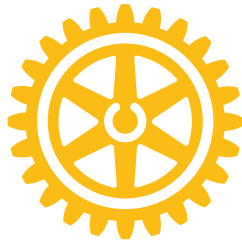


# Rotary



# O-Pinion

## Owatonna, Minnesota

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				
Mankato	Wednesdays	12:10	Old Main Village				

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

#### DATE

Mar. 17	T.C. Carlyle, OHS Athletic Trainer
Mar. 24	Megan Proft, Executive Director, Owatonna Arts Center
March 31	Business Meeting/Presentation by Tlotlo Lesetedi, In-Bound student
April 7	Dr. Atewologun, President, Riverland Community College
April 14	Scott Golberg, Steele County Environmental Services: "Radon"
April 21	Lesa Anderson, Nurse Administrator, Owatonna Clinic
April 28	Business Meeting/State of City Report: Mayor Tom Kuntz, Kris Busse
May 5	Recognition of STRIVE students
May 12	National Honor Society: Speaker Jeff Williams
May 19	Camp RYLA students plus farewells from Outbounds
May 26	NO MEETING...MEMORIAL 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	Holly Jorgensen, Let's Smile Inc.
June 30	Business Meeting
July 7	Open
July 14	Open
July 21	Thor Thanormthin, Exchange Student from Thailand
August 4	Open
August 11	Open

## **ROTARY O'PINION**

Monday, March 17, 2014

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** T.C. Carlyle, Athletic and Medical Trainer, Owatonna Public Schools

**BIRTHDAYS:** Jennifer Libby, Mar. 16, Melanie Nelson, March 23

**STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Bria Wunderlich, Jeffrey Johnson, Carter McCauley, Alex Liebl

**IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS:** Tlotlo Lestedi, South Africa, Thor Thanormthin, Thailand, Adish Hirbe, India

### **ROTARY NOTES**

March is Literacy and Education Month on the ROTARY calendar.

Saturday is World Water Day on the ROTARY calendar. When Joe Otin, a member of the ROTARY Club of Nairobi East, Kenya, was in India last January he visited the country's largest mosque and saw this boy at the taps used for washing feet. "He took the opportunity of filling two plastic bottles with water and then had a few sips," Otin recalls. "This reminded me of the lack of access to clean water for millions of families." Otin notes that district governors in Africa have agreed to work on projects addressing water and sanitation, one of ROTARY'S six areas of focus.

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

From Dong Kurn Lee, Foundation Trustee Chair: "Many clubs in America provide dictionaries to school children and this is a wonderful way to encourage and support literacy. But, are dictionaries the best use of money, in a time and place where students are more likely to look up a word on-line? What other projects could support literacy in a way that will make a greater and longer lasting difference?"

### **AROUND TOWN**

The Steele County History Center will host the Gopher State Archeological Society and the largest annual artifact show in the region this Saturday. The event is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and offers a fantastic opportunity to see many of the region's largest and most complete private collections. There will be displays covering all time periods and a wide range of items from arrowheads to Native American beadwork.

ROTARIAN Dave Albrecht, Administrator of the Owatonna Hospital, invites ROTARIANS to the special Owatonna Hospital Healing Arts Program reception tomorrow, March 18, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at the hospital. You'll have a chance to meet the artists of works being featured in the spring/summer Healing Arts. This program is collaboration between the Owatonna Hospital and the Owatonna Arts Center to bring the visual arts, natural light images and elements of nature to lessen stress and promote healing while in the hospital. The exhibit is underwritten by the Owatonna Hospital Foundation.

The Owatonna Elks will host a St. Patrick's Day dinner this Saturday from 5:00-7:00 p.m. featuring Corned Beef and Cabbage. Tickets are available at the Elks and at Kottke's...\$15.00 in advance and \$20.00 at the door. Proceeds benefit the Homestead Hospice House Patient Care Fund.

ROTARIAN Bill Kottke is home and undergoing therapy needed as a result of a stroke he suffered during heart surgery.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY! Reilly is walking through a graveyard when he comes across a headstone with the instruction, "Here lies a politician and an honest man." "Faith now," exclaims Reilly. "I wonder how they got the two of them in one grave!"