

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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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: Ed Marek, St. Paul Sunrise..."Fast for Hope"

July 2: Open

July 9: Steele County Works (Workforce Initiative)

July 16: Update: Owatonna Clinic July 23: Drawing: We All Play raffle

July 30: Open

August 6: Preview: Steele County Free Fair: Scott Kozelka

August 13: Open August 20: Open August 27: Open

September 3: No meeting...Labor Day

September 10: Open September 17: Open September 24: Open

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Monday, May 21, 2018 Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: It's time to say farewell to our in-bound student, Nado who will present the program today.

<u>BIRTHDAYS:</u> Andi Gaffke, May 20, Michelle Redman, Shane Sattler and Penny Vizna, May 22, Stephen Smith, May 23.

<u>STUDENT ROTARIANS:</u> Last day for Ally Lenz, Zach Mensink, Marie Otteson and Lexi Falken **IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT:** Nado from Indonesia

ROTARY NOTES

The annual ROTARY Shredding project will be held on Saturday, June 2. Volunteers are needed for shifts from 9:00-11:00 and from 11:00 to 1:00. If you can help, let ROTARIAN Earl Anderson know. The shredding truck will be located behind the old Wal-Mart (Retro Fit) building. Proceeds will go to the STRIVE program.

A Wisconsin man who already holds the Guiness World Record for eating the most Big Macs last week scarfed down his 30,000th signature McDonald's burger. Don Gorske, 64, has eaten at least one Big Mac daily since May 17, 1972 and insists that his health hasn't suffered because of his fast-food diet. "I weigh 190 pounds, and my cholesterol is 165," he says. "I'm as healthy as a horse." The retired prison guard says his wife wants him to eat more veggies, but he isn't interested. (The Week magazine).

FROM RI PRESIDENT IAN H.S. RISELEY

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change....across the globe, in our communities and in our selves. Wherever we live, whatever language we speak, whatever work our clubs are involved in, our vision is the same. We all see a world that could be better and that we can help make better. We are here because ROTARY gives us the opportunity to build the world we want to see...to unite and take action through *ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE*"

AROUND TOWN

It was announced at the recent memorial service for Sharon Stark that plans are in the works for the re-naming of the Little Theater building "The Sharon Stark Theater". Sharon was a former ROTARIAN and was also a charter member of LTO.

The Steele County American Dairy Association invites ROTARIANS and kids and grandkids to "Breakfast on the Farm" on June 9 at the Rick and Cathy Balzer dairy farm. Tour the farm, see robotic milking machines, take the kids to the petting zoo. Free bus transportation to the farm from the fairgrounds from 8:00-11:00 a.m.

Lori Peglow, a Special Education teacher at the high school was named as the Owatonna Teacher of the Year this past week. She will now be entered into state competition for the Minnesota Teacher of the Year.

A REMINDER...THERE WILL BE NO MEETING NEXT WEEK....MEMORIAL DAY

Little known fact about the Catholic Church is Las Vegas:

There are more churches in Las Vegas than casinos. During Sunday services at the offertory, some worshippers contribute casino chips as opposed to cash. Some are sharing their winnings, some are hoping to win. Since they get chips from so many different casinos, and they are worth money, the Catholic churches are required to send all the chips into the diocese for sorting. Once sorted into the respective casino chips, one junior priest takes the chips and makes the rounds to the casinos turning chips into cash. And he, of course is known as the Chip Monk.

Hymn: A song of praise usually sung in a key three octaves higher than that of the congregation's range.