STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB
NEWSLETTER
April 24, 2012

FUTURE MEETINGS

May 1 – Larry Huttle, retired chairman of Airstream, guest of Margie Horning
June 5 - Cory Buettner, Owner Leo's Grill & Malt Shop, guest of Chuck Buehler
June 12 – Mike Harley, Environmental Initiative, Exec. Director, guest of Dan Schmid
June 26- President Transition, Mark Fisher
July 3 – **HOLIDAY- NO MEETING**

FUTURE EVENTS

May 19, Brewer's Bazaar

FELLOWSHIP – Steve Madsen

Visiting Rotarians

Ute Buehler, Mpls./Univ.

Guests

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David Francis, speaker

Make Ups

Highway Cleanup – Ken, Steve, Shari, Rich, Crag, Bruce, Bob, Bret, Ted, Jim, Rick, Mary, Mark, Dean, Jason, Rick, Dave, John and Don.
Youth Exchange – Cheryl, Shari, Dean, Tim
Jon Stillman, District Conference, Evanston Lighthouse, Rotary International Training.
Craig Leiser – District Group Study Exchange (3), District Governor Conference.
Chuck Buehler – Mpls./Univ. (2)
Dave Newman - LeSuer

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Link to Stillwater Sunrise Website: ***Stillwater Sunrise Website***
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ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS:

A great turnout for the highway cleanup, 19-20 people there plus a good representation of all ages, 3 yrs. to ?????.

The Brewers Bazaar is moving along well. Ken asked that we all bring in our money from the sale of tickets and also any tickets that are left over to the meeting next week.
Also the Raffle is heating up as noted in the picture on the right. We have some great prizes and the tickets are only $10.
They still need help with the cleanup after the Bazaar is over. Please sign-up if you can help.

Shari said that the Youth exchange meeting at the High School was a big success. The walked out with 5 new host families and 4 students who are interested in participating.

Woodbury is finally able to celebrate the establishment of their Miracle Field. It will be April 27 at Prestwick Golf Club.

Mark reported that we have more Every Rotarian Every Year containers turned in. Also we have 14 Rotarians who have volunteered to be Mentors for our “New Generations Mentees”.

Cheryl reminded us that the Turkey GSE team is slated to arrive soon and we will have them from July 4-6.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

In order to get to know better our members, the previous weeks host provides a semi-biographical introduction of the host for this week’s program.

Shari introduced Jon Stillman. Jon was born in Appleton Wis., has been a Packer fan since before High School, a graduate of the Univ. of Wisconsin and of its’ ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corp.) there and enter the Air Force. He was a helicopter pilot in three tours of duty in Vietnam. He has a daughter who is an actress in the Looking Glass Theater in Chicago, a son Toby who is a Peace Corp. volunteer and celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with his wife Jane in 2007. He and his wife are former Sunrise Rotary Presidents.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

Rick celebrated his birthday with a bran muffin with a single candle, with great results.

This is National Scoop the Poop week.

Jon Stillman reported that there are 47 cases of Polio year to date vs. 103 a year ago. Good progress.

Dave N. asked to remember to vote for Hope by shopping at Starbucks.

Craig will miss the next 4 meetings because he will be in Brazil.

Mark found a birthday card in the ditch during cleanup and gave it to Rick.

NEXT WEEK’S PROGRAM

Margie will introduce her brother in law, Larry Huttle, retired chairman of Airstream; He is a member of Travel International RV Hall of Fame.

PROGRAM

Jon Stillman introduced his friend David Francis of the Jon Francis Foundation. David is a former employee of IBM, 3M and various .com companies (3 of the 5 were successful.) He has 4 children, 6 grandchildren and married his high school sweetheart from Michigan.

On Saturday morning, July 15, 2006, 24-year old son Jon Francis, of Stillwater, Minnesota, climbed Grand Mogul in the rugged Sawtooth Mountains in Idaho. He reached the summit but did not return. The official search, led by local law enforcement authorities, lasted for only 29 hours and was unsuccessful in finding him. A 12 month, family-funded search, employing hundreds of volunteers and professional search and rescue resources achieved the recovery of Jon’s remains on July 24, 2007. Jon was laid to rest at home in Minnesota, on October 9, 2007.

David has founded a foundation and written a book about Jon and the accident. It is a very interesting a very heartwarming story. It is a story of grief, help, expose’, documentation and honor. The foundation was setup to provide funds to lobby for law changes in various states to require rescues to not be restricted to children only. Here is its website… Jon Francis Foundation

Joke of the Week

A man is driving down the road and breaks down near a monastery.. He goes to the monastery, knocks on the door, and says, "My car broke down. Do you think I could stay the night?"

The monks graciously accept him, feed him dinner, and even fix his car. As the man tries to fall asleep, he hears a strange sound; a sound like no other that he has ever heard. The next morning, he asks the monks what the sound was, but they say, "We can't tell you because you're not a monk."

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The man is disappointed but thanks them anyway and goes about his merry way. Some years later, the same man breaks down in front of the same monastery.

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The monks again accept him, feed him, and even fix his car..

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That night, he hears the same strange mesmerizing sound that he had heard years earlier.

The next morning, he asks what the sound was, but the monks reply,
"We can't tell you because you're not a monk."

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The man says, "All right, all right. I'm dying to know.
If the only way I can find out what that sound was is to become a monk, how do I become a monk?"

The monks reply, "You must travel the Earth and tell us how many blades of grass there are and the exact number of sand pebbles. When you find these numbers, you will become a monk."

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The man sets about his task. Some forty-five years later, he returns and knocks on the door of the monastery. He says, "I have travelled the Earth and devoted my life to the task demanded and have found what you had asked for. There are 371,145,236,284,232 blades of grass and 231,281,219,999,129,382 sand pebbles on the earth.

The monks reply, "Congratulations, you are correct, and you are now considered a monk.
We shall now show you the way to the sound."

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The monks lead the man to a wooden door, where the head monk says, the sound is behind that door.

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The man reaches for the knob, but the door is locked. He asks, "May I have the key?"

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The monks give him the key, and he opens the door.

Behind the wooden door is another door made of stone... The man requests the key to the stone door.

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The monks give him the key, and he opens it, only to find a door made of ruby.. He demands another key from the monks, who provide it. Behind that door is another door, this one made of sapphire . And so it went on until the man had gone through doors of emerald,....

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....silver, topaz, and amethyst.

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Finally, the monks say, "This is the key to the last door."

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The man is relieved to be at the end. He unlocks the door, turns the knob, and behind that door he is astonished to find the source of that strange sound. It is truly an amazing and unbelievable sight ....

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.... But I can't tell you what it is because you're not a monk.

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