



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 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/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	Open
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, January 26, 2015

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: A few club business matters, plus new ROTARIAN Matt Ketelsen will present a classification talk.

BIRTHDAYS: Tabby DeLeeuw, Jan 26, Tom Dufrense, Jan 28, Jim Gute, Jan 29

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Jackie Wareheim, Elizabeth Wiebke, Owen Davis and Payton Knutson.

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

FEBRUARY STUDENT ROTARIANS: Matt Kingland, Katelyn Rypka, Abby Bendorf, Samantha Laatsch

FEBRUARY GREETERS: Dave Albrecht, Suzy Meneguzzo, Tom Dufresne

FEBRUARY INVOCATION: Lois Nelson

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS:

Last week the following were approved by motion and vote of the membership: President Elect: Corey Mensink, President-elect: Jennifer Libby, Treasurer: Jim Brunner, Secretary: Renee Lowery. Board members will be confirmed later.

Over three years, 560 elementary school girls in the Yatenga region received an unusual scholarship package. In addition to tuition and supplies for a year of schooling, each girl and her family received a sheep as part of a ROTARY FOUNDATION GLOBAL GRANT PROJECT sponsored by the ROTARY Clubs of Concord, Calif., and Ouagadougou, with support from local non profits. The grant also provided a well to reduce the time the young girls must spend fetching water for their families which often keeps them out of school.

Last week ROTARIAN Tom DuFresne received his fifth Paul Harris Fellowship award!

How To Maintain A Healthy Level of Sanity In Retirement

*At lunch time, sit in your parked car with sunglasses on and point a hair dryer at passing cars...watch 'em slow down!

*On all your check stubs, write, "For Marijuana"!

*Skip down Cedar street rather than walk and see how many looks you get

*Order a diet water whenever you go out to eat, with a serious face

*When the money comes out of the ATM, scream "I won! I won!"

*Tell your children over dinner: "Due to the economy, we are going to have to let one of you go...!"

*Pick up a box of condoms at the pharmacy, go to the counter and ask where the fitting room is.

*And the favorite: Go to a department store's fitting room, drop your drawers to your ankles and yell out, "THERE'S NO PAPER IN HERE!"

Having been born a Lutheran, each Friday night after work, Rudy would fire up his outdoor grill and cook a venison steak. But all of Rudy's neighbors were Catholic and since it was Lent they were forbidden from eating meat on Friday. The delicious aroma from the grilled venison steaks wafted over Calumet, and was causing such a problem for the Catholic faithful that they finally talked to their Priest. The Priest came to visit Rudy and suggested that he become a Catholic...and as the priest sprinkled holy water over him, he said, "You were born a Lutheran and raised a Lutheran but now you are a Catholic." Rudy's neighbors were relieved, until Friday night arrived and the wonderful aroma of grilled venison filled the neighborhood once again. The Priest was called immediately by the neighbors, and as he rushed into Rudy's yard and prepared to scold him, he stopped and watched in amazement. There stood Rudy, clutching a small bottle of holy water which he carefully sprinkled over the grilling meat and chanted, "You vus born a deer, you vus raised a deer, but not us is a valle!"