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Absent Members: Burns, J., Helwig, C., Helwig, S., Olson, Orzechowski, Rasmussen, Webber, Wedig, K., Wedig, T., Witte

Students: Gabriela Giler (Exchange Student)

Happy Bucks: Pakkula, Bollig, Christian, Walton

Russ brought two of the Norwegians who are working at dismantling the Norwegian Stave Church at Little Norway. They are Rotarians Olav S. Kvaale & Oddmud Stenset. Olav's grandfather carved the Stave Church Door! Their club has 30 members (4 women) and was established 51 years ago. About 12-13 show up for meetings in the evening. Oddmud is the manager of the deconstruction of the Church. People who are here are volunteers. There is an estimated 4000 hours of work and they think they will be done in 2 weeks. Pictures of the project can be seen [here](#).



Foreign Exchange student Gabriela Giler introduced herself to the club. She is from Portoviejo, Ecuador. The official language is



Spanish and the currency is US

Dollar. She lives in the Pacific Coast Region of Ecuador. She talked about sports, foods, and the mountains. The weather in the mountains is between 60° and 75° dropping to 46° and 50° at night. Quito is the capitol with the nearby monument to the "Middle of the World" on the Equator. She showed pictures of beautiful cities, an active volcano, thermal baths and wild sports. The food of the mountainous region is not her favorite... she especially dislikes the guinea pig, which she called "like a rat". The Amazon region is a huge biosphere with small groups of indigenous people. The Galapagos Islands also belong to Ecuador.



Her city is about 250,000. Average temp is 77° all year long. She has 3 siblings. Her favorite place is the beach. She goes to a Catholic school and there are more than 1000 students. They wear uniforms. Her hobbies are reading, watch movies and learning.



Upcoming Meetings:

Sept 23rd, Tyler Kennicker

Sept 30th, Heidi Kopras

Oct 7th, Board meeting and Club Assembly

Greeter for September: McNall

Greeter for June 2016: Wedig, K.