

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	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				
Mankata	Wadnasdays	12.10	Courtward by Mariott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

DATE

May 26	NO MEETINGMEMORIAL DAY
June 2	In-Bound Exchange Student Adish Hirve

June 9 Mike Schultz, CEO/Administrator, KODA Living Community

June 16 Dr. Steve Kubas, Owatonna Hospital Sleep Center

June 23 Nigel Watson, Camp Pillsbury

June 30 Business Meeting

July 7 Bill Donavan, Exec. Dir, Allina Hospice

July 14 Thor Thanormthin, Exchange Student from Thailand

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

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, July 7, 2014 Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Bill Donavan, Executive Director, Allina Hospice

BIRTHDAYS: Katie Kreutter, July 9

ROTARY NOTES

ROTARIANS who travel to the 2015 RI Convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil, June 7-10, 2015, will find themselves in a country with the fifth-highest number of ROTARIANS, 56,000, in 2,381 clubs and 38 districts. Women represent 22 percent of the nation's club membership. In 2012-'13, Brazil was the ninth-largest contributor to the ROTARY FOUNDATION giving over 5 million U.S. dollars. The Brazilian Association of the ROTARY FOUNDATION encourages companies to make contributions to the Foundation by offering tax incentives for corporate donors.

The Foundation of ROTARIANS of Sao Paulo is the largest educational complex in the ROTARY world. It educates over 6,000 students at all levels, from pre-school to postgraduate, offers professional development and extension courses, and engages in community service projects.

Sao Paulo hosted the RI convention once before, in 1981. Rio de Janeiro was the site of Brazil's first RI Convention in 1948.

Register for the 2015 RI Convention in Sao Paulo at www.riconvention.org.

ROTARY AT A GLANCE: Members: 1,220,115. Clubs: 34,558

ROTARIANS Dale Gandrud and Todd Hale were recently re-appointed for another five year term on the Owatonna Foundation Board of Trustees.

FAIR NOTES

*ROTARIAN Glen Meger has been named as a Superintendent of Indoor Concessions at the Steele County Free Fair.

*If you're a fan of patriotic marches, you'll want to note Saturday, August 16th on your calendar. That's when the 34th Infantry Division "Red Bull" Band will be coming to the fair for a concert in Fair Square Park. They are scheduled to play at 6:30 p.m. Most of their numbers are the familiar marches and patriotic songs we all know. It's a concert you won't want to miss.

*Dates of the 2014 Steele County Free Fair are August 12-17.

Here's a little fact for automotive buffs, or just to dazzle your friends. The four Goldberg brothers, Lowell, Norman, Hiram and Max invented and developed the first automobile air conditioner. On July 17, 1946, the temperature in Detroit was 97 degrees. The four brothers walked into old man Henry Ford's office and sweet talked his secretary into telling him that four gentlemen were there with the most exciting innovation in the auto industry since the electric starter. Henry was curious and invited them into his office. They refused and instead asked that he come out to the parking lot to their car. They persuaded him to get into the car, which was about 130 degrees, turned on the air conditioner and cooled the car off immediately. The old man got very excited and invited them back to the office where he offered them \$3 million for the patent. The brothers refused, saying they would settle for \$2 million, but they wanted the recognition by having the label "THE GOLDBERG AIR CONDITONER" on the dashboard of each car in which it was installed. Now, old man Ford was stubborn and there was no way he was going to put the Goldberg's name on two million Fords. They haggled back and forth for about two hours and finally agreed on \$4 million and that just their first names would be shown. And so, to this day, all Ford air conditioners show.....Lo, Norm, Hi and Max....on the controls. So there you have it!