

FOUR WAY TEST - Of the things we think, say or do: -Is it the TRUTH? -Is it FAIR to all concerned? -Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ? -Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# Change of Venue this Week

The club meeting this week (September 13) will be in the Garden Room at the Lowell Inn, <u>not in the conference center.</u>

### This Week's Program

This week Jill Shannon of the St. Croix Valley Foundation will be our speaker.

#### Last Week's Program

Last week the program was a Club assembly.

### **Upcoming Programs:**

Sept 20 District Governor

Sept 27 Scientific Innovation at 3M, Matt Scholz, Corporate Scientist

### Visit from District Governor Kovarik

This is a personal invite and reminder to all of you! Our District Governor, Joe Kovarik will be visiting our club next week, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>.

A piece of Joe's theme for his year as DG is IN"vest"ment in Rotary!!

To honor and recognize that, I am asking that all Rotarians wear a "vest" to club on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup>! It can be any type of vest. Leather, fleece, sweater, formal, casual, reflective, construction, whatever! As long as it is a vest! Sergeant-at-arms may even "fine" those not wearing a vest!

So, join in the fun and come in"vest"ed in Rotary on Sept. 20th! President Bob Fiselt

### Quote for the Week

One who understands much displays a greater simplicity of character than one who understands little.

- Alexander Chase

#### Weekly Newsletter Stillwater Rotary Club

Club 2171, District 5960

 Birthdays (9/9-15) Merilyn Cummings (9/9) Tim Stoddart (9/9) Doug Brady (9/13) Kathleen Elbert (9/14)
 Wedding Anniversaries

- (9/9-15) None this week
- Club Anniversaries
  (9/9-15)
  Ed Jones 7 yrs (9/15)
  Oree Robinson 7 yrs (9/15)
  Guests Last Week
- Guests Last Week
- Attendance last week 40 members (69.0%)

Note: All dates come from the Club website. If they are not correct, please let Bill Turnblad know and he'll correct your profile for you.

### **Officers**

President:	Bob Eiselt
President Elect:	Bev Driscoll
Vice-President:	Molly O'Rourke
Treasurer:	Keith Komro
Secretary:	Dolly Parker
Immediate Past Pres: Katie Rolf	

### <u>Meetings</u>

Thursdays @ 11:45 AM Lowell Inn 102 N. 2nd St, Stillwater, MN



## Miscellaneous

#### **Centennial Project Update**



The Stillwater Mayor and City Council invite you to a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Downtown Pedestrian Walkway. The ceremony will include mention of the major gifts that are a

part of the project's funding. This includes the Stillwater Noon Rotary Club's centennial project gift towards the new seating area.

If you are interested in attending the 30 minute ceremony, it will be held at 4:00 PM on Tuesday the 18th on the walkway.

#### **RI** Convention in Lisbon - Things to See

Less than 20 miles west of Lisbon, Portugal, Rotarians attending the 2013 RI Convention, 23-26 June, can take in dramatic views of the Atlantic atop rocky cliffs, relax on soft sandy beaches, and channel their inner James Bond in a casino town formerly known as a playground for European royalty.



Cabo da Roca, the westernmost point of continental Europe, is 10 miles down the coast from Cascais. The Cabo da Roca lighthouse, sitting high above the Atlantic, makes for a pretty picture at sunset. A stone monument dedicated by the Rotary Club of Sintra in honor of Rotary's 75th anniversary in 1980 is also perched cliffside.

The Algarve region, about 175 miles south of Lisbon, is a popular holiday destination among Europeans. Its towns offer breathtaking ocean vistas and pristine beaches, plus golfing and windsurfing.

#### **Rotarians Honored for Promoting Literacy**

By Daniela Garcia Rotary News -- September 4, 2012



Two Rotary clubs were honored September 7 at an <u>International Literacy Day celebration</u> in Washington, D.C., as the winners of the RI-International Reading Association-Pearson Foundation Literacy Project Awards.

A panel of Rotarians and International Reading Association (IRA) members gave the award to the Rotary Clubs of Rockford, Michigan, USA, and Salem, Oregon, USA, for demonstrating outstanding collaboration with local reading councils in their communities. Each club will receive \$2,500 for literacy projects.

"Teaching all children to read requires not only teachers who know how to reach every child but communities that value and support literacy," says Richard Long, director of government relations for the International Reading Association. "These two projects highlight the notion that it is a partnership that teaches reading: the community to provide the tools and to say it is important and the teacher to bring it all together for each learner."

The IRA is a professional membership organization dedicated to promoting high levels of literacy by improving the quality of reading instruction, disseminating research findings and information about reading, and encouraging a lifetime of reading. The IRA network comprises 70,000 members and more than 300,000 affiliate members in nearly 100 countries, including councils and affiliates at the local, state, regional, or national level.

Since 2002, Rotary and the IRA have combined their resources and skills as <u>service partners</u> to advance literacy in communities worldwide. Rotary clubs and districts are

encouraged to share resources and information with IRA councils and affiliates to develop cooperative literacy projects.

The Rockford club won its award for Reading Rocks, an annual reading festival that takes place in August. The club partners with the local reading council, school district, and library district for the daylong event, which includes live entertainment, a parade, and family activities that promote the importance of literacy.

Neil Blakeslee, 1988-89 president of the Rockford club, says that his community sees reading not only as a fundamental skill but as a way to enhance every aspect of an individual's life.

#### Making books for children

The Salem club was chosen in recognition of a bookmaking project for schoolchildren in Santa Avelina, Guatemala. With the help of the Vineyard Valleys Reading Council, volunteers from both organizations put together children's books for The William M. Botnan Experimental School, where all 130 elementary students speak Cozal Ixil, a Mayan language. The project is an effort to preserve culture through the indigenous language, which is not recognized or taught in public schools.

Jayne Downing, a member of the Salem club, says the club's Youth Literacy Committee selects projects they believe will have the greatest impact for at-risk children, whether in their local community or around the world.

"We were honored to be connected with the Guatemalan project for many reasons, including the ability to make even a small difference in reducing barriers and increasing access through such literacy projects," Downing says. "The recognition brought by this award will allow greater visibility to the project and the needs of this community."