

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, December 28, 2015

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THIS WEEK: We will hear from Luke Owens, who was an outbound student last year to Italy.

BIRTHDAYS: Betsy Rossi, Jan. 1, Pat Greenwood, Jan. 3

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Ashley, Beth, Emma and Rebecca

JANUARY STUDENT ROTARIANS: Tessa Rahrlick, Ashley Ulman, Liana Mulet and Emily Wanous

JANUARY GREETERS: David Vandergon, Jenine Koziolk, Dave Effertz

JANUARY INVOCATION: Barry Gillespie

ROTARIAN NOTES

The OBJECTIVE OF ROTARY is to foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular to encourage:

*The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service

*High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each ROTARIAN's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

*The application of the ideal of service in each ROTARIAN's personal, business and community life.

*The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

An end of the year English lesson for ROTARIANS

*Did you know "listen" and "silent" use the same letters?

*Do you know that the word "racecar" spelled backwards still spells "racecar"?

*And that "eat" is the only word that if you take the first letter and move it to the last, it spells its past tense, "ate"?

Dan Greenwood, son of ROTARIAN Dr. Pat and Sandy Greenwood is a new morning radio host on public radio in Boise State, Idaho. Dan formerly worked in Greeley, Colorado, and spent some time in the Twin Cities where he was an arts and culture reporter for KFAI Community Radio in Minneapolis and a reporter for the Twin Cities Daily Planet. He also produced an award-winning documentary about the State School orphanage in Owatonna.

ROTARIAN Keith Hiller, Chief of Police, warns against leaving your car unattended and left running. The Owatonna Police Department has already responded to a call of a vehicle theft of a car running unattended. We all have been guilty of starting our car on a cold morning to warm it up. How many of you have made a quick trip into the post office and left your car running at curbside? Someday you could look out and see your car being driven away. For many, our car is one of our most prized possessions and one of the biggest investments we make. Would you consider leaving \$30,000 cash sitting in your driveway unattended? Protect yourself from being victimized and never leave your vehicle while the engine is running.

There will be a ROTARY social tomorrow, December 29, at the Whistle Stop Café in Medford beginning at 4:00 p.m. The café adjoins the Medford Senior Care where long time ROTARIAN Bill Whiting is now residing. Bill will be our honored guest. All ROTARIANS are invited to come and enjoy the season with Bill.

Mark Fritsch has accepted the position of President-Elect for the year 2016-2017.

What do ya get when you play a country music record backwards? Your wife comes back, your dog's alive, you get your old job back, and oh yeah, your pickup is fixed!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!