

Rotary



O-Pinion

Owatonna, Minnesota

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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	Thursdays	Noon	Purple Goose Eatery	Northfield	Thursdays	12:15	United Methodist Ch.
Owatonna Early Edition	Wednesdays	7 AM	Owatonna Fire Hall	Great Rochester	Wednesdays	12:10	Double Tree Hotel
Rochester Risers	Tuesdays	7 AM	Hilton Garden Inn	Rochester	Thursdays	11:30	Holiday Inn
Red Wing	Tuesdays	Noon	St. James Hotel	Waseca	Thursdays	Noon	Miller/Armstrong
Faribault	Wednesdays	Noon	Bernie's Grill	Albert Lea	Wednesdays	Noon	Riverland College
Greater Mankato	Wednesdays	11:55	Courtyard by Marriott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

DATE

Nov. 23

Camp Enterprise Students

Nov. 30

Stephen Cantwell & Fred Bettner, Beauterre Recovery Institute

Dec. 7

Carolle Smith: Identity Theft/OHS Christmas Carolers

Dec. 14

Alyssa Sattler, returnee from Spain/Doug Loon, Mn. Chamber President

Dec. 21

Christmas program: Kim Cosens, Dave Williams, Kim Schaufenbuel

Dec. 28

Luke Owens, Returnee student from Italy

Jan. 4

Nick Beck, Student Returnee from Italy

Jan. 11

Michele Redman, Director, Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Jan. 18

"From the Rink to the Brink", lady hockey players hike the Grand Canyon

Jan. 25

Beermaking...Matt Kottke, Tim Holland

Feb. 1

Bruce Boyce, RFE to Brazil

Feb. 8

State of the City: Mayor Kuntz, Kris Busse

Feb. 15

Jennifer Libby, Chamber of Commerce

Feb. 22

Police Department update: Chief Keith Hiller

Feb. 29

Business meeting: A look at the future

Mar. 7

Literary Month: Public Library

Mar. 14

James Rogers, Director of Irish Studies, St. Thomas College\

Mar. 21

Alan Anderson, CO2 & Ocean Aridification

Mar. 28

Betsy Lindgren, Rotary Foundation

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, December 7, 2015

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Carolee Smith from LegalShield who will address identity theft. The OHS Christmas Carolers will also appear at around noon.

BIRTHDAYS: Beth Gilthvedt, Dec. 8

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Welcome to Ashley Coulombe, Beth Wuger, Emma Smith, and Rebecca Sedivy

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Nicolas Valenzuela, Chile, Oscar Christiansen, Norway

DECEMBER INVOCATION: Tom Sager

DECEMBER GREETERS: Kim Schaufenbuel, Matt May, Jim Wendorff

JOTTINGS FOR ROTARIANS

Did you know? The official Owatonna ROTARY "Welcome Song" (#1 in the songbook) was actually written by a ROTARIAN. Arnold Krueger, Owatonna High School Orchestra Director and former pianist for the club wrote the song and piano accompaniment in memory of his late father, Arnold M. Krueger, a member of the ROTARY Club of Aberdeen, S.D.

February's ROTARY trip to India brings to mind a program sponsored by Owatonna ROTARY back in the 60's called "Eyes for India". ROTARIAN Dr. John Schoen headed up the program in which over 1,000 pairs of discarded glasses were sent to India bound for the Christian Medical Missionary College at Madras, India. They were disassembled, sorted and classified before being reassembled to fit the prescription of needy Indians with failing eyesight. ROTARIANS John Alexander and Kennard Kaplan also helped coordinate the program. Kaplan conceived the idea of ROTARY taking on this worthy project.

It would be very simple to describe Koreans as friendly and gracious, or to highlight their earnest desire to make visitors feel welcome. What's more difficult is to define the driving force behind their warmth.

Jeong is a feeling of devotion, of caring and kinship. It signifies a genuine connection, a fondness for another. It can be a feeling between old friends or with someone you just met. You'll know it when you experience it at the 2016 RI Convention in Seoul, May 28-June 1. Korean *Jeong* will be at the heart of Host Hospitality Night which allows convention goers to interact with area ROTARY members in a more intimate setting. Host ROTARIANS arrange events, from a casual picnic to an evening of local entertainment. Register for the convention by December 15 for the best rate. Go to www.riconvention.org.

Did you know: This year, sales of Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" will reach 50 million. Santa delivers to 832 homes every second!

AROUND TOWN

Recently, ROTARIAN David Albrecht and Natalie Ginter representing Allina Health Owatonna Hospital presented a grant check to the Steele County Safe and Drug Free Coalition in the amount of \$2500. The grant will help sustain SCSDFC programming through the end of this year.

The next Veteran's Roundtable program will be held tomorrow night at 7:00 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Guest speaker will be Chuck DeMann from Dundas, a Kamikazi survivor.

Eight year old Sally brought her report card home from school. Her marks were good, however her teacher had written across the bottom: "Sally is a smart little girl, but she has one fault. She talks too much in school. I have an idea I'm going to try, which I think may break her of the habit." Sally's dad signed her report card, putting a note on the back: "Please let me know if your idea works on Sally. I'd like to try it on her mother."

TODAY IS PEARL HARBOR DAY