

Rotary O-Pinion

ROTARY: BE THE INSPIRATION

Meeting each Monday 12:00 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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PROGRAMS

February 4: Al Zdrzil: “Fight Against Human Trafficking”
February 11: School District Foundation
February 18: Plans for a new high school
February 25: Abby Donahe, “Unlimited Abilities”
March 4: Nancy Williams, Trina Kasperson: Homeless students in Owatonna Public Schools
March 11: State of the City: Mayor Kuntz, Chris Busse, Troy Klecker
March 18: The story of Revel Greens: Jay Johnson
March 25: Mark Coyle, U. of M. Athletic Director
April 1: Randy Doyle, CEO, Alcorn
April 8: Update on We All Play
April 15: Mac Hamilton, Developer
April 22: Carol Bellmore, New Middle School “Reach” program
April 29: Chuck Driessen “History: Culligan Intl and Culligan Ultrapure”
May 6: Camp RYLA students and STRIVE graduates
May 13: National Honor Society Students
May 20: Ed Marek, St. Paul Sunrise...District Fast for Hope
May 27: Memorial Day, no meeting
June 3: Farewell from Iringo

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Monday, February 18, 2019

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: A discussion of the upcoming vote on building a new high school, led by ROTARIAN Jeff Elstad, Supt of Public Schools and Amanda Hellman.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Charlie Herrmann, Feb. 17, Cory Michaelson, Feb. 20

STUDENT ROTARIANS FOR FEB: Lily Redman, Lauren Arthur, Molly Hawkins, Dominic Yerhort and Jordan Whalen

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT: Iringo, Romania

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT:

As a ROTARIAN, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
3. Use my professional skills through ROTARY to: Mentor young people, help those with special needs and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world.
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on ROTARY or other ROTARIANS.

THANKS TO ROTARIAN JIM BRUNNER FOR SERVING AS OUR CLUB TREASURER!

FROM POLICE CHIEF, ROTARIAN KEITH HILLER

The Owatonna Police Department is currently considering implementing a body-worn camera program. Evaluation and testing of units from the leading body-worn camera manufacturers Axon and WatchGuard. The police department is operating under a draft policy which has been posted on the department web page. The draft is open to public comment by writing to the Owatonna Police Department Body-Worn Camera Program, at 204 E. Pearl in Owatonna Before the OPD launches a body camera program a public meeting will be held at a regular city council meeting.

Residents of a Manhattan neighborhood are baffled over how a sofa got lodged high in a towering tree! "This situation is couched in mystery," one observer noted of the stuck piece of furniture. Another resident joked the sofa would soon be rented out at \$2,000 a month.

Here's an interesting note: The average homebuyer now needs 72 years to save a 20 percent down payment for a home. Confirming some Millennial fears, that's a year and a half longer than it took a generation ago.

Today is President's Day. Some Presidential trivia:

1. _____ was the only president to have been a preacher
2. The Teddy Bear is names after President _____
3. How many presidents died in office? _____
4. President _____ thought the earth was flat
5. What was the oldest president in history? _____
6. Who was the tallest president? _____
7. Who was the first president to visit all 50 states? _____

(Answers below)

1. Garfield; 2. Teddy Roosevelt; 3. eight; 4. Jackson; 5. Reagan; 6. Lincoln; 7. Nixon

Definition of your little toe: A mechanism designed to geo-locate furniture in low-light conditions,.