



## **ROTARY O'PINION**

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**THIS WEEK:** ROTARIAN Kim Cosens will preview the upcoming Wenger Marching Band Festival. We will also hear from the 2017 Minnesota Distinguished Young Woman, Abigail Hansen of Owatonna.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Kirby Knutson, June 11, Jerry Kopel, June 12

**IN-BOUND STUDENTS:** Jeff, South Africa, Leticia, Brasil

### **ROTARY NOTES**

Thanks to ROTARIAN Katy Kreutter and the Owatonna Bus Company for supplying transportation all this past school year for our Student ROTARIANS!

Thanks to ROTARIAN Kim Cosens for providing piano accompaniment for our singing all during the ROTARY year. Thanks to ROTARIAN John Muellerleile for directing us.

Through ROTARY we can do so many things. We can make things better, not only for our own children but for all children. We have the opportunity to care for and lift up those who need us the most...whether they are in our own community or on the other side of the world!

For over 100 years, ROTARY members have been changing lives and improving communities all over the world. Celebrate the ROTARY FOUNDATION'S centennial year by making a contribution today and together, we can do good for 100 more. As Arch C. Klumph, founder of the ROTARY FOUNDATION said, "We should not live for ourselves alone, but for the joy in doing good for others."

The Owatonna High School Marching Band will be traveling to California this summer late this month. They will participate in the Pacific Palisades Parade and the Huntington Beach July 4 parade.

"Movies in the Park" will open in Central Park this Friday. This month's movie is "Trolls". Movies begin at sunset.

Bring the kids or grandkids to "Breakfast on the Farm" this Saturday at the Kasper Dairy Farm. The event is sponsored by the Steele County ADA (American Dairy Association). There will be free bus transportation to the farm from the fairgrounds from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

ROTARIAN Lois Nelson invites you to Medford Straight River Days this weekend. The Miss Medford Pageant is Thursday night and a city-wide parade is Friday night at 7:00. All weekend there will be activities for the entire family in Medford.

I went fishing this morning, but after a short time, I ran out of worms. Then I saw a cottonmouth with a frog in its mouth. Knowing the snake couldn't bite me with the frog in its mouth, I grabbed it right behind the head, took the frog and put it in my bait basket. Now, the dilemma was how to release the snake without getting bit. So, I grabbed my bottle of Jack Daniels and poured a little whiskey in its mouth. Its eyes rolled back and it went limp. I released the snake without incident and carried on fishing, using the frog. Not long after, I felt a nudge on my foot. It was that damn snake with two more frogs! Life is good!

**HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!**