



# WISCONSIN RAPIDS SUNRISE SCRIPT

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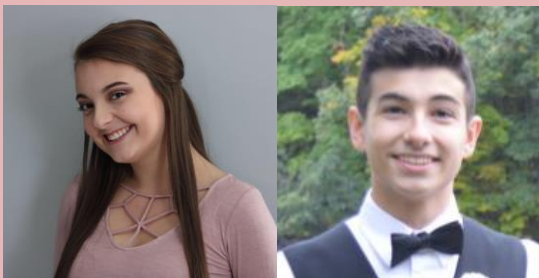
## Today's Program

### Avenues of Service

May 24	Tom Schneider – Valentina Vargas, Perspectives on Rotary Exchange
May 31	RYLA Students, and "Fifth-Thursday"
June 7	Elaine Semrow
June 14	Fred Stich
June 21	Avenues of Service
June 28	Dean Veneman
July 5	Sue Wesley
July 12	Deanna Willems
July 19	Mary Wirtz
July 26	Avenues of Service
Aug 2	Nick Abts

### Rotary News

- We welcomed new student Rotars, Morgan Jarosinski from Lincoln High School and Victor Hoffmeister from Nekoosa High School.
- Rotary board meeting Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Hotel Mead
- Helping Hands Gospel Mission introduction to the new director Tricia Jensen at the Wisconsin Rapids United Methodist Church, Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 3-5 pm
- Highway cleanup is Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm
- Cinema Under the Stars is June 14<sup>th</sup>
- Mead block party is June 15<sup>th</sup>
- Sunrise Rotary Rafters night will be Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup>



**New Student Rotars:** Morgan Jarosinski (left) and Victor Hoffmeister (right)



**Attendance:** 30  
**Happy Pig:** About \$14 was donated to the pig.

### OFFICERS 2016/2017

**District Governor** – Joe Ruskey

**President** – Mary Jo Green

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### Paul Harris Fellows

Fred Stich (2)	Bob Plucker
Ellen Dahl	Pat Schuetz
Ed Heuer	Dean Ryerson
Kurt Heuer	Tom Schneider
Jere Johnson	Larry Schmick
Joe Lane	Larry Koopman
Lynda Almonte	Josh Mason
Sue Siewert	Dave Mueller
Joey Marshall (2)	Ida Lee Siewert (2)
Steve Sternitzky	Wayne Johnson
Elaine Semrow	Ken Hanson
Kim Auman	Rosie Anderson
Sally Young	George Hathaway
Ralph Lau	Dan McCarville
Mary Jo Green	Dean Veneman
Dennis McCarville	John Moffat (2)
Lorraine Schmutzer	Tim Krueger
Kristopher Gasch	Barry Jens
Tom Paul (3)	

### Club Chairpersons

#### Vocational Service

Gus Mancuso, co-chair

Carol Davis, co-chair

#### Community Service

Dave Guse, chair

#### International Service

Nancy Mischnick, co-chair

Tom Schneider, co-chair

#### Club Service / Membership

Rick Merdan, chair

#### R.I. Foundation Liaison

Karen Kienert

#### Polio Plus Chairperson

Tom Schneider

#### Youth Exchange Officer

Felicia Gardner

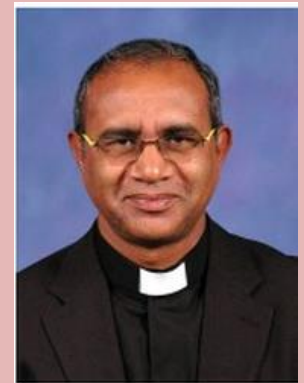
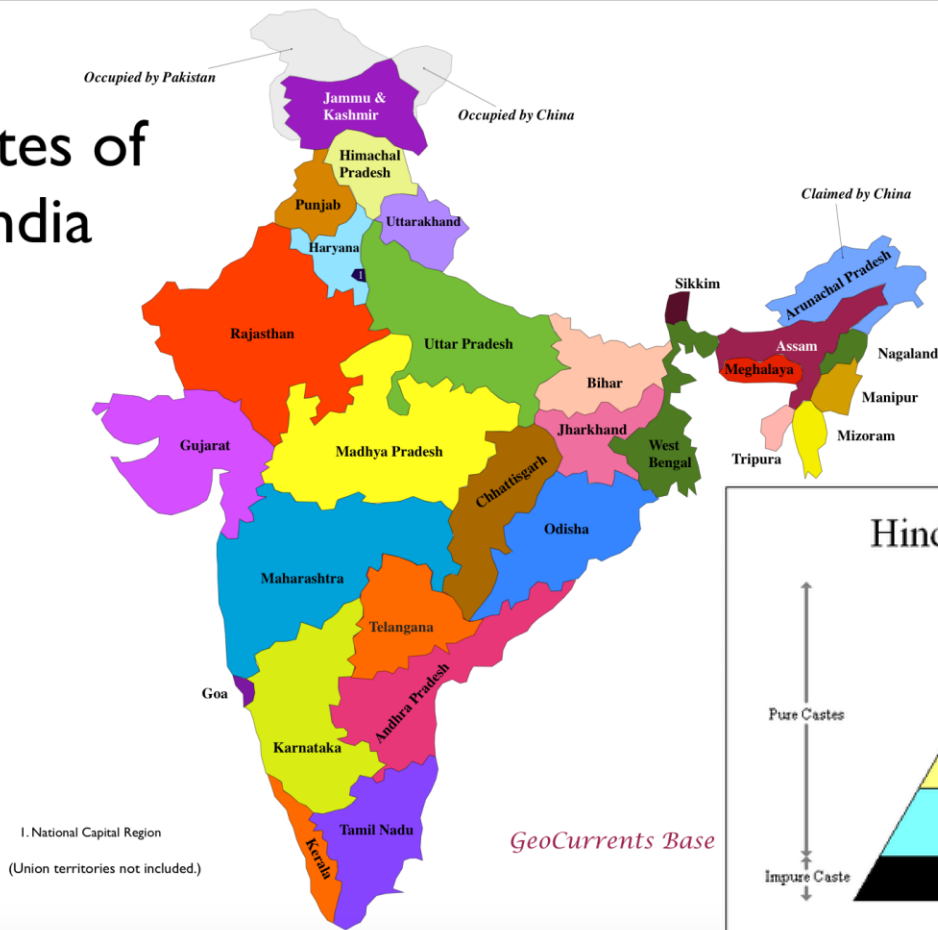
#### Youth Exchange Counselor

Tom Schneider

#### Youth Protection Officer

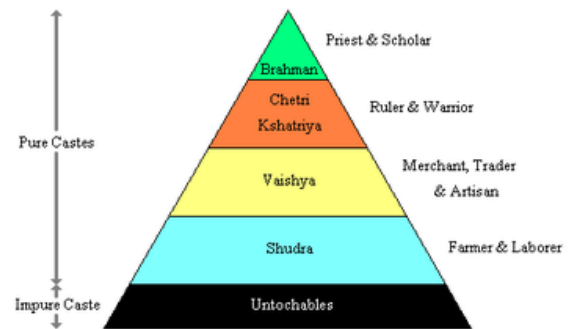
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# States of India



**Rev. Jerome Patric**  
Pastor

## Hindu Caste System



## Father Jerome Patric, "Living & Growing Up in India"

Father Jerome from St. Vincent's shared information on India where he grew up.

India was named for one of the major rivers in the country. It is the seventh-largest country by area, the second-most populous country (with over 1.2 billion people), and the most populous democracy in the world. In the 19th century it came in control under the British East India Company, later shifting to British crown rule. A nationalist movement emerged in the late 19th century, which later, under Mahatma Gandhi, was noted for nonviolent resistance and led to India's independence in 1947. India is a federal republic governed under a parliamentary system and consists of 29 states and 7 union territories. India is widely recognized for its wide cinema, rich cuisine and lush wildlife and vegetation. It is a pluralistic, multilingual and multi-ethnic society.

The Indian caste system as it exists today is thought to be the result of developments during the British colonial regime in India. The collapse of the previous era saw the rise of powerful men who associated themselves with kings, priests and ascetics, affirming the regal and martial form of the caste ideal, and it also reshaped many apparently casteless social groups into differentiated caste communities. The British Raj furthered this development, making rigid caste organization a central mechanism of administration. Between 1860 and 1920, the British segregated Indians by caste, granting administrative jobs and senior appointments only to the upper castes.

Female infanticide in India has a history spanning centuries. Poverty, the dowry system, births to unmarried women, deformed infants, famine, lack of support services have been proposed to explain the phenomenon of female infanticide in India. In some regions the ratio of male to female is as high as 115 men to 100 women due to the practice.