### A FEW LAST WORDS

Spoke 'n Wheel readership is not unanimous. Analytics reveal some of you fail to open it. Rotary keeps records of such things that all get taken into consideration when honors are being bestowed. Shape up! When you don't attend the weekly Zoomer, S 'n W is the next best thing to keep you abreast of what's ricocheting through the Rotary rhododendrons.

There being no additional business to come before the deliberations of the weekly virtual assembly, the President recited our unique four word four way test: "true, fair, kind, useful". The Boss of the Bell awoke with a start upon hearing his cue, banged with sufficient vigor to notify all concerned: meeting adjourned!

The Winter Park Day
Nursery led by director
and Rotarian Ali
DeMaria is one of the
ten finalists





#### **FEBRUARY**

5th: Shannon Baidenmann

7th: Fred Jones 18th: Jessica Parker 18th: David Collis 20th: Iane Munns

22nd: Jeffrey Blydenburgh

25th: Lania Crouch 26th: Nestor DeArmas

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#### **CLUB MEMBERS**

Backer, Debra Baidenmann, Shannon Baldwin, Mike

Bangs, Terry W.

Bartolomei, Matt Beck, JoAnn Behrle, John R. Blitch, Gordon H. Bloodworth, Jennifer Blydenburgh, Jeffrey

Bowman, Carter (Curley)

Bowman, Jan M.
Brenner, David
Brewer, Gary A.
Clement, Ann
Collis, David
Cooper, Lauren
Cornwell, Marguerite
Crouch, Lania Jane

Dallas, Fay

De Armas, Nestor M.

Culpepper, Diane B.

Deal, Mike

DeCiccio, Shelia Gupta

DeMaria, Ali Edwards, Ted Filliez, Tris Frazee, Richard C Fuhrman, Jean Marie Gourlay, Alex B. Gourlay, Karen Groves, Kim Habas, Leonard Hardy, James M. Hartnett. Bob

Hulslander, Donald Kurt Hurlburt, John C. Infantino, Thomas V. Jallad, Johnny Johnston, David A. Jones, Frederick W.

Hughes, John I.

Keena, Tony

King , Clyde Klein, Kelleigh Knight, Randy B.

Komanski, Deborah Jones

Kramer, Steve Lazar, Jody M. Leary, Steve Lemieux, Emily Lemieux, Peter Levy, Justin Mackey, Kirk

Maisenholder, Rosemary Manuel, William H. Marchman, Kenneth R Margraf, Wayne Marlowe, Michael L. Marsh, Duke McGann, James K. Morgan, Andrea Munns, Jane T. Neill, Rob Parker, Jessica Peters, Kathleen Pohlig, Holly Prather, David D. Price, Alan D. Prill, Larry

Rader, Robert Lee Roberts, Wayne P. Roesch, Clay Sacha, Thomas C. Salerno, Frank A. Sallee, Anne E. Sanghrajka, Natwarlal Shaheen, Dean

Sprinkel, Sarah Sullivan, Eugene Tabor , Christopher Terranova, Joe Thomas, Bryan M. Walker, William A. II Warner, Pitt Weinman, Richard Woodall, Woody

Yount, Richard

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