



# O-Pinion

Owatonna, Minnesota

## ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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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January 8: Tim Penny: The political climate in Washington

January 15: Roger Warehime: Owatonna Brew House

January 22: Club meeting: Youth program

January 29: Jeff Elstad, Supt. of Public Schools

February 5: Tim Truelson, Owatonna Park and Rec...”We All Play”

February 12: Mayor Tom Kuntz, Kris Busse: State of the City

February 19: Bob Randall: “Modern Workforce”

February 26: Pastor Todd Buegler

March 5: Sue Schroeder, Public Schools Social Worker

March 12: Ali Diley, Director of Nutrition, Public Schools

March 19: Owatonna Police Department

March 26: Sonja Harris: Owatonna Brain Training Center

April 2: Dave Vandergon, CEO, KODA

April 9: Open

April 16: Open

April 23: Open

May 7: Open

May 14: OHS National Honor Society

May 21: Open

May 28: No meeting...Memorial Day

June 4: Open

June 11: Kim Cosens, Preview, Wenger Marching Band Festival

## **ROTARY O'PINION**

Monday, January 29, 2018

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** An update on the Owatonna Public Schools from Superintendent Jeff Elstad.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Tom Dufresne, Jan. 28, Steve Olsen, Feb. 1

**STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Last day for Margo Achterkirch, Nicholas Hagen, Ben DeNio and Jamie Davison

**IN-BOUND STUDENT:** Nado from Indonesia

**FEBRUARY STUDENTS:** Jade Huseby, Grace Pick, Rilee Schmidt and Braeden Meier

**FEBRUARY INVOCATION:** Dave Albrecht

**FEBRUARY GREETERS:** Todd Buegler, Betsy Rossi and Dave Albrecht

### **ROTARY NOTES**

ROTARIAN Charlie Herrmann and wife Emily are now living at Countryside in Owatonna.

ROTARIAN Sharon West is home recuperating from knee replacement surgery.

Good Words: Whatever brought each of us to ROTARY, we stay because we find value in ROTARY membership and believe that our service has value to the world. By building clubs that reflect the world in all its diversity, we will build even more enduring value in ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

Thanks to all ROTARIANS who assisted with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade dictionary distribution at Owatonna schools. President Keith Hiller did an excellent job in exposing the children to ROTARY and its mission.

Did you know? The McDonalds Filet-O-Fish sandwich was invented in the 1960's when a Cincinnati store requested a meatless menu item that Catholic customers could eat on Fridays. CEO Ray Kroc introduced the sandwich only after the failure of his own creating, the Hulaburger...two slices of cheese wrapped around grilled pineapple on a toasted bun.

Between February and June, RI President Ian H.S. Risley is convening six Presidential Peacebuilding Conferences, which will showcase the connections between our work in each area of focus and sustainable peace.

ROTARY FACT: The ROTARIAN named "Gone with the Wind" the No. 2 book of 1936.

ROTARY AT A GLANCE: There are 1,220,185 ROTARIANS worldwide. Number of clubs is 35,727.

Did you know? The ROTARY welcome song (#1 in our songbook) was written by former ROTARIAN and OHS orchestra director Arnold Krueger. He wrote the song and words on an airplane when returning home from a convention in memory of his father. Arnold now lives in LeCenter and will be 91 this year.

So anyway: A fellow decided to replace his blue foreign car with a new model. He said, "But any car just won't do. My new one must be a Volvo, like my old one, and it must be the same color." So, the man set about searching for a car the same make and color he'd had for so long. He visited all the Volvo dealers in his city, then the county, then the state. At last, one salesman called him to say that a dealer in another state had just the shade of blue he'd been looking for and the car was being shipped immediately. "One thing, though, sir," the salesman went on. "Why have you gone to so much trouble to get this shade of blue?" "Don't you know?" the buyer replied "There's something about an Aqua Volvo man."