



**STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB
NEWSLETTER
October 4, 2011**

FUTURE MEETINGS

- Oct. 11 – Ricki Michael, Activities Director at Stillwater Area High School – hosted by Mary Parchetta
Oct. 18 – Louise Lentz, Community Education Instructor Alzheimer's Association – hosted by Robert Gray
Oct. 25 -- Todd Streeter, Executive Director of the Greater Stillwater Chamber of Commerce -- hosted by Lynda Halbert
Nov. 1 – Abbie Huntley, our club's exchange student to Germany – hosted by Paula Williams

FUTURE EVENTS

- Oct. 6 – Meet at 3:30 p.m. at Valley Outreach for packing food to Cimarron and Landfall;
4:30 p.m. for distribution of food
- Oct. 15 – Highway Cleanup – meet at 8:00 a.m. at Stillwater Town Hall
- Oct. 15-23 -- Trip to Nicaragua
- Oct. 26 -- Halloween at Boutwell's -- Barbara Tischart, Chair
Meet at 4:30 p.m. for candy mixing; Meet at 5:00 p.m. for all other assignments



FELLOWSHIP: Steve Madsen

Visiting Rotarians

None (We miss you, Ute!)

Guests

Noelle Valin, guest of Craig Leiser
Val Fisher, guest of Mark Fisher
Melinda Hoke, speaker and guest of John Wubbels

Make Ups

Cheryl Kohout, Roseville
Craig Leiser, (2) Prior Lake & Northfield
Mark Fisher, Stillwater Noon
Lynda Halbert – Stillwater Noon
Jon Stillman, Zone Institute (4)

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS:

Barb Tischart sent around a signup sheet for our club's Halloween event on Wed., Oct. 26 at Boutwell's. Barb announced the new volunteer feature of the event will be that the STRIVE students and their Rotarian mentors will be taking care of the big chore of mixing up all the candy at the start of the evening.

Ed Boeve announced that volunteers are still needed on Saturday morning, Oct. 2, for Rake a Difference. A signup sheet for that day was circulated.

Pete Smith said a few words about EREY (*Every Rotarian Every Year*) and reminded everyone that our club's goal is that 100% of our members will make annual gifts to the Rotary Foundation. This includes donations of coins in the individual Rotary coin cans, so keep filling them up and turn them in soon.

Val Fisher announced that more adult mentors are needed for the STRIVE program this year. A signup sheet was passed around. Talk to Val if you have any questions about participation in the program.

Regarding Club Service, Janis Donnelly talked about how new members are getting involved in club projects and how the club is meeting or exceeding all the club goals.

Our Club Membership, as of today, is 59 members (48 men and 11 women) and 2 honorary members (Ute and Val).

Today, three new members were inducted:

Rick Heidick, who works at 3M, sponsored by Janis Donnelly

David Nelson, a health care IT consultant, sponsored by Janis Donnelly

Eric McFee, who works for the Boy Scouts, sponsored by Orwin Carter

Also, Val Fisher, sponsored by Orwin Carter, was inducted as an honorary member.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Rick Robbins



Rick had the very good news that he and his spouse will be celebrating their 30th anniversary on Monday. Congratulations!

Rick also noted that today is National Cinnamon Roll day, so we all had a word of thanks -- and happy bucks -- for the Joseph's chef who included yummy cinnamon rolls on all of our plates!

Dave Langer paid a buck for the happy time he had during Oktoberfest in his recent travels to Germany.

Jon Stillman paid a buck for his recent vacation to Nova Scotia. And Jon announced the good news that there has still been only 1 case of polio so far this year in India, with Worldwide Polio Awareness Day coming at the end of October.

Steve Madsen paid a buck for what he said was the good news that hockey season is starting up again this week -- yeah!

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Mary Parchetta announced that next week's speaker will be Ricki Michael, Activities Director at Stillwater Area High School, who is also her boss!

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

In order to better get to know our members, the previous week's host provides a semi-biographical introduction of the host for this week's program. This week Bob Rupp introduced John Wubbels who is from Bemidji, works at Wells Fargo and is still proud of running in the Twin Cities Marathon 12 years ago.

PROGRAM

John Wubbels introduced speaker Melinda Hoke, Senior Development Officer for Courage Center in Stillwater. Ms. Hoke, who formerly worked as a fundraiser for MN Public Radio and the University of Minnesota Foundation, said she believes "in the power of transformation through philanthropy." She described in detail how Courage Center, a non-profit rehabilitation and resource center, serves individuals of all ages with disabilities. Courage Center programs include comprehensive rehabilitation therapies, independent living services, a community reintegration program, aquatics and fitness programs, camps, and adapted sports programs.

Courage Center in Stillwater serves about 3,000 people annually and last year recorded an amazing 64,000 therapy unit hours, noted Ms. Hoke. This was made possible through the contributions of 300+ volunteers. The impact of Courage Center programs was exemplified in a moving video that Ms. Hoke presented entitled, "Seasons of Courage." Following the video, she said that private or group tours are available by appointment by calling the Center at 651.439.8283.

Joke of the Week

After being married for 40 years, I took a careful look at my wife one day and said..... "Forty years ago we had a cheap house, a junk car, slept on a sofa bed and watched a 10-inch black and white TV, but I got to sleep every night with a hot 23-year-old girl.

Now ... I have a \$500,000.00 home, a \$35,000.00 car, a nice big bed and a large screen TV, but I'm sleeping with a 63-year-old woman. It seems to me that you're not holding up your side of things."

My wife is a very reasonable woman. She told me to go out and find a hot 23-year-old girl and she would make sure that I would once again be living in a cheap house, driving a junk car, sleeping on a sofa bed and watching a 10-inch black and white TV.

Aren't older women great? They really know how to solve an old guy's problems

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