

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	Tuesdays	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	North Mankato	Fridays	Noon	Best Western Hotel
Mankato	Wednesdays	Noon	Old Main Village				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Date

Program

April 30

Business Meeting/Camp RYLA student presentation

May 7

Kim Cosens, Pete Guenther: Harry Wenger Marching Band Festival

May 14

National Honor Society: Jeff Williams, Speaker

May 23

90th Birthday Celebration...Evening Meeting

May 28

No meeting...Memorial Day

June 4

Exchange Student Carla Presentation

June 11

Exchange Student Johan Presentation

June 18

Dave Marcoux, Bremer Foundation

June 25

New officer and Board Installation

July 2

Mayor Tom Kuntz, Kris Busse: State of the City

July 9

Vicki Geetreft: RFE Taiwan

July 16

Penny Vizina: Care of your eyes

July 23

Primary Election Candidates

July 30

Business Meeting

August 6

Preview: 2012 Steele County Free Fair: Jim Gleason

August 13

Bryan Rossi: Executive Director: Novation Education Opportunities

REACH WITHIN TO EMBRACE HUMANITY

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, April 30, 2012

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: This is our monthly business meeting. We will also hear from Jamie Kiefer who attended Camp RYLA.

BIRTHDAYS: Dave Williams, April 30, Dan McIntosh, May 6

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Sydney, Mariah, Larissa and Alison

IN-BOUND STUDENTS: Johan Wagner Frandsen, Denmark, Carla de Oliveira Silva, Brazil

MAY STUDENT ROTARIANS: Cooper Kruesel, Max Fraser, Dalton Homeier, Jordan Fogarty

MAY INVOCATION LEADER: Barbara Jacobson

MAY GREETERS: Ray Stawarz, Stan Groff, Marlene Levine

ROTARY NOTES

Mark May 19 on your calendar for the annual Rotary Shredding Project to be held in the Cashwise parking lot.

ROTARIAN Jen Dunn Foster reports that she now needs 7 more host families for next year's in-bound students. All students are fluent in English. They include one from Austria, one from Spain and one from Japan.

Mark Wednesday, May 23, for the evening banquet and program celebrating our club's 90th anniversary. The event will be held at the Country Club. Social hour at 5:30 with dinner and program to follow. Speaker will be Tom Thorfinnson, who is in the private practice of corporate and real estate law in Eden Prairie. He is a past District Governor and been a ROTARIAN since 1980.

Help out our In-Bound students earn money for their upcoming travel. If you have spring jobs that need to be done around the house, contact them at: Johan: Effertz residence: 446-0258, Carla: Janet Pitzen residence: 456-3998.

FROM RI PRESIDENT KALYAN BANERJEE

"Whether we are new members or old ones, each of us can find ways to become more involved in ROTARY service....at the club level, the district level and beyond. ROTARY is and always has been an organization based on its clubs. The purpose of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL is not to direct its clubs, but to connect, inform and support them. Where and how each club, and each ROTARIAN chooses to serve, is ultimately the decision of each one alone. So follow your own ambition and your own vision. Open your eyes to the challenges in our world, and use the strength you have through ROTARY to find ways to overcome them. Every one of us has so much potential, and can achieve so much when we "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity."

AROUND TOWN

The fourth annual "From the Heart" 5k, half marathon and ½ mile kid's fun run will be held this Saturday, May 5, beginning at Lake Kohlmeier. There will be a spaghetti supper/silent auction at the junior high this Friday from 4:30-8:00. Get tickets at Kottke Jewelers. This year's proceeds benefit the families of Kyle DeKam and William and Niki Nechanicky who are both fighting cancer in family members.

A Scotsman, an Englishman and an Irishman want to get into the Olympics in London, but they haven't got tickets. The Scotsman picked up a manhole cover, tucks it under his arm and walks to the gate. "McTavish, Scotland," he says, "Discus", and in he walks. The Englishman picks up a length of scaffolding and slings it over his shoulder. "Waddington-Smythe, England", he says. "Pole Vault" and in he walks. The Irishman looks around and picks up a roll of barbed wire and tucks it under his arm. "O'Malley, Ireland", he says, "Fencing."