

"Enhancing Opportunities for Youth, Creating a Better Community for all"



HUDSON Daybreak Rotary Club

Rotary speaker for November 17, 2010: Daryl Standafer

Today's speaker was Daryl Standafer, past Rotarian, introduced by Garth Christenson. Daryl gave a wonderful presentation on his tour of the Civil War Battlefields with his son and grandson. Daryl said it was a bonding trip filled with education and emotion. It was emotional in the fact that he gained perspective on the Civil War. The size and scope of what actually happened. Corinth, Mississippi is the place to visit the Shiloh Battlefield. There stands the only Confederate monument. It tells of 3 mass graves where 3400 soldiers are buried. Most battles were fought on farm land. Shiloh was named for the church that stood on the eight miles long and six mile wide field.

Daryl has photos of many monuments, some of which were in honor of the soldiers from Wisconsin that fought and died. Next on the trip was 150 miles across Tennessee to Chickamunga Battlefield. Here is where Daryl spoke mostly about how the battles were fought and the strategy that went into the planning of them.

Next was Stones River National Battlefield. It has the oldest original monument of the civil war.

Their final stop was at Fort Donelson National Battlefield which started in April 1862.

Daryl reflected on why the Civil War was fought. The South fought to preserve the plantation way of life. The North fought to preserve the Union and to end slavery. We need to study the Civil War to learn the lessons it taught us... and to never forget.

Rotary November 24, 2010



Inducted today as new members were Greg and Jennifer Kemper.



Presented with a check was Yvonne Larsen from Youth Action Hudson.

Rotary Speakers for December 1, 2010: YH

YH, as he's known to all of us at Day Break Rotary gave a presentation today on his homeland of South Korea. People never guess he is from South Korea. Usually they think he is from Japan, or China. The population of South Korea is approximately 15 Million. The capital is Seoul, with the second capital of Busan. The official language is Korean. The size of South Korea is about the size of Wisconsin, perhaps a bit smaller. It's national flower is the Mugurghwa, similar to the rose.

Busan is YH's home. The population is around 5 million. It is known for it's ocean views, big temple and huge harbor. The ship building in Busan is some of the finest in the world. YH told us that he spells Korea, (Corea), with a C. Before World War II North and South Korea was one country. After the war, the United Nations, the United States and other countries forced Korea to split for political reasons.

YH said China gave South Korea much knowledge and Technology. Currently North and South Korea are in the news regarding a potential war. YH says this is not unusual. The leader of North Korea is just looking for attention. YH also commented on US troops in South Korea. He is not pleased that they are in his country.



YH's father is an Eastern Doctor meaning he practices Eastern medicine like acupuncture.

Korea's industry includes world wide companies including Samsung, LG, Hyundai and KIA. Martial Arts are also very popular in his country including Tae Kwando. South Korea has many world famous athletes including figure skaters, soccer players, swimmers, and baseball players.

YH loves baseball and is passionate about the sport. One of the foods YH spoke about is Kimchee, which is very spicy and has a lot of garlic. It is know to keep people healthy.

The Korean economy survives on the import and export business. Time ran out before YH was done with his presentation so we are looking forward to hearing from him again in May.



Exchange Student YH speaks to the Hudson Daybreak Rotary



Vicki Erickson and Sarah Bruch accept a grant on behalf of The Source, a new non profit located in Hudson on 4th Street.

