

Whitnall Park Rotary Club

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In Focus

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Calendar

- ◆ **Nov 4** 7 am. WSD Community Room. Hybrid meeting. DG Craig Burnett . **Rotary question** According to the October issue of *The Rotarian*, in addition to giving girls an education, what else did Deepa Williamham say we have to give? Special board meeting will follow the club meeting..
- ◆ **Nov 11** 7 am. WSD Community Room. Hybrid meeting. Speaker chair = Thorsen **Rotary question** According to the October issue of *The Rotarian*, Seventy-five percent of the world's plant species are dependent on what to survive? **Food Pantry Wednesday = Greenfield Salvation Army Food Pantry**
- ◆ **Nov 18** 5:30 Diamond Jim's. Hybrid meeting. Speaker chair = Dittloff. **Rotary question** According to the October issue of *The Rotarian*, an estimated 40 percent of COVID-19 infections are _____.
- ◆ **Nov 25** 7 am WSC Community Room . Board meeting
- ◆ **Dec 2** 7 am. WSD Community Room. Hybrid meeting. Club Assembly. **Rotary question**
- ◆ **Dec 9** 7 am. WSD Community Room. Hybrid meeting. Speaker chair = Olson. **Rotary question Food Pantry = St. Mary's Food Pantry (Hales Corners)**
- ◆ **Dec 16** Christmas wrapping party. Greenfield Salvation Army 4 p.m.
- ◆ **Dec 19:** Bell ringing for Greenfield Salvation Army at 76th St. Pick 'n' Save 10-6
- ◆ **Dec 23** 7 am WSD Community Room . Board meeting
- ◆ **Jan 6** 7 am. WSD Community Room. Hybrid meeting **Rotary question**
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MISSION STATEMENT

Serving and enriching our community through leadership and learning.



District Governor Craig Burnett

Come meet our District Governor and hear his message.

Not comfortable attending an in-person meeting, join us on ZOOM.

One Rotary Summit: Rotary Opens Opportunities

Nov 14, 2020 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Virtual meeting
Nov 17, 2020 6:00-8:00 p.m. Virtual meeting

How Membership, Public Image, and humanitarian efforts through The Rotary Foundation are connected and work together in Rotary. This year, we will explore these topics in the context of a pandemic world. We will work together to identify creative ways to achieve and sustain membership growth and retention, to increase Rotary Foundation giving and project engagement, and to build public image in our communities.

See District website (rotary6270.org) for registration information.

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Rotary International President: Holger Knaack <http://www.rotary.org/president/>

WHITNALL PARK ROTARY CLUB

*Serving Greendale, Greenfield,
Hales Corners & Muskego*

PO Box 62, Hales Corners WI 53130

Members

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| John Bennett | City Engineer |
| Kent Bieganski | Police Chief |
| Michael Breitbart | Air Cargo Sales |
| Dan Christianson | Funeral Director |
| Roger Clark | Insurance Sales |
| Terri Delke | Librarian |
| Tim Dittloff | Consultant |
| Kevin Drury | Automotive Service |
| James Helminski | Field Engineer |
| John Movroydis | Attorney |
| Kristin Murphy | Data Analyst |
| Michael Neitzke # | Municipal administration |
| Robert Nolan | Accountant |
| Lisa Olson | Education—Administration |
| Nickolas Pendzich | Banking |
| Robert Petri | Finance Director |
| Scott Schenke | Manufacturer's Representative |
| Kelly Thompson | Education — Administration |
| James Thorsen | Financial Advisor |
| Dan Weber# | Fire Department |
| Judy Weiss | HVAC Contractor |
| Thomas Weiss | HVAC Contractor |
| Scott Weyda | Education — Administration |
| Alex Yanez* | Corporate office administrator |
| Carolina Yanez* | Salvation Army |
| # Corporate member | *Corporate member |

Hybrid meeting

November 4

For ZOOM, log-in using your computer/
tablet/ digital telephone.

Connect information **TBA**

Meeting ID:

Passcode:

Or dial-in (audio only) 312 626 6799

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*Craft Fairs - Schenke & Petri
Nominations President elect, President, Past President

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Family of Rotary

*Baseball game —

*Changing of the Guard —

*Christmas party — -

*Play —

*Sunshine — J Weiss

District grant Weber, Nolan, Weyda, Delke

Internet officer/ Webmaster — Jerry Johnson (contract)

Membership —

Newsletter — Delke

Public Image — Weyda

*Facebook - Drury

Rotary Information — Bieganski

Programs (Speaker hosts & Offsite visits) — Weyda

ZOOM meeting host — Weber

COMMUNITY SERVICE Rob Petri petri.rjma@gmail.com 262-744-0900

Service projects

*Arbor Day Greenfield — Petri

*Bell Ringing— Petri

*Denoon Park bridge —

*PPE for CBRF — Weber, Delke

*Road clean-up— Breitbart

*Salvation Army supplies & shoes — Petri

*Stock Box assembly—Petri

*Truth House Christmas party— Petri

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Global Grant — Christianson

World Affairs Seminar —

VOCATIONAL SERVICE Tom Weiss 414-282-3377

Technical scholarships — Weiss

YOUTH SERVICE John Movroydis jgm@dewittllp.com 414-303-5579

Academic scholarships —

Students of the month —

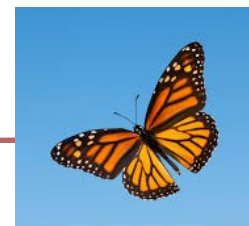
WPRC Foundation Jim Helminski jhelmi@att.net 262-210-7815.

Brick Sales (WPRCF)— Helminski, Thorsen

Newsletter comments/ suggestions/ additions to
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WPRC October Board meeting highlights

- Now that we're having regular, in-person meetings, each member will be billed \$6 per meeting to cover food expenses.
- Polio Plus collection from members: \$210
- Eliminate the Dec. 16 club meeting at Diamond Jim's in favor of a service project meeting.
- Sojourner Truth House Christmas party: will be presents only; no food, no gathering. Salvation Army of Greenfield has the presents for both mothers and children. We will have a wrapping party on December 16 at 4 pm Will ask club members to donate a \$20-25 gift card for a store near Sojourner Truth House.
- Bell ringing for Salvation Army: Pick 'n' Save (76th St in Greenfield) December 19 from 10 a.m.—6 p.m. It will be a competition with the West Allis club who are bell ringing at 108th St. Pick 'n' Save.
- Thanksgiving and Christmas food boxes: Salvation Army of Greenfield has raised the money for the food . We will help with the drive-through distribution, as we did with the school supplies.
- Hales Corners Pool funding request from Don Schwartz: deny the request at this time of a tight budget
- Club Christmas Party is postponed until Valentine's Day in the hope that the COVID-19 restrictions will be lifted by then. There will be a fund raiser auction and each member will cover their expenses.
- Audit Committee has reviewed the books and reports that everything is A-OK and spiffy.
- School liaisons will meet Nov. 6.
- Rotary Circle: more bricks will be installed this Fall.



MONARCH BUTTERFLIES

Depending on the year, between 7 and 14 colonies of monarch butterflies overwinter in Mexico. Partly because of habitat loss — caused by illegal logging in Mexico's Monarch Butterfly Biosphere Reserve; by modern agricultural practices in the United States and Canada, where corn and soybeans no longer share space with milkweed plants; by climate change; by pesticide use on farms and in residential and commercial landscapes; and by urban sprawl and other development — numbers have dropped from an estimated 682 million of the insects in 1997 to 59 million last year. The western monarch population, which migrates primarily within the state of California, has fared even worse, with 29,000 remaining, down from a population of 4.5 million in the 1980s.

For monarchs, that habitat must include milkweed, the only plant monarch caterpillars will eat, and therefore the only plant on which the butterfly will lay eggs. In North America, there are more than 100 species of milkweed, a tough plant that can grow in many places: pastures, prairies, gardens, roadsides, and wetlands. Other native plants provide the nectar that nourishes the butterflies themselves. Ensuring that all the plants monarchs require are available where they need them will take a coordinated effort. In 2017, in a paper published in the journal *Environmental Research Letters*, researchers noted that "the eastern migratory population of monarch butterflies declined by more than 80 percent within the last two decades." They estimated that restoring "more than 1.3 billion stems of milkweed to the Midwestern United States will require participation from all sectors of society." That includes municipalities and other government entities, businesses, industries — and homeowners, Caldwell says. "Whatever people can do in their backyards is an important part of the solution."

Fortunately, the same native plants that help monarchs also help bees and other pollinators. "Monarch habitat benefits a lot of things," says Caldwell. "Pollinator habitat is essentially about the plants and the ecosystem they support. Native plants support a higher diversity of insects, which feed the birds, which feed the other wildlife. It's all about the ecosystem. Monarch habitat is wildlife habitat, as opposed to lawns or monoculture crops."