



If You Missed the Meeting...



... on Wednesday, August 26, 2026, **President-Elect Rich**, in the absence of President James, promptly opened our meeting at 7:10 a.m. Our Greeter this morning was **Kathe**. **Frank** arrived early to do the room setup, **Tami** did a great job with the A/V/ setup.

Eric, our Rotarian of the Week led us in the Pledge. **Kevin** presented a very meaningful inspiration. **President Elect Rich**, being on top of things, jumped right in and asked members to introduce guest at their table.

President's Announcements:

- **President Elect Rich** welcomed all who joined us live and who logged in via Zoom this morning.

Other Announcements:

- **Loren**, our Secretary of the Treasury at the World Headquarters building of the **EarlyWord** Communication and Financial Groups, reminded us that we need to get our [1st Quarter 2026-27 dues paid](#) as soon as possible. Do it now! Click the QR code here:
- **Lori** discussed the upcoming roast fundraiser, with plans to organize tables for members and their significant others.
- **Barb** talked about the Public Library System's **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** event on September 19th.
- **Bill** announced service projects including a booth at the Westy Fire and Westminster Police open house on September 26th. He also circulated the sign-up sheet for volunteers to staff the booth at the Westy Fire and Westminster Police Open House on September 26, 2024, and asked for volunteers to staff the Imagination Library table at the Public Library System's 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten event on September 19, 2024
- **Lori** passed the Silent Auction cup. To date we have almost \$650 in the account.
- **Loren** presented Past President Doug the annual compilation of the **EarlyWord** newsletters. Doug will now be able to look back at his very successful year at the helm and remember all the great moments.
- **Gary** provided an update on the Imagination Library program, reporting 10,284 enrolled participants and 13,383 graduates for a total of 23,667, and mentioned recent media coverage and donations. He also shared information about donating to the Westminster Rotary Club Foundation in honor of Dolly Parton and Imagination Library, directing donors to <https://www.westyrotary.com>.
- **Brian** Encourage members and their significant others to sign up for the Roast to fill Rotary Club tables



Our program this morning was a highly informative presentation by **Theresa Mazza** who gave us some insight about the **Mirror Image Arts** which helps troubled kids find clarity in their lives through acting.

Sherri, our Sgt. at Arms this week, made some sizable extractions from the very energetic, Rotarians who attended the meeting. Don't forget, you can visit any of the Rotary clubs in our area and around the world. Get the app, **Rotary Club Locator**, for your smart phone from any app store.

Eric was extolled by **President James** who thanked him for being an important member of the Westminster Rotary Club and who has shown us the Service Above Self motto. His prolific profile as the Family of Rotary Rotarian can be found on the front page of the Bemis award winning, Frameable, Ineluctable, **EarlyWord** newsletter which can be found on our web site at : <https://www.westminsterrotary.com>. Scroll to the right just under the home page banner and click the link.

Wayne gave us a short Rotary Moment about attending the International Convention in Barcelona.

Rich had a Thought for the Day: **It's National Golf Day**.

We closed the meeting right on time with a rousing rending of The Four Way Test.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Loren, Missed the Meeting Editor
The Westminster Rotary Club



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