STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB
June 10, 2014

FUTURE MEETINGS

June 17 – Corey Fiegel, Washington County Road Construction – Jeff Nelson
June 24 – Dick & Georgia Whitcomb, Phipps Center for the Arts – Brett Emmons
July 1 – Paula Williams, Year in Review & Passing of the Gavel to Steve Madsen
July 8 – Dan Martens, Water Survival Box – Jason Hanlon

FUTURE EVENTS

June 13 – Board meeting, 7:00 a.m., Family Means
June 17 – District Gov. Karel Weigel's Installation, MN Zoo, 6:30 p.m.
July 19 – Rotary Twins game, Target Field, All Day
July 22 – Club Picnic, 6:00 p.m., Langer Home, 12820 Paradise Ave. N., Stillwater

FELLOWSHIP: Cheryl Kohout

Guests:
Speaker – Tomas Fabre

Visiting Rotarians:
No visiting Rotarians

Make ups:
Dave Newman – Red Wing Rotary

Links:
Link to Stillwater Sunrise Website: ***Stillwater Sunrise Website***
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CLUB BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Paula Williams

In connection with our club's partnership with the Stillwater Public Library, Paula announced the library's annual fundraising event – "Light a Spark" which will be held on July 4. It is open to the public and information about tickets can be found on the library website.

Paula gave a reminder about this Friday's Board meeting at 7:00 am at Family Means, and noted that it will be her final one as president before passing the gavel to Steve.

<u>SERGEANTS AT ARMS</u>: Bob Gray and Mel Sullivan

Mel started off with some really good news: first of all, she now has four grandchildren, with her new granddaughter having arrived in good health just days ago, and then her son is now home safe and sound after a long tour of duty in Afghanistan.

Dave N. briefly described his visit to the Red Wing Rotary club, which featured ham salad sandwiches on Wonder Bread. Hmmmmmm.

Then we sang a melodious "Happy Birthday" to Dave Spencer.

Bob Rupp noted that on this day back in 1941 he reported for military duty, for which we all responded with a rousing applause for his service.

<u>Raffle</u>:

Tim Trooien conducted the raffle, which was won by Jack Gibbons

<u>NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM</u>:

Jeff Nelson is bringing in Corey Fiegel, Washington County employee, who will give a presentation and overview of local road construction projects.

<u>PROGRAM</u>:

Tomas Fabre, our club's exchange student from France, gave a farewell presentation entitled, "My Year in the U.S."
He showed a colorful array of photos, described many of the new things he learned during his stay in Stillwater and gave
details about his travels.

Tomas said he enjoyed events at Stillwater Area High School, including homecoming, prom and football games. His
favorite class was biology. He commented that he "really likes Minnesota," and was happy to be able to attend sporting
events including hockey and baseball games. In addition he got to ski for the first time, at Afton Alps. In a trip to
Lake Itasca, he had fun seeing the statues of Paul Bunyan and Babe the Blue Ox, and enjoyed the stay in a camper,
in spite of all the mosquitoes (!)

He also enjoyed traveling around the country with his host families. For example, he went to San Diego and enjoyed
visiting Sea World and riding on a "whale watching boat." Other vacations included trips to Las Vegas, Milwaukee and
Chicago.

Tomas also answered many questions from Rotarians. Asked about the best food he's had here, he answered quickly that it was a tasty "Hot Dish"! In addition to living with and getting to know his three host families, Tomas said he has made many friends, and hopes to keep the friendships ongoing. When he returns to France, he will have two years left of high school then plans to attend college. He showed off a large colorful quilt that was given to him as a going-away present that will always remind him of the Stillwater Ponies, the city Stillwater and all his good experiences in Minnesota.

Finally, Tomas presented president Paula with a flag from his French sponsor, the Rotary Club of Clermont-Chamalieres. And Paula presented Tomas with a Stillwater Sunrise Rotary Club flag to bring back to the French club.

In addition, Paula gave Tomas a cash gift and a greeting card signed by Sunrise Rotarians who wished him all the best as this chapter of his life comes to a close. "*Au revoir et bon courage, Tomas*!"

<u>Joke of the Week</u>
If you think we have it bad, this was sent to me by a European Friend.

If there is a shred of doubt that
the world is totally insane, this will remove it.
This says it all….

Pythagoras' Theorem……24 words.
The Lord's Prayer……66 words.
Archimedes' Principle……67 words.
The Ten Commandments……179 words.
The Gettysburg Address……286 words.
The US Declaration of Independence……..1,300 words.
The US Constitution with all 27 Amendments……7,818 words.
EU Regulations on the sale of Cabbages……26,911 words

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