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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	Holiday Inn
Red Wing	Tuesdays	Noon	St. James Hotel	Waseca	Thursdays	Noon	Miller/Armstrong
Faribault	Wednesdays	Noon	Bernie's Grill	Albert Lea	Wednesdays	Noon	Riverland College
Greater Mankato	Wednesdays	11:55	Courtyard by Mariott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 31

Sept. 7

DATE	
May 4	STRIVE graduation
May 11	OHS National Honor Society
May 18	Camp RYLA report/Farewell from outbounds
May 25	No MeetingMemorial Day
June 1	Kim Cosens: Wenger Band Festival/Aya farewell
June 8	Farewell: Joao and Cindy
June 15	Update on Camp Pillsbury/Vonda White
June 22	Jane Nyquist, Public Health Nursing
June 29	Induction of new officers
July 6	Scott Limberg and Carol Kasper: Feed My Starving Children Owa. Pack
July 13	Paul Mooty: CFO, Faribault Woolen Mill
July 20	Joanne Rosener: Fast for Hope
July 27	Darren Reed: Safe & Drug Free Coalition
Aug. 3	2015 Steele County Free Fair Preview: Jim Gleason
August 10	Sarah Floy, returnee from Germany
August 17	District Governor Visit
August 24	Terry Kerber, Author: "The Inspiring Story of a Black Cyclist

Labor Day: No meeting

John Hausladen, Pres: Minnesota Trucking Association

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, June 1, 2015 Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: ROTARIAN Kim Cosens will give us a preview of this year's Harry Wenger Marching Band Festival which will be held on June 20. We will also hear a farewell from In-Bound student Aya Murakumi.

BIRTHDAYS: None

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

GREETERS FOR JUNE: Scott Limberg, Bill Owens, Jenine Koziolek

JUNE INVOCATION: Shane Sattler

JULY 4 HELP

The morning Rotary Club is seeking a few of our members to assist ROTARIAN Glen Meger at his July 4 event which takes place on the lawn of his funeral home. It will involve two to three hours on the evening of the 4th prior to the fireworks display. If you can help, let Glen know.

FAREWELL FROM RI PRESIDENT GARY HUANG

"As we end this 2015-15 ROTARY year, I am honored by your response and will always be grateful for how you have risen to the challenge to 'Light Up ROTARY'. You have outdone yourselves in your contributions to our ROTARY Foundation and you have moved all of ROTARY forward with new members and new clubs. I thank you all for the opportunity to serve as your president this year and for the hard work and dedication of our volunteer leadership and our staff members.

"I am also grateful for the many friends I have made during this ROTARY year and for the wonderful visits I've had to so many places. I will always remember, with great fondness, riding on the ROTARY float in the Rose Parade, watching children enjoy the Japanese drummers at the ROTARY Day open house and bicycling through the night in Colombo during the *Ride to Light Up ROTARY* EVENT, celebrating a polio-free Sri Lanka. I have seen a new energy in ROTARY this year and felt a new excitement. We've seen more women and young people join ROTARY as well.

I hope that in the year to come, you will continue your wonderful work to 'Light Up ROTARY'....and to help it be a Gift to the World."

Mike Brown has resigned from the club due to business obgligations.

AROUND OWATONNA

Here are the marching bands that will be participating in the upcoming Harry Wenger Marching Band Festival: Class A: Dover-Eyota, Lake City, KMS, Winona Cotter; Class AA: Richfield, Henry Sibley, Milaca, Maple Grove; Class AAA: Waconia, Mankato lancers, Champlin Park, 728 Cadets.

There will be no poultry exhibits at this year's Steele County Free Fair as the fair following the directive of the Minnesota Board of Animal Health to cancel all bird exhibitions at county fairs, the State Fair and other gatherings of birds. Here in Steele County the 4-H program will be primarily affected. We do not have an Open Class Poultry competition at our fair.

A couple of friends were flying to Reno for a long weekend. An hour into the trip, the flight attendant came on the intercom and said, "The pilot has just informed me that we've lost an engine. There's no need for alarm. We have three engines left and we'll just be an hour later. About another hour into the flight, she made another announcement: "We've lost another engine. Don't worry, we will have two more but we'll be another hour late. One guy turned to his friend and said, "Man, if we lose the other two engines, we'll be up here all day!"