

O-Pinion

Owatonna, Minnesota

LIGHT UP ROTARY

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	Kahler Hotel
Red Wing	Tuesdays	Noon	St. James Hotel	Waseca	Thursdays	Noon	Miller/Armstrong
Faribault	Wednesdays	Noon	Bernie's Grill	Albert Lea	Wednesdays	Noon	Various Locations
Greater Mankato	Wednesdays	11:55	Courtyard by Mariott				

Business Meeting/Classification Talk Scott Limberg, Owatonna Live

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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December 29

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January 5	Farewell from Tlotlo
January 12	Hamid Torabpour, Winter State Entertainment
January 19	Quentin Smith, "Bike Across America"
January 26	Internal club meeting/Classification talk: Matt Ketelson
February 2	Jennifer Libby, President, Owatonna Chamber of Commerce

February 9 Mayor Tom Kuntz: State of the City

February 16 Dr. Brad Thompson: Physical Medicine and Rehab.

February 23 Internal club meeting/Matt & Denise Twite: Service on Mercy Ship

March 2 Literary Month: Owatonna Public Library

March 9 Human Trafficking: Sister Anne

March 16 Human Rights Commission: Pastor Cindy Halverson

March 23 Bob Showers..."The Twins at the old Met"

March 30 Internal club meeting

April 6 Dr. Adenuga Atewologun, President, Riverland Community College April 13 United Way report: Tanya Paley, Dave Albrecht, Kim Schaufenbuel

April 20 Steele County Safe/Drug Free Coalition

April 27 Internal club meeting May 4 STRIVE graduation

May 11 OHS National Honor Society

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, February 9, 2015 Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Mayor Tom Kuntz and City Administrator Kris Busse will address the "State of the City"

BIRTHDAYS: Dave Olson, Don Reynolds, Feb. 11, Callan Paffrath, Feb. 13

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Matt Kingland, Bailley Leppert, Abby Bendorf and Samantha Laatsch

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Joao Bueno, Brazil, Aya Murakumi, Japan, Cindy Delemare, France

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

If ROTARY had not voted to admit women as members, we would have seen a dramatic decrease in membership levels. In some clubs, half the membership are women and like our club, many serve as club officers.

What is important to note for the future of ROTARY and all other volunteer organizations, is that the level of civic engagement in the population at large has been decreasing in successively younger age groups. What this means over time is that as older members pass on, they will not be replaced by younger members in sufficient numbers to sustain current levels of volunteer activity.

In 1987, Oscar Arias Sanchez won the Nobel Peace Prize. This year, he'll be the keynote speaker at the ROTARY Peace Symposium in Sao Paulo, Brazil. The event, June 4, 5, will bring together ROTARY Peace Fellows and alumni and ROTARIANS interested in peace and conflict prevention and resolution...one of ROTARY's six areas of focus.

Questions to test your recall

- 1. In the 50's, if you had a flat rear tire you often had to remove the (1) Necker knob, (2) curb feeler (3) fender skirt
- 2. What was the "parking brake called when you were a kid? (1) Pull 'n'Stop, (2) Emergency brake, (3) Breaker, Breaker
- 3. Way before Air Jordan, what was a kid's shoe of choice? (1) Buster Brown, (2) PF Flyers, (3) Old Stinkers
- 4. In what year did "Dewey Defeat Truman" according to the Chicago Tribune?

Answers: 1. Fender skirt which attached to the rear fenders, covered fully half the wheel streamlining the car

- 2. Emergency brake
- 3. PF Flyers: BF Goodrich patented the Posture Foundation insole, an innovation in comfort and performance and began adding the new technology to its action shoes. Goodrich shoes with Posture Foundation became known simply as "PF" in 1937. Fashion trends in the 40's and 50's saw PF Flyers escaping gyms and ball fields to become fashionable active footwear for everyone. "Everything you do is more fun with PF" read one 1947 magazine ad. In 2001, New Balance acquired the rights to the brand.
- 4. It was November 3, 1948 when Truman upset Republican Thomas Dewey in the first post war presidential election.

ANSWER TO A QUESTION

In answer to a question: The next Shredding Event sponsored by the ROTARY Club will be in mid-May.

A minister was completing a temperance sermon. With great emphasis he said, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river." With even greater emphasis he said, "And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river." And then finally, shaking his fist in the air, he said, "And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river." Sermon complete, he sat down. The song leader stood very cautiously and announced with a smile, "For our closing son, let us sing Hymn 365..." Shall We Gather at the River."