

The

# O-Pinion



## Owatonna, Minnesota

Meeting each Monday 12:10 p.m. – Owatonna Country Club

Four way test: 1) Is it the truth?; 2) Is it fair to all concerned?;

3) Will it build good will and better friendships?; 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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### AREA MEETING PLACES & TIMES

Austin	Mondays	Noon	Holiday Inn	Winona	Wednesdays	Noon	Westfield Golf Club
Janesville	Mondays	6 PM	St. Ann's Parish	Northfield	Thursdays	Noon	Northfield Golf Club
Owatonna Early Edition	Wednesdays	7 AM	Owatonna Fire Hall	Great Rochester	Thursdays	Noon	Kahler Grand Hotel
Rochester Risers	Tuesdays	7 AM	Hilton Garden Inn	Waseca	Thursdays	Noon	Miller/Armstrong
Red Wing	Tuesdays	Noon	St. James Hotel	Albert Lea	Fridays	Noon	Ramada Inn
Faribault	Wednesdays	Noon	Bernie's Grill				
Mankato	Wednesdays	Noon	Marriott				

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

#### DATE

March 25	Business Meeting/Cardinal Stritch University
April 1	Joan Ward, Hospice Grief Coordinator
April 8	Owatonna Foundation Presentation
April 15	Kathy Stutzman, Street Girls Aid Project in Ghana
April 22	Owatonna Police Dept. update
April 29	Business Meeting: Czech GSA Team/Induction of Paul Harris Fellows
May 6	STRIVE Student Recognition
May 13	OHS National Honor Society
May 20	Exchange Student Livia Getzner/Camp RYLA Report
May 27	No meeting... Memorial Day
June 3	Exchange Student Yolanda Marin/Kim Cosens: Preview of Band Festival
June 10	Melanie Nelson: EPES
June 17	Open
June 24	Business Meeting/Classification Talk: Doug Johnson
July 1	Open
July 8	Quentin Smith, Outbound Exchange Student
July 15	Ibrahim Almugateeb: Saudi Arabia
July 22	Open

# ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, April 15, 2013

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** Welcome to Kathy Stutzman who will speak about the Street Girls Aid Project in Ghana. Kathy is a member of the Austin ROTARY Club. Our club partnered with ten other clubs to support the second phase of this project.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Doug Ruth, April 17, Steve Rohlik, April 18, Ann Miller, April 19, Carol Nelson, April 20, Jim Wendorff, April 21. This Friday is also the birthday of ROTARY founder Paul Harris, born in 1868 in Racine, Wisconsin.

**STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Josh Weisenburger, Jamie Kiefer, Caitlin Donahue, Nicole Carlson

**IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS:** Livia Getzner, Austria, Yolanda Marin, Spain

## **ROTARY NOTES**

ROTARIAN Stephanie Olson has announced that the Visioning Session scheduled for April 24 has been canceled until a later date.

Start saving your materials for shredding. The annual ROTARY shredding event will be held in the Cashwise parking lot on Saturday, May 18 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. A free will offering supporting the STRIVE program will be accepted. ROTARIAN Earl Anderson is in charge.

**DID YOU KNOW?** President Gerald R. Ford held his daughter's high school prom at the White House. The OHS prom will be held on Saturday, May 11 with the theme "Masquerade Ball". The event will take place at the Four Seasons Centre with the Grand March beginning at 7:00 p.m. to which the public is invited. After Prom Party will be held beginning at 11:00 p.m. at the Owatonna Junior High. The After Prom committee is reaching out for financial support for the event. Monetary donations (checks to OHS After Prom) can be sent to Jayce Malueg, After Prom Treasurer, at 19527 540<sup>th</sup> St, West Concord, 55985. If you have an item to donate for a prize, please contact Audrey Lykken at 213-8130 to schedule a pick-up.

Next year's In-Bound students will come from Italy, Russia and Thailand. If you are interested in hosting one of these students, please contact ROTARIAN Jen Dunn Foster.

**SUPER SATURDAY** is this next weekend. It begins with the Bowl for Kid's Sake, to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Then the Young Life Cake Auction will take place at the high school gym beginning at 11:00 a.m. The day will end with the St. Mary's School "Night of Knights" auction Saturday night

ROTARIAN Pastor Ron Wilson has announced that he will be retiring from the ministry effective May 19. Ron has spent 41 years in the ministry, 13 of those in Owatonna at the Associated Church.

So anyway: If walking is good for your health, the postman would be immortal.

A whale swims all day, only eats fish, drinks water, and is fat.

A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years

A tortoise doesn't run and does nothing and yet it lives for 450 years. And you tell me to exercise??

I DON'T THINK SO!!

If God wanted me to touch my toes, he'd have put them on my knees!