

CLASSIFICATION: Debra Neutkens

Deb has been working for Press Publications on Bloom Avenue in White Bear Lake for 12 years and currently serves as editor of the White Bear Press. She is a University of Wisconsin graduate.

Press Pubs produces eight newspapers providing news that is local and intensely focused. The White Bear Press is their oldest paper, getting its start in 1896. They moved to Bloom Ave. in 1958. Gene Johnson bought the paper in 1969 and it has since been purchased by his son, Carter Johnson.

Deb says there's never a shortage of things to write about noting that it helps that reporters are professional eavesdroppers.

She met her husband of 36 years, Paul, scuba diving. They have a daughter and a son who is married and has a daughter. Her granddaughter will soon be 1. Both of their children are in the service and Deb is a Blue Star Mom. Blue Star Mothers of America is a private non-profit that provides support for mothers (and families) who have sons or daughter in active service.

The Neutkens are a scuba diving family. Her daughter competed by invitation in the Tough Mudder endurance event a few years ago in Hugo. Deb and her daughter share a passion for horses – Deb grooms them and her daughter rides them in competition.

STRIVE 2018 Race Dates

• **August 4, 2018**

Taco John's Run Baby Run
5 K 10K
8 a.m. start time

• **November 4, 2018**

Kowalski's STRIVE 10 Miler & 5K
Noon start

All proceeds from races go to the STRIVE Scholarship Fund.

REMINDER TO MEMBERS:

The Rotary fiscal year ends on June 30th. Please make sure all your financial obligations to the club and foundation have been paid before that date.

Also, if you need any check requests or project payments made, they must be submitted prior to June 30th.

Contact Marlyce Paulson if you have any questions!

**Program: Had Solberg/Jill Schroeder present
Anna Poulsen, YE-Denmark**

Anna expressed her gratefulness for the opportunity provided through the Rotary exchange. She had never heard of Minnesota before coming here. When she was 10 she learned about being an exchange student and decided that's what she wanted to do. She chose youth exchange for three reasons: loves to travel, enjoy meeting new people, and gaining independence. Many of her expectations of the US were unfounded although she did notice fellow high school students are not very knowledgeable about the rest of the world. She has been so positively surprised by the US she would come back in a heartbeat. In Minnesota, you can drive three hours in any direction and you're still in the US, speaking the same language, etc. In Denmark, if you drive three hours you are in a different country, language and culture. She loved her first ride on a big yellow school bus, noticed winter is much colder here, loved skiing (joined alpine ski team but a ligament tear cut short her competitive season), enjoyed the St. Paul Winter Carnival Ice Castle, attended several Super Bowl activities, and had an amazing trip to California (Hollywood, Catalina Island, Laguna Beach, etc.). Anna attended Camp RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) and met people with the exact same mindset about changing the world and getting along. The 16-year-old has been involved in the choir and music program at Mahtomedi High School and was selected for the Metro East Concert Choir. She enjoyed life on the lake -- jet skiing, paddle boarding, canoeing, kayaking, pontoon rides and swimming (it doesn't get this warm in Denmark). She attended Prom (they don't have anything like that in Denmark) and it was super fun. And she'll leave soon for a two-week East Coast exchange student trip. She'll start school about three weeks after she gets home and expects to take social studies and language classes. While she is still in general schooling, she wants to broaden her studies. Eventually she will focus on business class and minor in entrepreneurship. Anna may become a mentor for Rotary students coming to Denmark from the US. She thanked Rotary members and her host families. Some final thoughts: her favorite meal was not corn dogs, her biggest surprise was how huge the houses, cars and Costco are. Along with maturing a lot this year, she will miss Minnesota and everyone she's met and is expecting a little empty spot in her heart when she goes home.

Writer of the week: Cathy Wyland

**Rotary Club of White Bear Lake—
building friendships and improving lives through hands-on
projects in the White Bear area and around the globe**

Thought for the week:

*"A paradox is a contradiction in which
you take sides—both sides."
- Gregory Bateson*

**RI CONVENTION
TORONTO**

JUNE 23-27

UPCOMING MEETINGS

June 27: Dale Kurschner,
How To Tell What Is Fake News
Chairperson: Debra Neutkens
Classification: Randy Johnson
Greeters: Mark Burch & Marty Rathmanner
Invocation: Steve LaLiberte
Writer: Bob Timmons

July 4: NO ROTARY MEETING

July 11: PAI: Brandon Spears, Program Director
and Amy Dauplaise, Development Manager, “How
To Interact With People With Disabilities”
Chairperson: Chuck Sandstrom
Classification: Wayne Kazmierczak
Greeters: Chelsea Holmes & Ellen Richter
Invocation: Rich Ramsay
Writer: Dick Galena

July 18: James Olcott, Twin Cities
Trumpet Ensemble
Chairperson: Jim Rathburn
Classification: Stephen Kelly
Greeters: Steve Carlson & Jackie Reis
Invocation: Randy Johnson
Writer: Darrell Stone

FUTURE MEETINGS:

July 25: Brady Ramsay presents: Matt Halley,
Cookie Cart

August 1: TBA
August 8: Marty Rathmanner presents:
John Schweitz, BonafideU

At least three weeks in advance of your scheduled
date, please contact Jeff Otto:
Jeff.otto@opmpallet.com

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

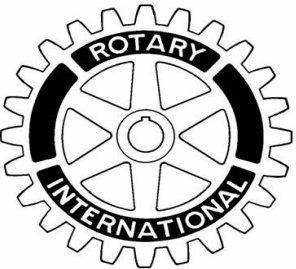
CLUB SERVICE COMMITTEE: Meets 2nd
Tuesday of each month, Eat @ Banning & 5th,
7 a.m.
BOARD MEETINGS: Meets 4th Tuesday of
each month, WBL City Hall, 7 a.m.
PUBLIC IMAGE COMMITTEE: Meets 2nd
Wednesday of each month before Rotary meet-
ing, 6:30 a.m. at Rudy’s
COMMUNITY SERVICE: Meets last
Wednesday of each month, 12 noon, Location
TBD
VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE: Meets 1st
Thursday of each month, Keys Restaurant, 7 a.m.
**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMIT-
TEE:** Meets 2nd Thursday of each month, Eat
@ Banning & 5th, 7 a.m.
FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE: Meets imme-
diately following Wednesday meeting (seasonal)

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Rotary Club of White Bear Lake
Chartered in December 1979

Meetings
Wednesday at 7:00 A.M.
Rudy's Redeye Grill



ANNOUNCEMENT

Thanks to all the volunteers and spon-
sors for the **Manitou Days Beach**
Dance. **Bill Foussard** reports
that paid attendance was down;
more kids under 10 attended; food
and beverage sales were up; it was
a fun night. Financial results will
be announced at a later date.

WBL Rotary is going to the Saints
game at 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday,
July 25th. If you would like to attend
please let **Chuck Sandstrom** know by
June 20th.

Peg Black has donation forms for the
Taste of White Bear Lake Silent
Auction.

Bill Foussard invited members to the
51st Manitou Days . It runs June 15-
July 5, with 70 events and includes
the Parade and Beach Dance on June
15th.

Guests include Mary Hoff, Mandi Vote,
Faith Bastion, Wayne Wyse, and host
families Sherri, Steven amd Sam
Clysdale and Mary Miles.

Welcome to new member **Jackie Reis**.

June 20, 2018

Greeters: Justin Bradshaw &
Jim Rathburn

Classification: The MN ReCyclery,
Lynn Kapaun and Jim Muellner

Invocation: Bob Gehrke

Writer: Mark Sather

Program: Rob Thomas presents:
Sara Zanussi, ComMUSICation

Song: Ken Baltzer

IN THE GOOD OLD SUMMERTIME

In the good old summer time,
In the good old summer time,
Strolling thro' the shady lane,
with your baby mine.

You hold her hand,
and she holds yours,
and that's a very good sign,
That she's your tootsey, wootsey
In the good old summer time.

