



**STILLWATER SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB
NEWSLETTER
May 12, 2009**

FUTURE MEETINGS

May 19, Del Peterson, Strive

May 26, Jeff Robertson, Curt Geissler, Lakeview Hospital Growth Plans

June 2, Arba Della Beck: Bonnie Bakke on Shelter Box

FUTURE EVENTS

May 16, Brewers Bazaar.

June 20–25, RI Convention, Birmingham, England. Mike Holsten, Jon Stillman and Cheryl Kohout are going.

September 12, Midnight Golf

FELLOWSHIP (Steve was missing, so Ken handled)

Visiting Rotarians

None

Guests

Yvonne Klinnert, guest of Bob Rupp

Caroline Lowe (speaker) guest of Tim Trooien

Make Ups

Craig Leiser, eight makeups; Rich Cummings in Kihei, Maui, Hawaii; Janis Donnelly at STRIVE

Links

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS

Joe Kohler became the first corporate member of Sunrise. Joe, who's the owner of Joseph's, was recruited under the corporate category, a new membership level initiated by District a few months ago.

Karen Hansen has resigned, due to too many other commitments.

Special guest Yvonne Klinnert was thanked for the support she has given Sunrise through her weekly newspaper, *The Stillwater Courier*. Newest addition of a Fargo-based publisher, *The Courier* published its last edition last Thursday due to a too-small circulation base. The shut-down came despite Yvonne having won top honors from the Minnesota Newspaper Association for an outstanding newspaper two of the four years it had been printed. Her advice: "Support your local paper." She starts her new job as Public Affairs Director for Washington County next Monday – the only one of a staff of seven who have so far found replacement employment in a nationwide trend of decreasing support for local media.

Sunrise Rotary has its name printed – in English and Hindi -- on cornerstone plaques in Mangaon, India, for a project it helped fund to clean up waste water near a primary school there. Sunrise provided start-up grant

money to the RI Foundation, through District 5960, in a joint effort with the Pune Tilak Rotary Club, District 3130, India. The combined effort resulted in a \$12,500 treatment plant which converts sewage that once flowed into a marsh behind the school into water clean enough for irrigating school agricultural projects. "Now, 425 students have a cleaner campus and a plentiful water supply for special projects," reported Ted Nesse, who suggested the project and worked closely with the Pune Tikal Club during his frequent trips to India.

Margie Horning is in Nicaragua on a special project there.

This year's Brewer's Bazaar keeps getting better and better, with 17 brewers, a new record, scheduled to hand out free sips to all who buy tickets. President Ken read part of an unsolicited e-mail from a non-beer-drinking supporter who considered this third annual event a "hot ticket." Co-chair Mark Fisher urged members to turn in raffle money to Mike Holsten. Co-chair Paula Williams urged member to show up this coming Saturday morning. "I'll put you to work."

Craig Leiser is exchanging club banners with a Buenos Aires, Argentina, Rotary Club.

Mike Schoonover had a good sized crew turn out for the road cleanup last Saturday.

PROGRAM

Tim Trooien introduced Caroline Lowe, a crime beat reporter for WCCO-TV since 1977. Caroline has won a number of prestigious awards for her work, including the Alfred I. DuPont Columbia award, two regional Emmy's, recognition by both AP and UPI news services, and is the first media person to receive the Minnesota Association of Crime Victims Media Attention Service award. She's also a graduate of the Police Academy, not as an officer but as a journalist.

Caroline talked about her job as a crime reporter, including her opinion that crimes today aren't much worse than when she started her beat 32 years ago.

She also picked up on the comments made by Yvonne Klinnert regarding the shift in news coverage. "Do anything you can to keep newspapers and online reporting," she told the Rotarians. "We're losing part of our culture. If we don't have local news, how do we know what's going on?" She also agreed that "Advertising revenue is not there. We've lost a number of 'CCO photographers I've worked with."

JOKE OF THE WEEK

A new teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses.
She started
her class by saying, "Everyone who thinks they're stupid, stand
up!"
After a few seconds, Little Johnny stood up.
The teacher said, "Do you think you're stupid, Little Johnny?"
"No, ma'am, but I hate to see you standing there all by yourself!"

Little Johnny watched, fascinated, as his mother smoothed cold
cream on her
face. "Why do you do that, mommy?" he asked.
"To make myself beautiful," said his mother, who then began
removing the
cream with a tissue.
"What's the matter?" asked Little Johnny. "Giving up?"

Little Johnny's kindergarten class was on a field trip to their

local police station where they saw pictures tacked to a bulletin board of the 10 most wanted criminals. One of the youngsters pointed to a picture and asked if it really was the photo of a wanted person. "Yes," said the policeman. "The detectives want very badly to capture him." Little Johnny asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture?"

Little Johnny attended a horse auction with his father. He watched as his father moved from horse to horse, running his hands up and down the horse's legs, rump, and chest. After a few minutes, Johnny asked, "Dad, why are you doing that?" His father replied, "Because when I'm buying horses, I have to make sure that they are healthy and in good shape before I buy. Johnny, looking worried, said, "Dad, I think the UPS guy wants to buy Mom."

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