



## ROTARY O'PINION

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**THIS WEEK:** We'll get an update on the current and future of our Mayo Health System, Owatonna Clinic from Dr. Brian Bunkers.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Loren Olson, April 6, Todd Hale and Bryce Wahl, April 8, Julie Anderson and Harold McGregor, April 9

**APRIL STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Welcome to Zoe Kienholz, Maria Golberg, Stephanie Kretlow, and Hannah Cochlin

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

### **ROTARY NOTES**

Two homes are still needed to host singles from India May 17-19. If you can help by being a host family, call ROTARIAN Betsy Rossi at 390-4553. So far, host families include ROTARIANS Lonna Lysne, Connie Ruth, Shane Sattler, Julie Frazier and Loren Olson.

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 17, when a welcome dinner for the arriving team from India will be held at the Owatonna Arts Center. RSVP by May 10<sup>th</sup> by calling Kim Ramsey at 455-1058 or kimmerleier@hotmail.com.

The numbers are impressive: ROTARY comprises more than 35,000 clubs with 1.2 million members in 200 countries and geographic regions. It's big enough to be a major partner in the eradication of polio, the largest health initiative ever undertaken!

Who knows where the next great ideas for ROTARY will come from? Since ROTARY is a grass roots organization, they are likely to come from individual ROTARIANS. It behooves all of us to encourage good ideas within the six areas of focus and direct local ROTARIANS with good ideas to the ROTARY FOUNDATION'S resources. After all, it is the mission of the Foundation "to enable ROTARIANS to do good in the world". (Comments from Ray Klingensmith, Foundation Trustee Chair)

ROTARIANS are invited to a concert by the combined choirs of St. Joseph's and Sacred Heart Catholic churches entitled "Celebrating the Year of Mercy...Reflections in Song" next Sunday, April 10, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. A free-will offering will be taken.

Congratulations to ROTARIAN Dan McIntosh, who, along with Assistant County Attorney Christy Hormann have been named "Prosecutors of the Year" by the Minnesota Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators. They were honored at an awards ceremony on March 24. The two were honored for their part in the criminal trial of Mark Misgen of Ellendale who was charged in 2013 with intentionally setting the 2011 fire that destroyed his family's house in order to cash in on an insurance policy.

Did you know? Movie theater popcorn in America costs more per ounce than filet mignon!

Salsa has surpassed ketchup as the top-selling condiment in America

Two guys, one old, one young, are pushing their carts around Wal-Mart when they collide. The old guy says to the young guy, "Sorry about that...I'm looking for my wife and I guess I wasn't paying attention to where I was going." The young guy says, "That's OK, it's a coincidence. I'm looking for my wife too. I can't find her and I'm getting a little desperate." Old guy says, "Well, Maybe I can help you find her...what does she look like?" Young guy says, "Well, she's 27 years old, tall, red hair, blue eyes, is buxom, wearing no bra, long legs and is wearing short shorts. What does your wife look like?" To which the old guy says, "Doesn't matter...let's look for yours."