



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

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| Austin | Mondays | Noon | Holiday Inn | Winona | Wednesdays | Noon | Westfield Golf Club |
| Janesville | Mondays | 6 PM | St. Ann's Parish | Northfield | Thursdays | 12:15 | Northfield Golf Club |
| Owatonna Early Edition | Wednesdays | 7 AM | Owatonna Fire Hall | Great Rochester | Thursdays | Noon | Kahler Grand Hotel |
| Rochester Risers | Tuesdays | 7 AM | Hilton Garden Inn | Waseca | Thursdays | Noon | Miller/Armstrong |
| Red Wing | Tuesdays | Noon | St. James Hotel | Albert Lea | Fridays | Noon | Ramada Inn |
| Faribault | Wednesdays | Noon | Bernie's Grill | | | | |
| Mankato | Wednesdays | 12:10 | Courtyard by Marriott | | | | |

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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| July 21 | Pat Heydon, Exec. Dir, Habitat for Humanity |
| July 28 | Business Mtg, plus Dr. Brian Bunkers, David Berg, Mayo Health System |
| August 4 | Jim Gleason, Manager, Steele County Free Fair: Preview 2014 fair |
| August 11 | Miranda Schimek, Outbound to Columbia |
| August 18 | Holly Jorgensen, RDH: "Let's Smile, Inc. |
| August 25 | Business Meeting/Lonna Lysne, RFE to Argentina |
| September 1 | NO MEETING...LABOR DAY |
| September 8 | Steve Hunegs, Jewish Community Relations Council |
| September 15 | Lori Running, ADD |
| September 22 | United Way Campaign |
| September 29 | Business Meeting |
| October 6 | Candidates for city election |
| October 13 | Candidates for county election |
| October 20 | Candidates for school board |
| October 27 | Candidates for Legislature |
| November 3 | Foundation Month and Camp Enterprise Student |
| November 10 | Nora Rubish, Outbound returnee from West Germany |
| November 17 | Scott Russel, Klatt Airshows |
| November 24 | Business Meeting |

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Monday, July 14, 2014

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: We will hear from Thor Thanormthin, In-Bound student from Thailand

BIRTHDAYS: Greg Krueger and Connie Ruth, July 16, Sharon West, July 17

ROTARY NOTES

The need is still out for host families and counselors for incoming exchange students. We have a boy from Brazil, a girl from Japan and a girl from France. Counselors need to be ROTARIANS and the same gender as the student if not part of a team. Counselors can be one person or a husband-wife team (one of which is a ROTARIAN. The Counselor is the students advocate and "safe place" to talk to throughout the year.

The need is for three host families for each student to cover their year here. The first family hosts from fair week to after Thanksgiving, second family until about spring break and third family until the departure (1 week after either graduation or return from the East Coast trip. The club provides each student with \$80.00/month allowance, basic school lunch, one extracurricular fee and other incidentals.

If you can help, contact Jen-Dunn-Foster, 363-2005 or e-mail at Jennifer@dunn-foster.com.

A message from John Kenny, Foundation Trustee Chair:

"Your Foundation Trustees have set five goals for the year. The first goal is the eradication of the poliovirus. We have much to be proud of in our efforts to rid the world of the disease, but we must finish the job. We cannot let up in our efforts. We cannot undo all the good work that has been done in the past.

Our second goal is to continue to support ROTARY'S own charity, the ROTARY FOUNDATION through our contributions. The good that we do is limited only by what we receive. Let us ensure that clubs who have made no contributions to our Foundation do so this year

Our third goal is to ensure the progress of our new grants program by participating in sustainable educational and humanitarian projects.

Our fourth goal is to foster goodwill and peace by promoting and publicizing the ROTARY PEACE CENTERS program, whose purpose is to create a cadre of individuals dedicated to peace and conflict resolution.

Our fifth goal is to emphasize that the responsibility for the future of our Foundation is in all our hands so that we can continue doing good in the world as we endeavor to 'Light Up ROTARY'. I look forward to your support."

THANKS TO ALL ROTARIANS WHO HELPED IN THE FOOD BOOTH AT YESTERDAY'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY "EXTRAVAGANZA".

Thinking of what you'll do when you retire? Here are a few suggestions to maintain a healthy level of insanity:

1. At lunch time, sit in our parked car with sunglasses on and point a hair dryer at passing cars...watch 'em slow down!
2. On all your check stubs, write "for Marijuana"
3. Order a diet water whenever you go out to eat with a serious face.
4. When the money comes out of the ATM, scream "I won! I won!"
5. Tell your children over dinner, "Due to the economy, we are going to have to let one of you go."
6. Pick up a box of condoms at the pharmacy, go to the counter and ask where the fitting room is.