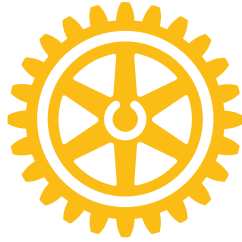


# Rotary



# 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?

### OFFICERS

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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 Marriott				

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

#### DATE

December 29	Business Meeting/Classification Talk Scott Limberg, Owatonna Live
January 5	Farewell from Tlotlo
January 12	Hamid Torabpour, Winter State Entertainment
January 19	Quentin Smith, "Bike Across America"
January 26	Internal club meeting
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
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	Open
April 13	Open
April 20	Open
April 27	Internal club meeting
May 4	STRIVE graduation
May 11	OHS National Honor Society

## ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, January 12, 2015

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** Welcome to Hamid Torabpour, Winter State Entertainment

**BIRTHDAYS:** Luke Madson, January 12

**STUDENT ROTARIANS, JANUARY:** JackieWareheim, Elizabeth Wiebke, Owen Davis and Payton Knutson

**In-Bound Exchange Students:** Aya Murakumi, Japan, Cindy Delemare, France, Joao Bueno, Brazil

### **ROTARY NOTES**

There are now 1,220,115 members in ROTARY. There are 34,558 clubs in the world.

It's not too late to make a contribution to ROTARY'S only charity, our only charity, the ROTARY FOUNDATION. The number of ROTARIANS who have not given to the FOUNDATION far exceeds the number who have given. Send your contribution to ROTARIAN Betsy Lindgren.

### **PET NOTES**

It would be a good guess that more Owatonna ROTARIANS own pets than those that do not. Americans own an estimated 158 million fish, 95 million cats, 83 million dogs, 20.6 million birds, 11 million snakes, eight million horses and three million rabbits.

Contact with friendly animals of various species can decrease anxiety, lower blood pressure, and improve cardiovascular health. Owners may benefit from the structured routine of pet care.

On average, an owner will spend \$239.00 a year on dog food and \$203.00 on cat food. Americans' spending on pets exceeded \$55 billion in 2013 with over \$4 billion going toward services such as grooming, boarding, training and pet sitting.

Pet medical expenses total about \$14 billion a year in the U.S., which has more than 73,860 private veterinarians. Americans are projected to spend as much as \$870 million on pet medical insurance this year.

Lions and tigers and other big cats that have been kept as pets have killed more than 19 people in the United States since 1990 and injured hundreds more. Other tragic encounters have involved pet chimps, snakes and bears.

### **THE OBJECT OF ROTARY**

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

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service
2. 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.
3. The application of the ideal of service in each ROTARIAN'S persons, business and community life.
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

### **FAMOUS LAST WORDS**

"No need to observe speed laws...not at this hour of the night!"

"No need to signal there's no one behind me!"

**HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!**