



BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD

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 Janesville Owatonna Early Edition **Rochester Risers** Red Wing Faribault Greater Mankato

Mondays Noon Thursdays Noon Wednesdays 7 AM Tuesdays 7 AM Tuesdays Noon Wednesdays Noon Wednesdays 11:55

Holiday Inn Purple Goose Eatery Owatonna Fire Hall Hilton Garden Inn St. James Hotel Bernie's Grill Courtyard by Mariott Winona Northfield Great Rochester Rochester Waseca Albert Lea

Wednesdays Noon Thursdays 12:15 Wednesdays 12:10 Thursdays 11:30 Thursdays Noon Wednesdays Noon

Westfield Golf Club United Methodist Ch. Double Tree Hotel Holiday Inn Miller/Armstrong **Riverland College**

UPCOMING PROGRAMS DATE

Feb. 8	State of the City: Mayor Kuntz, Kris Busse
Feb. 15	Plans for school district construction
Feb. 22	Doug Loon, President, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce
Feb. 29	Kristy Allen, Bees Knees in Minneapolis
Mar. 7	Police Department update: Chief Keith Hiller
Mar. 14	James Rogers, Director of Irish Studies, St. Thomas College
Mar. 21	Alan Anderson, CO2 & Ocean Aridification
Mar. 28	Kathy Stutesman, "Stories from the Streets. Your Foundation at Work"
Apr. 4	Update: Mayo Clinic Health: Owatonna Update and Care Models
Apr. 11	Lois Nelson, Betsy Rossi: RFE to India
Apr. 18	Ray Stawarz-Visiting Cuba
Apr. 25	Julie Rethemeier: Federated Ins. New program on distracted driving
May 2	STRIVE graduates
May 9	OHS National Honor Society
May 16	Camp RYLA attendees
May 23	Russ Goette: "Eight Days in Heaven"
May 30	No MeetingMemorial Day
June 6	Oscar and Nico, In-Bounds farewell
June 13	Micah Bigeagle: Outbound returnee

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, February 22, 2016

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Doug Loon, President of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

BIRTHDAYS: John Muellerleile, Feb. 25

FEBRUARY STUDENT ROTARIANS: Daniel Kaupa, Jacob Mundale, Evan Holt and Grace McClintock **IN-BOUND STUDENTS:** Oscar (Norway), Nicolas (Chile) and Beth (Zimbabwe)

ROTARY AT A GLANCE

ROTARY membership: 1,228,076 ROTARY Clubs: 35,221

Tomorrow marks the 111th anniversary of ROTARY!

Did you know? The Owatonna ROTARY Club was founded in 1922.

The first Owatonna ROTARY International Project took place under the chairmanship of ROTARIAN Chad Lange. \$1500 of Owatonna money was multiplied several times to make this project a success in Madagascar. The Owatonna Club also assisted Waseca with their project and in turn, Waseca helped the Owatonna club with a project obtaining dental equipment in Nepal.

After 42 years as a ROTARIAN, Bill Regan has submitted his resignation. Bill and his Owatonna Bus Co. have been staunch supporters of our Club, providing a bus to transport our students from OHS to meetings. His daughter, Katy Kreutter, will continue representing the Owatonna Bus Company in our membership

AROUND THE AREA

For the first time in 27 years, the Beaver Lake fishing contest in Ellendale was canceled due to questionable ice conditions. Cindi Bartness, President of the sponsoring Beaver Lake Sportsman's Club said, "It was just too risky due to the alternate thawing and freezing temperatures. Conditions of the ice's ability to hold that many people and vehicles were just too questionable. I slept a lot better at night confident we made the right decision."

So anyway:

There were two Catholic boys, Timothy Murphy and Antonio Secola, whose lives paralleled each other in amazing ways. They were born in the same year. Faithfully they attended parochial school from kindergarten through seniors in high school. They took their vows to enter the priesthood early in college and upon graduation, became priests. Their careers had come to amaze the world, but it was generally acknowledged that Antonio was just a wee cut above Timothy in all respects. Their rise through the ranks of Bishop, Archbishop and finally Cardinal, was swift to say the least and the Catholic world knew that when the present Pope died, it would be one of the two who would become the next Pope.

In time the Pope did die, and the College of Cardinals went to work. In less time than anyone had expected, white smoke rose from the chimney and the world waited to see whom they had chosen. The world, Catholic, Protestant and secular, was surprised to learn that Timothy Murphy had been elected Pope! Antonio Secola was beyond surprise. He was devastated, because even with all of Timothy's gifts, Antonio knew he was just a bit better qualified. With gall that shocked the Cardinals, Antonio Secola asked for a private session with the Cardinals in which he candidly asked, "Why Timothy?" After a long silence, the old Cardinal took pity on the bewildered man and rose to reply, "We knew you were the better of the two, but we just could not bear the thought of the leader of the Roman Catholic Church being called....(wait for it.....) Pope Se-Cola.