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AREA MEETING PLACES & TIMES

Austin	Mondays	Noon	Holiday Inn	Winona	Wednesdays	Noon	Westfield Golf Club
Janesville	Thursdays	Noon	Purple Goose Eatery	Northfield	Thursdays	12:15	United Methodist Ch.
Owatonna Early Edition	Wednesdays	7 AM	Owatonna Fire Hall	Great Rochester	Wednesdays	12:10	Double Tree Hotel
Rochester Risers	Tuesdays	7 AM	Hilton Garden Inn	Rochester	Thursdays	11:30	Holiday Inn
Red Wing	Tuesdays	Noon	St. James Hotel	Waseca	Thursdays	Noon	Miller/Armstrong
Faribault	Wednesdays	Noon	Bernie's Grill	Albert Lea	Wednesdays	Noon	Riverland College
Greater Mankato	Wednesdays	11:55	Courtyard by Mariott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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Apr. 4	Owatonna Mayo Clinic Update: Dr. Brian Bunkers
Apr. 11	RFE Trip to India: Betsy Rossi and Lois Nelson
Apr. 18	Ray Stawarz: Trip to Cuba
Apr. 25	Julie Rethemeier: Federated program on Distracted Driving
May 2	STRIVE grads
May 9	National Honor Society: Chuck Jamison, speaker
May 16	Camp Ryla Students
May 23	Russ Goette: "Eight Days in Heaven"
May 30	No meetingMemorial Day
June 6	In Bound Student Farewell: Oscar and Nico
June 13	Micah Bigeagle: Returnee from India: Kim Cosens, Band Festival
June 20	Jay Haapala: AARP Fraud Fighter
June 27	Induction of New Officers and Board
July 4	No Meeting
July 11	Sheriff Lon Thiele

July 18 Jennifer Libby, Chamber of Commerce July 25 Breezaine Bigeagle: Outbound to Mexico

August 1 Jim Gleason: SCFF Preview

August 8 Helene Neville: Runner across the Continental United States

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, April 11, 2016 Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: ROTARIANS Lois Nelson and Betsy Rossi will speak about their recent RFE trip to India.

BIRTHDAYS: Lori Maas, April 12, Bruce Paulson, April 13, Corey Mensink, April 17

<u>STUDENT ROTARIANS:</u> Welcome to Zoe Kienholz, Maria Golberg, Stephanie Kretlow and Hannah Cochlin

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Beth (Zimbabwe), Oscar (Norway), and Nicolas (Chile)

ROTARY NOTES

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, May 17. A welcome dinner for the arriving RFE team from India will be held at the Owatonna Arts Center. A cash bar and Indian recipes will be served. RSVP by May 10th to Kim Ramsey at 455-1058 or kimmerleier@hotmail.com.

Save the date: Saturday, May 21, Noon ROTARY Shredding project from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. located behind the old Wal-Mart building in Owatonna. Start organizing items you want shredded. Donations to the STRIVE program. Wish to volunteer! See ROTARIAN Earl Anderson.

Simple motions can pose big challenges for individuals with physical impairments, as Terry Phillips, a past governor of District 7190 in New York learned while recuperating from hip replacement surgery. Entering and exiting cars was painful and laborious, so Phillips set gears in motion to help the Sunnyview Rahab Hospital in Schenectady, N.Y. install a car simulator to enable the facility's 2500 inpatients to practice getting in and out of a vehicle safely. The apparatus, with six-way adjustable power seats, can adapt to match the type of car patients will use after their discharge. Six ROTARY Clubs and two ROTARIANS gave a total of \$15,000 toward the project with \$10,000 worth of labor provided by a local business.

It's "Super Saturday" this Saturday, April 16. The Big/Brothers "Bowl for Kid's Sake" will be held at Sparetime Lanes.

The Young Life Cake Auction will get under way at 11:00 a.m. at the OHS gym. One hundred cakes will be auctioned off. There will also be 100 sale cakes selling at \$40.00 and 60 silent auction items. This year there is an abundance of vacation packages, concert and sporting events tickets. The auction will be televised on Charter channel 180 and broadcast live on KRFO Radio. Look for a listing of all items in the People's Press this Friday. We're not done yet! Saturday night, the St. Mary's "Night of Knights" auction will take place in the St. Mary's gym.

From our "It's Hard to Believe" department: In a typical three-hour NFL broadcast, the ball is in play for roughly 11 minutes!

ROTARIANS who will be hosting the delegation from India in May include: Glen Meger, Katy Kreutter, Lonna Lysne, Shane Sattler, Julie Frazier, Loren Olson and Connie Ruth.

Reporter interviewing a 104 year old woman: "And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?" the reporter asked. She replied, "No peer pressure."

From Dr. John: A traveler to a remote island remarked on how healthy the locals look. "Yes, it's the island," said an attractive resident. "When I first arrived I was bald and toothless. I was so weak I couldn't even walk. Look at me now!" "That's amazing," said the traveler. "So where are you from?" "I was born here."