

## BRANDING IRON

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# Today's Program The Beginning Project, Pastor Joe and Kristin Ridle, New Beginnings Church



ur annual literacy project was coordinated by Rotarian Deb Barros. See Page 2 and our Facebook photo album for more photos.

#### Last week: TR Center updates

At last week's meeting, Dr. William Hansard with the Theodore Roosevelt Center told us that Theodore Roosevelt was a prolific writer, and the Center has experts across the United States to help interpret his hand-



writing in more than 150 letters. The Center is located in Lowman Walton Hall on the DSU campus and now has more than 100,000 items in its digital collection, annotated for easy finding. Center staff is available to help researchers, students. **The 20th annual Theodore Roosevelt Symposium** will be held in September with the theme "TR and the Navy." Roosevelt was assistant secretary of the Navy and as president built up the Navy, calling it the Great White Fleet. One symposium highlight will be a panel of former commanders of the USS Theodore Roosevelt.

#### **Meet Rotarian Mathias Menge**



Mathias Menge was born in Germany, where he once drove 135 mph on the Autobahn! He moved to Dickinson in 2013 and currently works as a drilling superintendent at Conoco Phillips. He is married and has three children; he spends most of his time

following them in hockey and swimming. He also enjoys Wordle and follows the NHL teams with German players. He joined Rotary on recommendations from Rotarians in Germany to get to know the community. He enjoys our Highway Clean Up project.

### Today: The Beginning Project

The Beginning Project is a faith-based effort through New Beginnings Church to connect people in crisis situations with resources in western North Dakota. Our speaker will be Pastor Joe and Kristin Ridl.

#### **Today's Meeting:**

Greeters: Marlene Bradbury & Dustin Monke
Next meeting: Erv Bren & Guy Moos

<u>Community Kindness</u>: 12th Annual Kids Health & Safety Fair on May 8.

<u>Invocation</u>: Good company, good welcome, good people – this is what makes a community great. Let us be thankful for these elements within our Rotary Club. AMEN

Rotarian Tami Mines



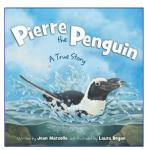
A dozen Rotarians participated in our annual literacy project by reading to more than 200 preschoolers in 14 classrooms at Head Start and the Early Childhood Program. Rotarians read "I Love Colors" to 114 Early Childhood students and "Pierre the Penguin" to 102 Head Start students. Thanks to Rotarian Deb Barros for coordinating! More photos will be in our Facebook photo album.



Rotarian Deb Barros



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