

# **O-Pinion**

# Owatonna, Minnesota

### **BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD**

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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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**

#### DATE

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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**

Editor: Todd Hale

Monday, April 18, 2016

**THIS WEEK:** ROTARIAN Ray Stawarz will take us to Cuba where he visited this past winter. **BIRTHDAYS:** Doug Ruth, April 18, Steve Rohlik, April 19, Ann Miller, April 20, Carol Nelson, April 21.

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

<u>IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS:</u> Beth (Zimbabwe), Oscar (Norway) and Nicolas (Chile).

## **ROTARY NOTES**

Hear Ye Hear Ye! It's coming! The ROTARY Shredding project...Saturday, May 21 from 9:00-1:00 behind the old Wal-Mart building. Shredding will be done with a free-will donation to the STRIVE program.

Make reservations for the welcome dinner for arriving RFE Team members from India...being held at the Owatonna Arts Center. The event is scheduled for the Owatonna Arts Center. RSVP by May 10 to Kim Ramsey at 455-1058 or <a href="mailto:kimmerleier@hotmail.com">kimmerleier@hotmail.com</a>.

In-bound ROTARY student Beth will be playing the piano for our singing today. Also, Beth is from a very poor country and has little funds to pay for the East Coast Trip. If you can help her with a donation, please give it to ROTARIAN Jim Brunner. Reservations require a \$900 deposit, per person. Travel One is holding a spot for Beth.

On May 13, the District Conference will be held and all in-bound students are required to attend. If you plan to go, could you offer a ride to our in-bound students? Contact ROTARIAN Traci Schimek.

Oscar from Norway, is selling coupon books from the Lacrosse team. They are \$20.00. He needs to sell 7 of them...if you wish to purchase one, see him at the ROTARY meeting.

ROTARIAN Edna Ringhofer invites all ROTARIANS to the "Dancing with Our Steele County Stars" event being held at the Medford High School auditorium on April 30 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25.00 and seating is limited. See Edna for tickets. There are seven couples competing including Michael & Melissa Peterson, Clint & Jennifer Seykora, Jeff & Jamie Morness, Eric & Thea Farrington, Greg & Allyson Skillestad, Bryan Duncan & Annette Frank and Tyler & Kerri Lynch.

Just before the funeral, the undertaker came up to the elderly widow and asked, "How old was your husband"? "98," she replied: "One year older than me." "So, you're 97," the undertaker commented. She responded, "Hardly worth going home, is it?"