



The Sunriser September 23, 2009

Calendar of Events

Meetings 7:00 a.m. Wednesdays at
Trinity United Methodist Church
3737 S. Peoria

- 9/23 Rick Westcott
City Councilor - District 2
ROD — Don Barney
- 9/30 Ellen Ralph
Meridian Resources
ROD — Tricia Gomez
- 10/7 To Be Announced
ROD — Jack Freese
- 10/14 Bill Bowen, Wheelchair Foundation
ROD — Andy Leithner

Other Events

- 9/26 Sunrise Day at MSNI
See Details Below
- 10/11 Rescheduled Ice Cream Social
- 10/20 Mennonite Dinner
Mike Bibby will Organize This
- ??/?? Pig Roast at Don Walker's
Watch for details

News Roundup

Sunrise at MSNI. Sunrise will be working at the MSNI warehouse this Saturday, 9/26 from 7 - 11 AM. Contact Larry Biron for details.

Zone Conference Followup. Don Walker reported that the recent Zone Institute was a big success. He thanked all the Sunrise volunteers who helped to make it go so well.

Ice Cream Social Announced. Sunrise's annual Ice Cream Social has been postponed and is now tentatively scheduled for October 11. It will be held at **Tommy Williams'** home – 5705 E. 121st Tulsa, from 1 - 4 p.m.

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Sharon Doty Urges Sunrise to Empower Adults and Protect Children

Sharon Doty of Empowering Adults — Protecting Children, Inc. spoke at Sunrise's 9/16 meeting.

Her message: There is no cure for pedophilia. The only cure is prevention and adults need to do whatever it takes to create safe environments for all our children.

To establish context, Sharon told about Chicago's problem in the 19th century. The city suffered rampant outbreaks of typhoid, cholera, and diphtheria. Public health efforts treated, but did not prevent, the outbreaks. The eventual preventive solution involved reversing the flow of the Chicago River.

Pedophilia is another public health issue. We can treat children who have been abused, but prevention is much more elusive.

11% of molesters are strangers. 90% are people kids and family know and trust.

Doty had an opportunity in 1997 when she started on a program for the Catholic Church to teach adults how to recognize abuse

- how to recognize abused kids
- how to deal with disclosures
- how to report abuse
- how to identify potential predators in our midst.

As part of this effort, Doty created an expert counseling team for the Catholic Church and was involved in developing a program called "Protecting God's Children."

The program has become widespread in the church. Doty is now developing a program for the rest of society.

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News Roundup, Continued

International Services Update. Kelly

Grogg reported that he has arranged another hot deal on kids' shoes for the Shoes for Orphans' Soles drive. We will be able to pelt Kelly with toss water balloons at the Ice Cream Social to raise money for the drive.

Project at Trinity United Methodist

Church. **Jim Blackburn** thanked Paul Mikes for his help in the project to paint the ceiling in the storage room we've been using at the church to store computers.

Meeting Entertainment. The 9/16 meeting featured a presentation by the Mike and Jake Players which dramatized the early career of Paul Harris. The players included **Mike Bibby**, **Jack Freese**, **John Sawyer**, **Tommy Williams**, and **Kelly Grogg**.

Pig Roast is Being Scheduled. Don

Walker's annual Pig Roast is currently being scheduled. The date is still open, so watch for details.

NOTE: Send your announcements, events, ideas, or other items to johnhill@cox.net, or call John Hill at 808-0987. Thanks!

MSNI Fund Raiser

This year's fund-raiser will involve raffling off a Mercedes C300 Sports Sedan!!! The drawing will be held at the District Conference in Rogers, AR the weekend of 10/24-25. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. See Larry Biron or Herb Orr for tickets.

Protect Children, Continued

One focus is to identify potential abusers. Many of the old rules of thumb are not accurate. The current focus is on spotting behaviors and identifying similarities.

Teaching children has been relatively easy, since they can be addressed when they are gathered together for school.

Reaching adults is harder because they don't typically gather to address these issues.

Doty had to create programs to reach out to adults.

One program is an interactive play called "Deliver Them From Evil." The play addresses the issue of incest, which accounts for about 30% of abuse.

At presentations, the dramatic narrative is occasionally interrupted by a facilitator who engages the audience to evaluate the play's content.

The goal is to teach participants to identify the behaviors of potential child molesters and stop them before they harm children.

A secondary goal is to identify the risky behaviors of well-meaning family members, behaviors that can endanger children.

Attendance Requirements per RI

Attend or make up at least 50% of your Rotary club meetings in each half of the year.

Attend at least 30% of your club's meetings in each half of the year.

A member may not miss or fail to make up four consecutive meetings.

You should be present for at least 60% of a club meeting for it to count towards the attendance requirement. For example, you would need to be present for at least 36 minutes of a 60 minute meeting.