

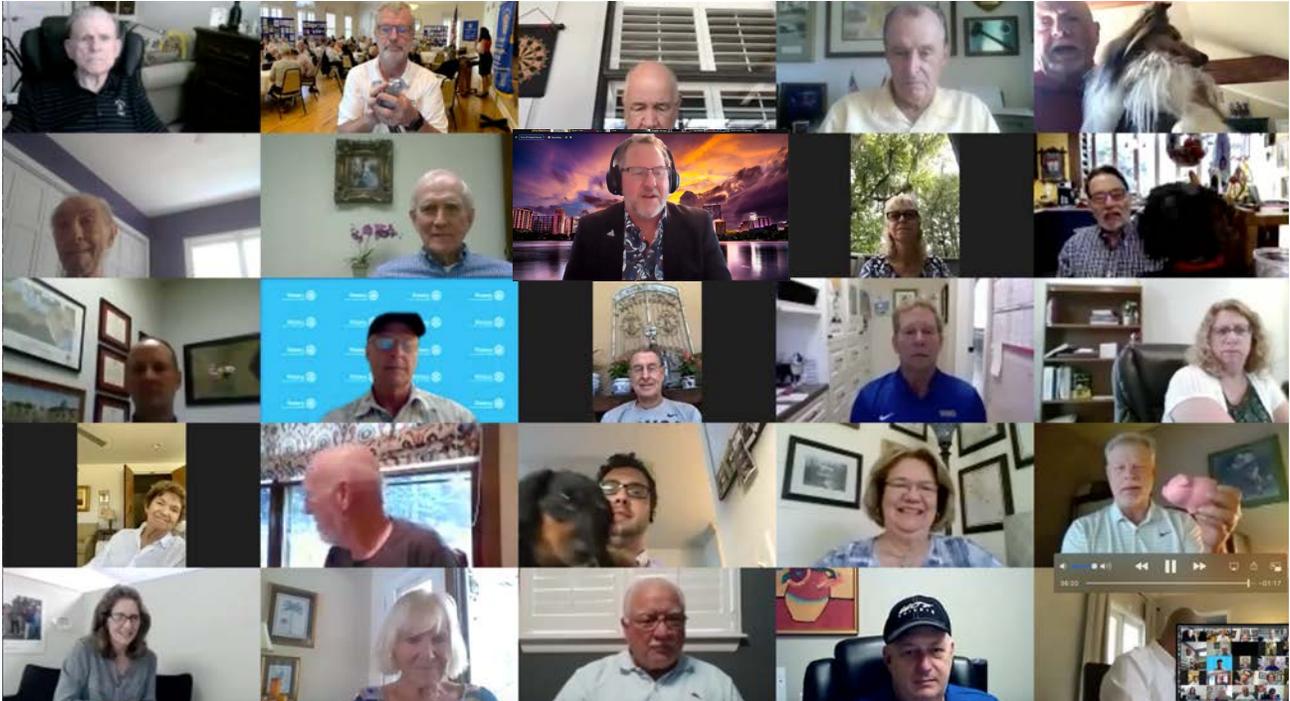


"ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD"

# Spoke 'n Wheel

The Weekly Broadsheet of the Winter Park Rotary Club

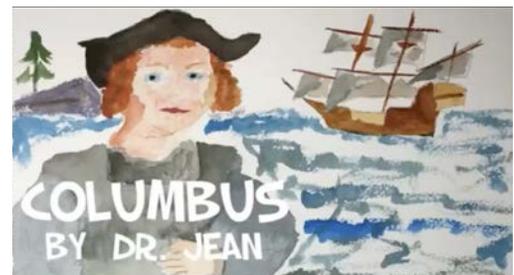
## The Opening Bell



by President Bryan Thomas

If Rotary International ever stages a contest for best opening bell, WPRC will sponsor Jeffrey Blydenburgh and his percussive skills in the expectation great glory would be showered on WPRC. In order to stay sharp for expected competition, Jeffrey drew back with full concentration, obtained a coiled and balanced position and delivered the manner of blow that would make any organization proud of alerting its members to the initiation of conduct of such business as might lawfully be considered. And having been summoned with crystalline clarity, the meeting was called to order by President and Rotarian of the Year Presumptive Bryan Thomas.

Gary Brewer invoked. The Pledge was pledged. Columbus Day music played. The program began.



**OCTOBER IS  
COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
MONTH**

# Doug Metzger Presents The Under I-4 Park



Doug Metzger from the City of Orlando rolled out the vision for utilizing I-4 underpass land for a major beautification and public use project called Under I. If you missed it, you missed one of the finest programs in years. Citizens behave with respect to their surroundings. The more beautiful the community, the more civil the outcome. This project will cost a ton but 2/3 of the funding is already in hand. If built according the conceptual plan, wow! I wrote Doug to ask if he had any particular suggestions for enhancement projects at the Fairbanks or Lee Road exits. While no response has been received, recognize how Rotary provides an on-ramp to public service. Lots of Winter Parkers want to pitch in. When you come across such a person, invite them to take a look at WPRC. Together we assure “extraordinary” continues to serve as an adjective appropriate to our city.

## 30 YEARS OF SERVICE



### 60 SECOND COMMERCIAL

While Past DG Joann Beck has done much for Rotary, Rotary has done much for her. She reflected on the gift of service over the years and her gratitude for an avenue of contribution.

Next up: Karen Gourlay with Jody Lazar as back up. If you have the commercial and cannot deliver, please advise so next in line can be locked and loaded.

**HELPING HANDS:** Our Club has raised \$1,250 for Hurricane Sally relief. The foundation matched \$725 of members' donations and the members shot past the minimum such that a check for is on its way to relieve suffering of fellow citizens.

A tip of the hat to **Fred Jones** for being the straw that stirred this drink. Without his leadership, maybe we send nothing and that would not be in keeping with the history of WPRC doing more than most any other club in the District.

**50/50 DRAWING.** At long last Justin's AI program could be applied to a sufficiency in the kitty. Congrats to Fred Jones who, based on past performance, will arrange for much - if not all - of this windfall to circulate through RI coffers.

### October 19 Speaker: Craig DeLongy



**CRAIG WILL** address Winter Park Rotary Club on Monday for about ten minutes regarding challenges for merchants on the Avenue, why to purchase "gentlemen's fine clothing" and such **TIMELY** other topics as feel timely to you.

Hope you will join our fellowship at noon next Monday. The Zoom counter needs to bump up to the 60's and 70's.

# GORDON BLITCH: ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK



Gordon Blich makes his contributions quietly. But he contributes significantly. I model my own behavior after his, never making a fuss over all my marvelous acts of selfless service rendered so regularly many find them easy to overlook.

Gordon's participation with Winter Park Playhouse assures the doors to this community treasure remain open (as temporarily adjusted by pandemic protocols).

## BETTER TOGETHER

OUTDOOR EVENTS HAPPENING  
IN WINTER PARK

**PLEASE WEAR A MASK**

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### West Meadow Wednesdays

5 - 7 p.m. - Next to the U.S. Post Office - Family activities, live music & outdoor socializing every week

<b>October 7</b>	<b>THRIVE Winter Park</b> <small>AAF Poster signing, beer garden, music and more. Details @ facebook.com/WinterParkChamber</small>
<b>October 14</b>	<b>UCF Pep Rally</b> <small>Come out and support Orlando's home team. Details @ facebook.com/WinterParkChamber</small>
<b>October 21</b>	<b>Best of Winter Park</b> <small>2020 winners announced live, beer garden and more. Details @ facebook.com/WinterParkChamber</small>
<b>October 28</b>	<b>Halloween Masks On Parade</b> <small>Halloween mask contest - ghouls and goblins. Details @ facebook.com/WinterParkChamber</small>

The City's Family Fun Coordinator will be on site to entertain your children so adults & kids, alike, can enjoy.

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### Movie Night in the Park

7:30 - 10 p.m. - Location varies - Required registration opens one week in advance. Use the QR code below.

<b>October 8</b>	<b>Frankenstein Meets the Wolfman</b> <small>Central Park. You must register in advance.</small>	 <small>Frankenstein Meets the Wolfman bit.ly/31qEdyu</small>
<b>October 22</b>	<b>Hocus Pocus</b> <small>Ward Park Fields East 1 &amp; 2. You must register in advance.</small>	 <small>Hocus Pocus bit.ly/33nn1Nq</small>

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### Music in the Park

6 - 9 p.m. - Central and Shady Parks

Attendees are encouraged to participate in the Curbside To-Go program to grab a takeout meal and picnic in the park with their family or a small group of friends.

Small musical performances at each location featuring local talent every Friday & Saturday night in October.

<b>October 2 &amp; 3</b>	<b>October 9 &amp; 10</b>	<b>October 16 &amp; 17</b>	<b>October 23 &amp; 24</b>
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#### Retail Row

8 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Winter Park Farmers' Market

Come out and support local retailers every Saturday at the Winter Park Farmers' Market.

<b>October 3</b> <b>October 10</b> <b>October 17</b> <b>October 24</b> <b>October 31</b> <b>November 7</b>	<b>November 14</b> <b>November 21</b> <b>November 28</b> <b>December 5</b> <b>December 12</b> <b>December 19</b>
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#### Sidewalk Sale

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Throughout Winter Park

Walk the city's shopping districts for outdoor sales. Second weekend of every month.

**October 9 - 11**  
**November 13 - 15**  
**December 11 - 13**

### MEETING LOCATION:

*Online via Zoom*

*October 19th:  
State of the Avenue – Craig DeLongy  
Board Meeting*

*October 26th: Orange County  
Preparatory Academy – Melody Gomez:  
Director of Student Services*

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## The Winners: Your Pets

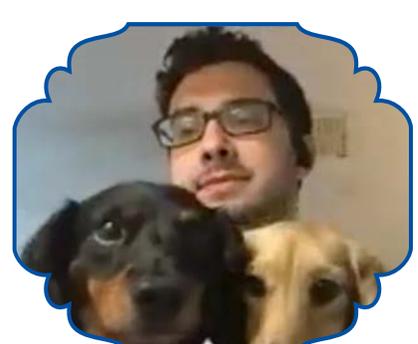
The winner of a free pluck would have been Justin with Robert Downey Jr. and Cameron Diaz, matching mutts, or possibly El President with Motown. But both of them are under audit for the raffle pool and temporarily disqualified. Hence the winners of a free pluck to the 50/50 are Rick with Toby and Peg with Sailor, in recognition of the fact that in all the excitement, they escaped my eagle eye. As you can see the quality of the zoom photo is very much impacted by everything!



TOBY



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ROBERT DOWNEY AND CAMERON DIAZ



MOTOWN



PINK PIG



JERICHO

### THEME FOR THE COMING WEEK: BUTTONS WITH A MESSAGE

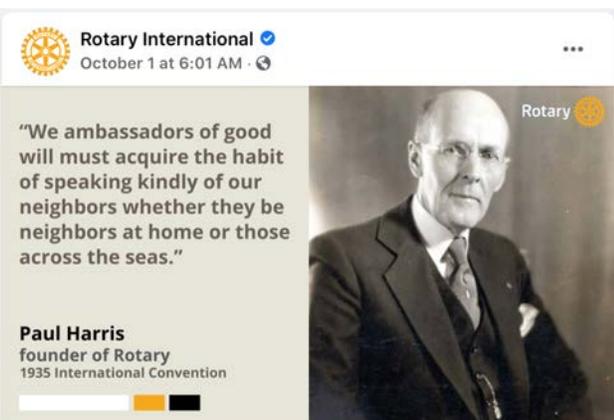
Next week's them: pin-on buttons with a message. I cannot find my "I Like Ike" badge but it must be around the house somewhere. Please avoid current political paraphernalia but, otherwise, get in the game. Pluckage most advantageous could come your way.



Promptly at or about 12:37 the meeting closed with recitation of the WPRC 4 way test: true, fair, kind, useful.

# ALWAYS BE RECRUITING!

Guests: Yes, we have no guests again today! ABR. If you don't recall, you are on the membership committee where your assignment is to "Always Be Recruiting".



## CLUB LEADERSHIP

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