

# Rotary O-Pinion

## ROTARY: BE THE INSPIRATION

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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### PROGRAMS

February 4: Al Zdrzil: “Fight Against Human Trafficking”  
February 11: School District Foundation  
February 18: Plans for a new high school  
February 25: Abby Donahe, “Unlimited Abilities”  
March 4: Nancy Williams, Trina Kasperson: Homeless students in Owatonna Public Schools  
March 11: State of the City: Mayor Kuntz, Chris Busse, Troy Klecker  
March 18: The story of Revel Greens: Jay Johnson  
March 25: Mark Coyle, U. of M. Athletic Director  
April 1: Randy Doyle, CEO, Alcorn  
April 8: Update on We All Play  
April 15: Mac Hamilton, Developer  
April 22: Carol Belmore: Middle School “REACH program”  
April 29: Former Senator Dave Durenberger  
May 6: Camp RYLA students and STRIVE graduates  
May 13: National Honor Society Students  
May 20: Ed Marek, St. Paul Sunrise...District Fast for Hope  
May 27: Memorial Day, no meeting  
June 3: Farewell from Iringo  
June 10: Chuck Driessen: History of Culligan and Culligan Ultrapure

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Monday, March 4, 2019

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** You will be surprised to learn how many students in our public schools are homeless. Discussing this will be Nancy Williams and Trina Kasperson.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Sorry, none

**MARCH STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Welcome to Selena Ong, Liam Miller, Brooke Schwartz and Alissa Jensen

**IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT:** Iringo, Romania

## NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

**FROM RI PRESIDENT BARRY RASSIN:** "If there's one thing ROTARY has always excelled at, it's diversity. In the past that often meant diversity of profession, nationality and outlook. We've made great strides when it comes to diversity of age and gender and as we welcome more ROTARACTERS into our organization we'll become even stronger. Working side by side, we have the potential to *Be the Inspiration* in every part of society, to every person we meet."

**A Golf Note:** Since 1990, the average PGA Tour driving distance has increased 12 percent to 295.23 yards, rendering some iconic holes, and even whole golf courses, obsolete. The increase, which is attributed to stronger athletes and advances in club and ball design, has sparked a debate over whether the standard golf ball should be altered to intentionally decrease driving distance.

**American Anxiousness:** Americans are growing more anxious about the economy. 56% say the economy is slowing down or entering into a recession, while 41% say it is growing. Party affiliation matters: 77% of Republicans think it's growing, while 82% of Democrats says it's slowing down or in recession.

**In this cold weather, is a cup of coffee and sip of brandy a good way to warm up?** Nope. Caffeine and alcohol actually hinder the body's ability to produce heat. They can also cause your core temperature to drop. Instead, drink warm water. Even better, down a beverage that contains sugar; that will give your body fuel to produce its own energy.

So anyway: I was having trouble with my computer, so I called Harold, the computer guy, to come over. Harold clicked a couple of buttons and solved the problem. He gave me a bill for a minimum service call. As he was walking away, I called after him, "So what was wrong?" He replied, "It was an ID ten T error". I didn't want to appear stupid, but nonetheless inquired, "An ID ten T error? What's that, in case I need to fix it again?" Harold grinned, "Haven't you heard of an ID ten T error before?" "No," I replied. "Write it down," he said and I think you'll figure it out." So, I wrote down ID10T. I used to like Harold.

Finally, some quotes from Rodney Dangerfield:

\*My uncle's dying wish was to have me sitting in his lap; he was in the electric chair.

\*One year they wanted to make me a poster boy...for birth control.

\*My wife made me join a bridge club. I jump off next Tuesday.

\*When I was lost, I saw a policeman and asked him to help me find my parents. I said to him, "Do you think we'll find them?" He said. "I don't know kid. There are so many places they can hide!"

CONGRATULATIONS TO ROTARIAN DIANE HOLLAND, ONE OF THE NOMINEES FOR THE OWATONNA BUSINESS WOMAN "WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD." THE AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 8 AT TOREY'S. ALSO, CONGRATULATIONS TO ROTARIAN CALLAN PAFFRATH ON RECEIVING THE "YOUNG CAREERIST AWARD".