



**STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB**  
November 8, 2016

*"Life is an echo, what you send out comes back" Chinese Proverb*

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER/TOPIC</u>
Nov 15th	Dean Tibbetts	Jeff Munneke, VP Fan Experience/Basketball Academy - MN Twolves & Lynx
Nov 22nd	Bob Rupp	Jenny West and Mary Harcey -- Stillwater: Dementia-Friendly City
Nov 29th	Arba-Della Beck	Mike Polehna - Hockey Day Minnesota
Dec 6th	Steve Madsen	Lynne Bertalmio, Stillwater Library Director
Dec 13th	Cheryl Kohout	<b>Holiday Party</b> , 6:00 pm - Reve Bistro & Bar, 200 E. Chestnut St., Stillwater
Dec 20th	Dave Langer	<b>Vocational Visit</b> - JX Event Center
Dec 27th	No Meeting	Meeting cancelled for the holidays
Jan 3rd	Craig Leiser	
Jan 10th	Paula Williams	
Jan 17th	Wendy Heck	
Jan 24th	Mike Holsten	Clark Schroeder - The Royal Golf Club at Lake Elmo (Formerly Tartan Park)
Jan 31st	Doug Pepin	
Feb 7th	Jeff Nelson	
Feb 14th	Susannah Torseth	
Feb 21st	Brett Emmons	

**Please Note that During Election Seasons:** Elected officials or announced candidates may not speak to Rotary after June 1 in the year they are up for election.

If your program highlights one of Rotary's six areas of focus, feel free to mention the area when you introduce your program. **1. Water & Sanitation 2. Education and Literacy 3. Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution 4. Maternal & Child health 5. Economic Development 6. Disease Prevention & Treatment**

**Please remember this is a 3-week commitment:**

- Week before.....Announce Program & Speaker
- Week of Scheduled Program.....Introduce Yourself and Your Speaker
- Week after Program .....Bring Gift, Conduct Raffle
- Your speaker will have 20 minutes to present.

If the Tuesday you've been assigned isn't convenient, please arrange to swap dates with another member. (Call Tim Trooien 651-439-3153, or email [timtrooien@comcast.net](mailto:timtrooien@comcast.net) if you do switch.)

And remember: You will be assessed a \$30 charge if you forget to conduct the raffle!

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Dec. 15, 4 P.M.

**FELLOWSHIP & GREETER:** Cheryl Kohout

**Guests:**

Mike Lyner guest of Nancy Lyner  
Jack Matlock guest of Jeanne Matlock  
Craig and Karen Hansen guests of Nancy Lyner and speakers.

**Visiting Rotarians:**

None

**Make ups:**

None

**Links:**

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

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

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

**CLUB BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** President Mel Sullivan

President Mel thanked Steve for standing in for her last week.

Cheryl's Pause for Reflection was VOTE.

We purchased a shelter box again this year and received a thanks.

No board meeting this week.

The 15th Annual Foundation Celebration is November 12 in St. Paul. It is a 100 year anniversary.



Brent reported that our candidate Tyler Banks along with Jesse Seyala were at Camp Enterprise this year and Tyler was also a STRIVE student. Here is what happened at the camp....

The attached picture was taken of Tyler Banks' team with the "\$5 million check" awarded to them for their winning presentation to the Venture Capital Panel of the business plan he and the other six students assigned to the team I acted as mentor for at Camp Enterprise. Tyler is third in from the left in the back row. The picture shows:

Front Row (left to right):

Daniel from Eden Prairie High School

Grace from Monticello High School

Nathan from Roseville High School

Back Row (left to right)

Peter (this year's Camp E Chair)

Sam from Alexandria High School

Tyler from Stillwater High School

Alan from Edison High School in Mpls.

Seth from North Central University (assigned as counselor to the team)

Myself

Penny from Cotter High School in Winona

The member of the Venture Capital panel who announced the results of the competition

Tyler acted as the director of Human Resources for our team. They selected the name "Grace Tech" with their product they named "Grace Glass." The product was a device to permit the user playing the Pokémon Go Game to see projected on the lens of eye glasses the Pokémon target while moving about in the actual world.

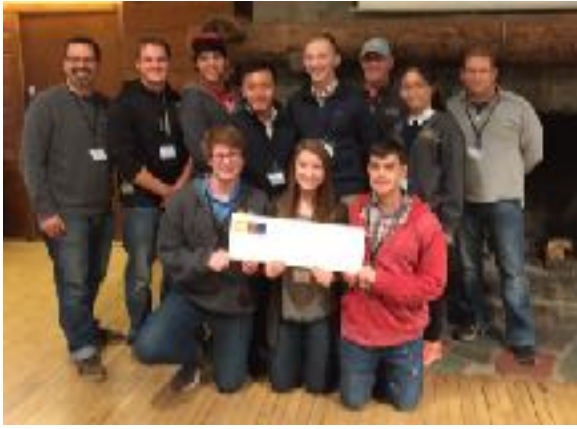
The product was intended to:

Allow for safer game play (permitting the player to pay attention to the actual world rather than the virtual world on their smart phone)

Preservation of battery life of the player's smart phone (as battery would not be drained down by keeping the display running)

Increased "captures" as the player was able to cover more territory by not constantly monitoring the screen of their smart phone

As director of Human Resources, Tyler had to explain to the venture capital panel the staffing plans for Grace Tech, how he intended to recruit the employees and how his company was going to retain its employees.



I have been involved in Camp E for more than ten years and believe it to be a great program. It is only possible, however, due to the willingness of Rotary Clubs to sponsor students to attend. Thank you for sponsoring Tyler. It was a pleasure to work with him.

I am including as a copied recipient of this email the Principal of Tyler's high school and hope it may be shared with others at the school so they might be aware of Tyler's success at Camp Enterprise.

Signed:  
Randy Sparling Organizer Camp Enterprise

There is going to be a Happy Hour at the Gasthaus this Thursday 5-7 PM

Margie noted that there will be a Grants meeting on Nov. 18.

**SERGEANTS-AT-ARMS:** Jennifer Giovinazzo and Mark Fisher



This Happy Tuesday go Vote day, however there surely will be a good percentage that will not be happy.

Cheryl told the story about the emergency in their family when a member left a message and had to go to the doctor. After calling around they later found out she went to the movie Dr. Strange. Cost Cheryl \$2.

Someone shot a deer while hunting on Bruce Goldstrand's property.

Rich Cummins noted the Gopher hockey team beat UMD 2-0.

Jon Stillman gave three cheers for Wisconsin.

Rick was given an extra dollar from shopping by mistake, gave it to Rotary.

Ute welcomed old friends Karen and Craig.

**NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM:**

Dave Langer speaking for Dean who will host Jeff Munneke, VP Fan Experience/Basketball Academy - MN Twolves & Lynx.

**GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS:**



Nancy Lyner introduced herself. She is a former teacher and exchange student. She is with Evolve Services, an adoption agency, as Development Director.

**PROGRAM:**

Craig and Karen Hansen spoke about learning to live with blindness while still achieving success in life. Craig, who is a Phd Professor at Metro State and Interim Dean of Liberal Arts, has been slowly going blind since birth. Karen and Craig have been married for 40 years and been together for 44.

His malady of retina is more typical of Arab and Japanese women. His sight was fairly stable for 30 years. However as it got worse he voluntarily stopped driving. 5 years ago it went into sharp decline and he had to learn to live and embrace blindness. He realized that he needed help and decided to apply for a seeing eye dog. However he had to first go through "white cane" training which he treaded because of the stigma of the cane to the outer



world. (Craig noted that those who walk around with such canes are the most courageous people he knows and we should respect that.)

Karin described all the adjustment her and the marriage had to bear but they have survived and prospered.

His dog Volta is something else, dedicated and very good, keeping him out of danger by nudges and stopping etc....

He couldn't leave without giving a pitch for Metro State. They have grown so much in the last years from 3,000 to 12,000 students, 47% of color, mostly 1st generation college students in their families, dedicated and committed to their education.

### **THIS WEEK'S JOKE**

Ralph and Edna were both patients in a mental hospital. One day while they were walking past the hospital swimming pool, Ralph suddenly jumped into the deep end.

He sank to the bottom of the pool and stayed there. Edna promptly jumped in to save him. She swam to the bottom and pulled him out.

When the Hospital Director became aware of Edna's heroic act she immediately ordered her to be discharged from the hospital, as she now considered her to be mentally stable.

When she went to tell Edna the news she said, 'Edna, I have good news and bad news. The good news is you're being discharged, since you were able to rationally respond to a crisis by jumping in and saving the life of the person you love. I have concluded that your act displays sound mindedness. The bad news is, Ralph hanged himself in the bathroom with his bathrobe belt right after you saved him. I am so sorry, but he's dead.'

Edna replied, 'He didn't hang himself, I put him there to dry...How soon can I go home?'

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**Governor Jim S. Hunt - District 5960**

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