



## The Sunrises

November 11th, 2009

Meetings 6:45 a.m. Wednesdays at Trinity United Methodist Church 3737 S. Peoria

### Today's program & RoD

Steve Whitaker – Executive director- John  
3:16 Mission

RoD: Bob Newkirk

“You can't say that civilization don't advance, however, for in every war they kill you in a new way.” - Will Rogers

### Last week's program – Nate Waters

### Upcoming Programs & RoDs

- Nov 18 – Larry Biron- Paul Harris Fellow  
RoD: Jim Smiley
- Nov 25 – Mike Rogers – RYLA  
- Dr. C. Riger Wood, III  
RoD: Aaron Wendt
- Dec 2 – Dr. Mansur Fisk – Service Above Self  
RoD: *tba*

On November 4<sup>th</sup> Nate Waters shared the importance of finding opportunities through adversity by sharing his life's story. Nate grew up in the concrete playgrounds that surround the city of Chicago. Throughout his childhood money was scarce but instead of resorting to illegal activity Nate used his industrious nature to sell apparel, shine shoes, and even collected cans for money.

### Other Coming Events

- 12/10 – Christmas Party, details *tba*, but save the date. Wild card makeup!
- Share Rotary

Nate and his family moved to Tulsa in 1991. After seeing all of the green grass around Tulsa, Nate purchased a lawn mower and went door to door mowing lawns. When he was 16 he dropped out of high school but still had many real estate and business dreams.

### November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – A salute to Veterans

U.S. President Woodrow Wilson was the first to set aside the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1919 as an official “Armistice Day.” The name was later changed to Veterans Day in 1954 to remember all Veterans. From 1971 – 1977 Veterans Day was celebrated on the fourth Monday of October but was changed back to November 11<sup>th</sup> in 1978.

Tragedy struck when his mom's boyfriend body slammed Nate, causing him to land on his head. After going to the hospital Nate was paralyzed from the neck down and he then began the next years of his life living in nursing homes. Throughout all of this Nate didn't give up on his dreams and studied his way through high school and college. He kept a positive attitude and didn't let his life's adversity get in the way of his destiny. Today, Nate is an accountant at Williams and also shares his story as a motivational speaker.

#### The attendance race...

100% - \*Arruda, Barney, Bibby, Biron, Cantu, Clark, Freeman, Freese, Kelly Grogg, Hays, Lively, McGhay, Miller, Morse, Ondracek, Carol Orr, Herb Orr, Orvis, Reid, Bill Rodgers, Smiley, Barney Tonquest, Ellie Tonquest, and Walker. \*Return from LOA.

75%-99% - Blackburn, Brauer, Care, Coffman, Chris Cole, Cyrus, \*Dyson, Ford, Lawson, Leithner, Mikes, Muck, Schueren, Vander Lind, \*\*Wasson, Welty, Wendt, and \*Spike Williams. \* Return from LOA, \*\*Rule of 85

50%-74% - Alrifai, Bowen, Branstetter, Carpenter, Linda Cole, Francis, Gomez, Hardy, Horton, Morgan, \*\*Newkirk, Randle, Mike Rogers, Sawyer, \*Scroggs, Smallwood, \*\*Sprague, Teel, Thompson, and \*\*Tommy Williams.

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\*\*Rule of 85 Less than 50% - Briggs, \*\*Stanley Grogg, \*\*Liichow, \*\*Melott, Moyer, O'Neal, \*\*Reagon, Rollo, \*Thyvelikakath, and Troy. \*Return from LOA, \*\*Rule of 85.Deceased – John Hill. Hospitalized - Welcome back Paul Mikes, you look great. Leave of Absence: - Paul Shields Rule of 85 - Stanley Grogg, D.O., Jim Liichow, Bob Melott, Bob Newkirk, Paul Reagon, MD, Kit Sprague, Don Wasson, and Tommy Williams.