



LIGHT UP ROTARY

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 Janesville Owatonna Early Edition Rochester Risers Red Wing Faribault Greater Mankato
- MondaysNoonThursdaysNoonWednesdays7 AMTuesdays7 AMTuesdaysNoonWednesdaysNoonWednesdays11:55

Holiday Inn Purple Goose Eatery Owatonna Fire Hall Hilton Garden Inn St. James Hotel Bernie's Grill Courtyard by Mariott WinonaWNorthfieldTGreat RochesterWRochesterTWasecaTAlbert LeaW

WednesdaysNoonThursdays12:15Wednesdays12:10Thursdays11:30ThursdaysNoonWednesdaysNoon

Westfield Golf Club United Methodist Ch. Double Tree Hotel Kahler Hotel Miller/Armstrong Various Locations

UPCOMING PROGRAMS DATE

March 23	Bob Showers"The Twins at the old Met"
March 30	Internal club meeting
April 6	Dr. Adenuga Atewologun, President, Riverland Community College
April 13	United Way report: Tanya Paley, Dave Albrecht, Kim Schaufenbuel
April 20	School District elementary school study
April 27	Internal club meeting/John Klatt, Klatt Airshows
May 4	STRIVE graduation
May 11	OHS National Honor Society
May 18	Camp RYLA report/Farewell from outbounds
May 25	No MeetingMemorial Day
June 1	Kim Cosens: Wenger Band Festival/Aya farewell
June 8	Farewell: Joao and Cindy
June 15	Update on Camp Pillsbury/Vonda White
June 22	Jane Nyquist, Public Health Nursing
June 29	Induction of new officers
July 6	Scott Limberg and Carol Kasper: Feed My Starving Children Owa. Pack
July 13	Paul Mooty: CFO, Faribault Woolen Mill
July 20	Joanne Rosener: Fast for Hope
July 27	Darren Reed: Safe & Drug Free Coalition

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, April 20, 2015

<u>THIS WEEK:</u> A presentation by ROTARIANS Peter Grant and Tom Sager regarding the ten year plan to address facility needs within the Owatonna school district.

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>: Steve Rohlik, April 19, Carol Nelson, April 20, Jim Wendorff, April 21, Cindy Scheid, April 25 <u>STUDENT ROTARIANS</u>: Anna Edel, Tyra Fukushima, Krista and Kayla Kniefel <u>IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS</u>: Joao Bueno, Brazil, Cindy Delemare, France, Aya Murakumi, Japan

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

ROTARIAN Traci Schimek will assume duties as the club Youth Exchange Officer. She will work with ROTARIAN Jen Dunn Foster for a period of time.

ABOUT BOOKS

One third of U.S. children enter kindergarten without the language skills needed to learn to read. In a policy statement published in Pediatrics, the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that doctors encourage parents to read aloud to their children from infancy onward, which can help stimulate brain development and lay a foundation for reading skills. The organization also favors state funding for doctors to provide books to their higher-risk, lower-income patients.

Eighty eight percent of Americans ages 16 to 30 have read a book in the past year, compared with 79 percent of older adults, and 43 percent report reading either print or e-books daily. Researchers found that members of the millennial generation were as likely as older adults to have used a public library in the past 12 months, and more likely to have used a library website.

ONE LINERS

Jerry Lewis said it: "They say that families who pray together, stay together. I believe it's also true of families who laugh and play together."

Charlie Herrmann said it: "Those who get too big for their pants will be exposed in the end."

AROUND TOWN

ROTARIAN Edna Ringhofer reminds you that the annual "Dancing With Our Steele County Stars" will be held this Saturday night at the Medford High School. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. Advance tickets are available at Kottke Jewelers and Kristi's in Owatonna. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

The Owatonna High School "After Prom" committee is reaching out to the community for financial support to help provide a fun and safe place for our kids to be after the OHS Prom on May 9. Make checks payable to "After Prom" and sent to treasurer Joyce Malueg at 19527 540th St., West Concord, Mn. 55985.

"Munchkin Market" will be held next Saturday, April 25 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Four Seasons Centre. Youth ages 6-15 will have tables selling toys, games, books, sporting goods and more.

A husband and wife came for counseling after 15 years of marriage. When asked what the problem was, the wife went into a passionate, painful tirade listing every problem they had ever had in the past 15 years. She went on and on...neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, an entire laundry list. Finally the therapist got up, walked around the desk and after asking the wife to stand, embraced and kissed her passionately. The woman shut up and sat down...as if in a daze. The therapist told the husband, "This is what your wife needs at least three times a week. Can you do this?" The husband thought for a moment and replied, "Well I can drop her off here on Mondays and Wednesdays, but on Fridays, I fish."