



O-Pinion

Owatonna, Minnesota

ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Meeting each Monday 12:00 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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- March 5: Sue Schroeder, Public Schools Social Worker
- March 12: Ali Diley, Director of Nutrition, Public Schools
- March 19: Owatonna Police Department
- March 26: Sonja Harris: Owatonna Brain Training Center
- April 2: Dave Vandergon, CEO, KODA
- April 9: Youth Exchange Committee... "Exchange isn't a Year in Our Life, It's a Life in a Year"
- April 16: Owatonna Business Women
- April 23: Mark Blando, Director, Public Library
- April 30: April Paxton: Family Services Coordinator: Michaelson Funeral Home "The Grief Recovery Method"
- May 7: Camp RYLA report and STRIVE grad recognition
- May 14: OHS National Honor Society
- May 21: Nado Farewell
- May 28: No meeting... Memorial Day
- June 4: Bob Showers,. "Minn. Twins at the old Met Stadium"
- June 11: Kim Cosens, Preview, Wenger Marching Band Festival, Amy Swain, Audiologist
- June 18: Jeffrey Jackson, Managing Editor, Owatonna People's Press
- June 25: Open
- July 2: Open
- July 9: Open
- July 16: Open

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Monday, March 19, 2018

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: An update from the Owatonna Police Department

BIRTHDAYS: Sorry, none

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Ahnna Stelter, Ben Stelter, Taylor Savoie, Harrison Kuhn

IN-BOUND STUDENT: Nado, Indonesia

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

It may be early, but not too early to remind you that the spring shredding project sponsored by our club will be held on June 2. So, start gathering material you want shredded and keep it aside for that date. Hours will be from 9:00-1:00. Shredding is offered for a free-will offering which is designated for the STRIVE program.

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Our club has offered its support in the amount of \$50,000 toward the "We All Play" playground project in Owatonna. Checks can be sent to treasurer Jim Brunner marked for the We All Play fund.

ROTARIAN Tanya Paley will be working with ROTARIAN Traci Schimek on the Youth Exchange program.

ROTARIAN Kim Cosens and the committee overseeing the Harry Wenger Marching Band Festival have announced the bands that will be participating this year. They include bands from Winona Cotter, Henry Sibley, 728 Cadets, Dassel-Cokato, Milaca, Mankato 77 Lancers, Spring Lake Park, Richfield, Champlain Park, KMS, Waconia and Lake City. The Owatonna High School Marching Band will march in demonstration. The festival is one of the most popular in Minnesota. It took just an hour after registration opened to fill the roster of competing bands.

Did you know? Over the past 15 years, ROTARY PEACE CENTERS have trained more than 1,100 ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS who are now working as leaders in law enforcement, education, government and non-governmental organizations.

AROUND TOWN

*The KOWZ Home and Recreation Show will be held at the Four Seasons Centre this weekend, March 23-25.

*The Steele County Free Fair is still seeking suggestions for the slogan for the 2019 fair. Send them to Box 650, Owatonna or e-mail them to steelecountyfreefair@scff.org.

So anyway: A cranky old woman was arrested for shoplifting at a grocery store. She gave everyone a hard time, from the store manager to the security guard to the arresting officers who took her away. She complained and criticized everything and everyone throughout the process. When she appeared before the judge, the judge asked her what she had stolen from the store. The lady defiantly replied, "Just a stupid can of peaches." The judge then asked why she had done it. She replied she was hungry and forgot to bring any cash to the store. The judge asked how many peaches were in the can. She replied, "Nine! But why do you care about that?" The judge answered patiently, "Well, ma'am, because I'm going to give you nine days in jail...one for each peach." As the judge was about to drop his gavel, the lady's long-suffering husband raised his hand slowly and asked if he might speak. The judge gave him permission. The husband said, meekly "Your Honor, she also stole a can of peas."