

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

July 30

Business Meeting: Presentation by Outbound Student Harmon Squires

August 6

Preview: 2012 Steele County Free Fair: Jim Gleason and Todd Hale

August 13

Bryan Rossi, GSE trip to France

August 20

RFE Outbound Team Presentation...Journey to Turkey

August 27

Business Meeting: Presentation by Outbound Student Christian Russell

Sept. 3

No meeting: Labor Day

Sept. 10

District Governor Visit from Joe Kvarik

Sept. 17

Stormy Trom, Director, Steele County Food Shelf

Sept. 24

Business Meeting

Oct. 1

School Board Candidates

Oct. 8

City Council Candidates

Oct. 15

State House and Senate Candidates

October 22

Preview: United Way Campaign: Evelina Giobbe

October 29

Business meeting/presentation on Foundation Month

November 5

Alyssa Anderson, Pork Ambassador

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, August 20, 2012

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Lonna Lysne and friends will report on the RFE Outbound trip to Turkey.

BIRTHDAYS: Lonna Lysne, Bill Whiting, Aug. 19, Kris Busse, Aug. 21

ROTARY NOTES

Two of the three sons of ROTARIAN Glen Meger are following in their father's footsteps. Mike Meger is starting his second year as a funeral director at Dahlstrom Funeral Home in Oakes N.D. He plans to return to the family funeral home in Owatonna in the near future.

Brett Meger is about to begin his 2nd year at Bemidji State. He will be completing a two year Pre-Mortuary Science program and then will transfer to the University of Minnesota where he will be working toward a four year Bachelor's Degree in Mortuary Science. He also plans to return to Owatonna to join the family firm.

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED IN THE SATURDAY FOUR MILE RUN!

The Early Edition ROTARY Club invites you to the annual corn feed tomorrow at the Elks Club from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Cost is \$8.00 (kids six and under free). Enjoy sweet corn, chicken sandwiches, potato salad, cookie and beverage. Proceeds benefit the July 4 fireworks display.

FROM RI PRESIDENT TANAKA: "If every ROTARIAN is happy about being a ROTARIAN and spreads the word with a clear, unified message...if every ROTARIAN around the world can be his or her own PR department...the combined, collective effect will be enormous!"

AROUND TOWN

So what happens now that the fair is over? The Fair Board will meet tonight to review the fair and will begin making a list of suggestions for next year's fair. No decisions will be made tonight. Everyone is too tired to make wise decisions!

The massive clean-up of the fairgrounds has already begun. In a few days it will be hard to tell that a fair took place here. Tons of garbage have been hauled to the Steele County landfill already

The Owatonna Hoops Club 7th annual "Music Jam" is this Friday night at the beer garden on the fairgrounds. The Murphy Brothers band will perform beginning at 8:00 p.m. Charge is \$5.00 in advance and \$8.00 at the gate. Tickets in advance available at Cashwise Foods, Court Sports and the KC Hall. Proceeds go to the Park and Recreation scholarship, Owatonna Youth Basketball and the boy's school basketball program. Early in the afternoon, a local youth band "Mile 5" will be performing.

There will be lots of activity at the Owatonna Airport this Sunday. It's the annual Fly-in French Toast breakfast sponsored by the Civil Air Patrol. Come out to see the visiting aircraft, static and flying displays, warbird displays and R/C aircraft.

Geriatric Golf: Arthur is 90 years old. He's played golf every day since his retirement 25 years ago. One day he arrives home looking downcast. "That's it," he tells his wife. "I'm giving up golf. My eyesight has got so bad that, once I've hit the ball, I can't see where it went." His wife sympathizes and makes him a cuppa. As they sit down she says, "Why don't you take my brother with you and give it one more try?" "That's no good," sighs Arthur. "Your brother's a hundred and three. He can't help." "He may be a hundred and three," says the wife, "but his eyesight is perfect." So, the next day, Arthur heads off to the golf course with his brother-in-law. He tees up, takes an almighty swing and squints down the fairway. He turns to his brother-in-law. "Did you see the ball?" "Of course I did," replies his brother-in-law. "Where did it go?" asks Arthur. "I can't remember."