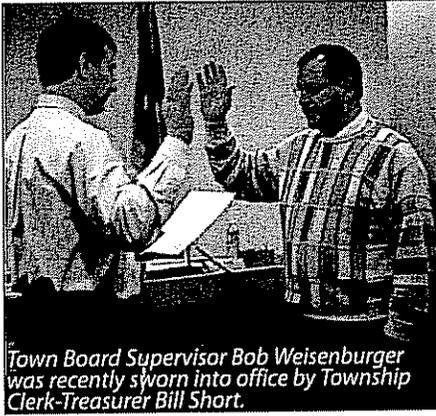




White Bear Township Report

Weisenburger Wins Township Election



Town Board Supervisor Bob Weisenburger was recently sworn into office by Township Clerk-Treasurer Bill Short.

During the March 14 Township Annual Meeting, residents re-elected Bob Weisenburger to serve another three years as Town Board Supervisor; approved a \$2,895,000 preliminary 2007 property tax levy; recognized Township citizens for their heroism; and

scheduled next year's Annual Meeting for March 13.

Guest speakers included Ramsey County Attorney Susan Gaertner; Ramsey County Commissioner Tony Bennett; State Senator Mady Reiter; and Ramsey County Sheriff Bob Fletcher.

"White Bear Township is one of the safest communities in the world," said Fletcher.

In a resounding victory after a contentious political race, Weisenburger defeated his opponents in all precincts, capturing a full 69% of the Township's vote.

"I'd like to thank my supporters and the people of the Township for their support of me," said Weisenburger. "because that's what the Township is ... the people."

Election Results

Bob Weisenburger
749 Votes

Mary Lynn Spolar
305 Votes

Dennis Jorgenson
30 Votes

Other
3 Votes



Heroes Honored At Annual Meeting

Thirteen people received Citizen Recognition Awards for their acts of heroism in White Bear Township. Ramsey County Sheriff Bob Fletcher (far right) and Undersheriff George Altendorfer (far left) presented the awards on behalf of the Township's Public Safety Commission. The first recipients of the award (top photo) were Mike and Mary Jane Turnbull and Gwen Rogne (not pictured) whose alert observations and prompt notification of law enforcement led to the apprehension of burglary suspects.



The second recipients of the award (bottom photo) were Cathy and Casey Gjerde; Todd Gorr; Luke Dressel; and Dan Duffy, who put their own lives at risk by helping a man who had fallen overboard in Bald Eagle Lake. During the course of the rescue, the man's unoccupied boat circled uncontrollably in the water nearby. It was later determined that the man suffered a heart attack. Though he did not survive the heart attack, it was comforting to his family that he was not alone and that such caring and courageous individuals were there to help him. RCSD Water Patrol Deputy Mike Norstrom was also commended for courageously jumping from his boat into the victim's boat to turn the motor off.



The third recipients of the award (middle photo) were Brett Cuornoyer; Chris Begnaud; Michael and Dalton Friedeck; and Kelly Breemersch, who attended on behalf of her husband Brad; for their keen observations and quick and courageous response in rescuing two adults and a child whose boat had capsized on Bald Eagle Lake. All recipients received plaques honoring their heroism.

Sheriff's Department Model in Efficient Policing

Beginning July 1, a second traffic enforcement car will be added to White Bear Township and neighboring contract communities.

White Bear Township is one of seven communities that contract with the Ramsey County Sheriff's Department for policing services.

Other contract communities are North Oaks, Vadnais Heights, Shoreview, Gem Lake, Little Canada and Arden Hills.

"Relying on a single law enforcement agency to serve approximately 70,000 residents is cost effective without compromising safety," said Township Clerk-Treasurer Bill Short. "In addition, Ramsey County Sheriff's Department performs at a very high standard of professional law enforcement."

Relying on the economy of scales, the contract communities are able to share the cost of police administration, investigation, communications, equipment and patrol stations in a more financially efficient manner than if they had their own police

departments.

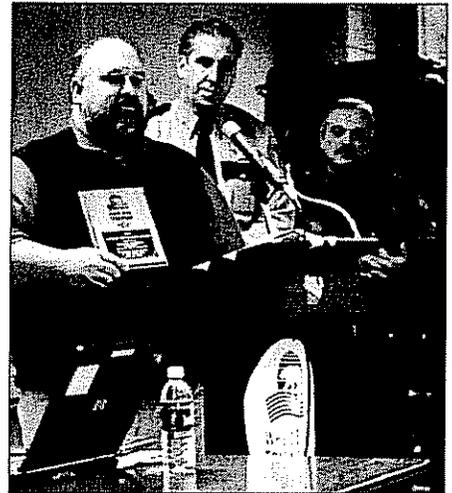
There is also a need for fewer police officers per capita in the contract communities because of the shared expertise and training beyond that which could be expected from a smaller department.

Officers policing the Township are in contact with the entire Sheriff's Department on a daily basis and can immediately pull resources together if an emergency arises.

Due to its cooperative relationship with its neighbors, White Bear Township is also able to benefit from the Sheriff Department's specialty services such as D.A.R.E., Crime Prevention and Traffic Enforcement.

The Township has had 24-hour patrol coverage since 1991, with two patrol cars dedicated solely to the community and a third shared with neighboring North Oaks.

"My family and I live in White Bear Township," said George Altendorfer, Division Commander of Ramsey County Sheriff's Department Patrol



During the Town's Annual Meeting, Michael Friedecks talked about the day last summer when he and four other boaters rescued two adults and a child whose boat had capsized on Bald Eagle Lake as Sheriff Bob Fletcher and Deputy Norm Thurmer, Jr. listened.

Operations. "I am a user in the system and trust my 'family's' safety to living in the Township."

For more information, call Undersheriff Altendorfer at (651)266-7308.

Other Township News

- **Watering Restrictions.** White Bear Township continues to observe its year-round water restrictions. Watering may be done by residents living at **even-numbered addresses** on **even calendar days**, 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Those living at **odd-numbered addresses** may water on **odd calendar days**, 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Property owners found in violation of these restrictions could be subject to a \$40 fine. If you have new sod or seed, you may get an exemption from the restrictions by calling the Township Office at (651)747-2750.
- **Election Judges.** The Township is looking for residents to serve as election judges. Election judges are paid an hourly rate. Individuals must be 18 years or older and eligible to vote in that precinct. If interested or for more information, please contact Judy Moll at (651)747-2759 between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or e-mail at judy.moll@ci.white-bear-township.mn.us.
- **Building Permits.** White Bear Township residents must obtain a building permit for home and property improvements valued over \$250. For more information, call the Township Office at (651)747-2750.
- **Peddler/Solicitor License.** No person shall conduct business as either a peddler, solicitor or transient merchant without first having obtained a license from the Township. Peddler/Solicitor License Applications are available in the Township Office. An individual wishing to obtain a license should submit a completed application a minimum of three weeks before the Town Board meeting preceding his desire to start doing business. Property owners may post a sign saying "No Solicitors" if they want to exclude them from their property. For more information, call the Township Office at (651)747-2750.

