



**STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB  
NEWSLETTER  
August 17, 2010**

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

August 24, Marna Canterbury, United Way Update....Mike Holsten  
August 31, Jim Kosmo, Still Standing, Story of SSG John Kriesel.....Ken McGinley  
September 7, Jon Olson, Century College Transportation Program....Lynda Halbert  
September 14, Jo Tate, Gifted and Talented Education Program...Michael Kahn

**FUTURE EVENTS**

August 18, Arrival of Exchange Student Laura Mueller, Germany  
September 25, 2010 Moonlight Golf  
September 25, H2O for Life/Water for Sudan Walk, Stillwater Jr. High at 10 AM.  
October 16-24, Nicaragua Cultural Exchange, Families Welcome (August 16 deadline for sign-up)  
October 27, Halloween at Boutwells  
November 30, Lost Boy Presentation, Stillwater Junior High School, 7 PM



**FELLOWSHIP: Steve Madsen**

**Visiting Rotarians**

Ute Buehler, Mpls/Univ

**Guests**

Mike Ptacek, speaker

**Make Ups**

Margie, Craig, Dave N., Orwin District Board of Directors.  
Ken McGinley, District Technology Committee Meeting.

**Links**

**Link to Stillwater Sunrise Website:** [Stillwater Sunrise Website](#)

**Link to District Website:** [Rotary District 5960](#)

**Link to International Web site:** [Rotary International Website](#)

**Link to Stillwater Sunrise Facebook Site:** [Stillwater Sunrise Rotary FACEBOOK Page](#)

**Link to Our Exchange Student Abbie Huntley in Germany:** [Our Abbie in Germany](#)



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS: Arba Della Beck, President**

Mark stood in for Arba Della who was absent.

Moonlight Golf, Dave said that there will be a mailing this week outlining duties etc.. for the event.

Halloween Parade, Mark said there is nothing new to report but something new this year is that there will be face painting while the kids wait in line.

Pete Smith said that there will be Strive Meeting after this weeks and next weeks meeting for those who would be interested in being a mentor.

According to Paula, our Exchange Student Abbie is having a blast in Germany. Check out her blog on our website... [Our Abbie in Germany](#)  
Laura Moeller, our exchange student from Germany, will arrive at 6pm Thursday, Aug. 19. Four families, two of whom are Rotarians, will be her hosts. Join in if you can. On another subject, the District is providing training for hosts and parents of exchange students. If you are interested in going contact Paula Williams at [pwilliams@lakeareabank.com](mailto:pwilliams@lakeareabank.com)

It was Craig Leiser's birthday and we all sang Happy Birthday.

### **NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM**

Marna Canterbury, Executive Director, will give us an update on United Way.

### **GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS**

As part of a new initiative, the previous weeks host provides a semi-biographical introduction of the host for this week's program to help us to better know our membership.

We did not do it this week, will save it for next week.

### **SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Rick Robbins**

Did you know that Germans invented the coffee filter (1908), and they have over 5000 varieties of beer?

Lots of anniversaries this month, Dave had the best announcement, 45 years of married bliss, 1 for him and 44 for her.

### **PROGRAM**

Mary Parcheta introduced Mike Ptacek, who talked about STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.) programs for students. He is a consultant with the Kern Family Foundation, whose founders are advocates for improving and preserving our country's engineering and technology capabilities. They are founders of the Generac Power Systems Company in Waukesha, Wisconsin. He supports this goal by promoting "Project Lead the Way," (PLTW), a middle and high school pre-engineering program, at local, regional and state education and business meetings. He has 40 yrs. of experience in education and has a Ph.D. from Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison. In November of 2008 he was elected to serve on the Stillwater Area School District Board of education.

To illustrate his point of the needs, for every one engineer who graduates there are 10 lawyers in the U.S. In China, just the opposite. Out of 100 students graduating from our high schools, 15 are going into STEM course work, of that 4 actually graduate.

### **JOKE OF THE WEEK**

Our teacher asked us what our favorite animal was, and I said,  
"Fried chicken."

She said I wasn't funny, but she couldn't have been right, everyone else in the class laughed.

My parents told me to always be truthful and honest, and I am.  
Fried chicken is my favorite animal.  
I told my dad what happened, and he said my teacher was probably a member of PETA. He said they love animals very much.  
I do, too. Especially chicken, pork and beef.

Anyway, my teacher sent me to the principal's office. I told him what happened, and he laughed too. Then he told me not to do it again.

The next day in class my teacher asked me what my favorite live animal

was. I told her it was chicken. She asked me why, just like she'd asked the other children. So I told her it was because you could make them into fried chicken. She sent me back to the principal's office again. He laughed, and told me not to do it again.

I don't understand. My parents taught me to be honest, but my teacher doesn't like it when I am. Today, my teacher asked us to tell her what famous person we admire most.

I told her, "Colonel Sanders".

Guess where I am now...=

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**President Ray Klinginsmith- Rotary International**

**Governor Craig Leiser - District 5960**

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