STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB
NEWSLETTER
May 8, 2012

FUTURE MEETINGS

May 15 – Interview with an Afghanistan Recon. Marine, guest of David Nelson
May 22 – STRIVE students at the meeting
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

Melissa Legge, speaker

Make Ups

Chuck Buehler, Mpls. Univ.
Craig Leiser, (3) District 4550 Brazil Conference
Ned Gorden, Tahiti

Links:
Link to Stillwater Sunrise Website: ***Stillwater Sunrise Website***
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ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS - President Mark Fisher:

We received communications from Courage Center

Brent announced the activities of the Rotary Young Professional Program. They are having an event to promote the program, a "Volunteer-A-Thon" where teams of volunteers will compete in an "obstacle course" of on-site service projects (packaging food for Feed My Starving Children, sanding repurposed doors for Habitat for Humanity, etc...)The event will be held at the MN State Fairgrounds Fine Arts Center on Saturday, July 14th. They are looking for business connections from Rotary for the event. Contact info. is erin.h.hoffman@gmail.com . Looking for signs, banners, rental company, sponsors etc…
They are also very active and are doing a lot of social media on the contemporary issues like earth day. Find out how you can raise $1000 for our club by going to RotaryYPC@rotary.org and asking how?

On May 22 we will have the STRIVE students at our meeting. Since we have such a large group (26) a buffet will be set up.

Brewers Bazaar: Jeff mentioned we have spots on the volunteer list to sign-up for; runners, parking directors etc…Ken has just a few tickets left and thanks for turning in. If you are working at the Bazaar, you do not have a need to purchase a ticket but you can also buy a ticket to help

the cause. There are Raffle tickets to sell; Justin is the guy…chance for a big outdoor grill plus I-Pad etc… Don't forget to wear your orange shirts at the event. If you do not have one let Mark or Ken know, they are ordering more.

The Past Presidents are meeting soon and they are asked to give a recommendation of the President for RI in 2014-2015.

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.

Margie introduced Rick Heidick. Rick was born in Fort Dodge, Iowa. As a soldier he was stationed in Bamberg, Germany. He worked for Donaldsons, the filter company, 3M where he worked in Austin, TX. He later moved to Hutchinson. He presently serves as a Quality Manager at 3M. He recently participated in a 100 mile Bike-e-thon.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS - Rick Robbins:

May 8 is VE (Victory in Europe) day. It is also National Teachers Day. Also Mother's day is coming up on the 11th. Besides fining people for various items including wearing no socks…Rick had a quote from his mother, "I did not ask you who did it, but just clean it up ".

Dave N. announced that the Hope Community won the Starbucks challenge worth $35,000.

Jon Stillman's report: 52 cases of Polio this year versus 123 cases last year at this date.

Steve's son is celebrating his 11th birthday today.

Craig L. reported that due to the illness of a passenger near him on the flight from San Paulo to the US, he was bumped to 1st class. Thought? Spike your neighbor's food.

John H. 's son and granddaughter's birthday is today.

Margie's husband had arthroscopic surgery and he is playing the recovery to the hilt "as most men do".

Ted Nesse announced that there is a special program at the Boutwells on Saturday 3-5 PM on China Today.

Rich C. says his daily commute to St. Paul will stop on July 2; he now has an office on Main Street Stillwater.

Andy contributed because he has a Mother.

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Dave Nelson will be interviewing his son who has just returned from Afghanistan about his experiences.

PROGRAM

Rick introduced Melissa Legge, a representative of PEW Foundation. She is a recent graduate of Washington University in St. Louis and is the field representative of PEW Environmental Group. The purpose of that group is to accelerate Clean Energy Solutions through various forms of lobbying and media attention.
Some interesting facts of the many she presented were…the military is the most aggressive clean energy policies in the government, the U.S. is now #1 in the world in private spending towards clean energy, China is 2nd and Spain 5th, 70% of the Venture Capital in the World comes from the U.S. which means we can fund ideas for Clean Energy and export them from a business perspective..
PEW is proposing the following initiatives:

1. More electric fuel efficient cars.
2. Create a demand for a National Energy Standard
3. Make the Industrial Sector more Efficient
4. Increase investment in Clean Energy R & D.

PEW is a family foundation. Another note of Interest: Germany has 50% of the residential roof top solar panels in the world and Italy has the best opportunity since solar easily pays for itself.

Joke of the Week

SIGN IN A STORE WINDOW.

'WE WOULD RATHER DO BUSINESS WITH 1000 AL QAEDA TERRORISTS THAN WITH ONE SINGLE BRITISH SOLDIER!'

This sign was prominently displayed in the window of a business in
CAMPBELTOWN, SCOTLAND.

You are probably outraged at the thought of such an inflammatory statement.

However, we are a society which holds Freedom of Speech as perhaps our greatest liberty.

After all, it is ONLY A SIGN.

You may say 'What kind of business would dare to post such a sign?'

Answer:

A FUNERAL PARLOUR.

(WHO SAID SCOTTISH UNDERTAKERS HAVE NO SENSE OF HUMOUR?)

YOU GOTTA LOVE IT!!!

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