

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

Oct. 7	Lois Nelson, Mayor of Medford
Oct. 14	County Officials Public Works Bldg.
Oct. 21	School Levy Question
Oct. 28	Business Meeting
Nov. 4	Foundation Month
Nov. 11	Steele County Transitional Housing...Julie Anderson
Nov. 18	Mick Ditlevson, Outbound to Denmark
Nov. 25	Business Meeting/Camp Enterprise Students Morgan Malo & Isaac Torres
Dec. 2	Mike Johnson, Owatonna Fire Chief
Dec. 9	Glen Meger: Trends in funeral services today. Also OHS Carolers
Dec. 16	Tim Penney, Director, So. Minn. Initiative.
Dec. 23	Christmas Show with Emma Hellevik of Medford
Dec. 30	Business Meeting
Jan. 6	Owatonna Clinic
Jan. 13	Joe Bass, Union Pacific "Operation Lifesaver"
Jan. 20	Diane Dulaney, RN: "Aroma Therapy"
Jan. 27	Business meeting
Feb. 3	Program on: "Fast for Hope"

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, November 11, 2013

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: We will hear from ROTARIAN Julie Anderson of Steele County Transitional Housing.

BIRTHDAYS: Jen Dunn-Foster: Nov. 11, Dave Effertz, Nov. 14

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Welcome to Kennedi Alstead, Natasha Anderson, Alex Krogman and He Chen

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Thor Thanormthin, Thailand, Adish Hirve, India

ROTARY NOTES

November is FOUNDATION MONTH on the ROTARY calendar. RI President Ron Burton wrote: "I've been very fortunate that over the years, I've gotten to see an incredible amount of our Foundation's work, firsthand. The more I see, the more passionate I become about our Foundation. When you visit a school for AIDS orphans and meet the kids who are being cared for, educated and taught a trade...and when you know, as you look into their faces, that if it weren't for our Foundation, they would be sleeping on the street, eating out of the trash...you don't ever see our Foundation in the same way again. Our Foundation's goal always has been "Doing Good in the World". With our new grant model, we aren't going to be satisfied with simply doing good. We will do the most good we can in the most lasting ways possible...for the people who need us the most"

Make your check out to the ROTARY FOUNDATION, and send it to ROTARIAN Chris Herzog at 125 Landmark Dr. N.E. in Owatonna.

DID YOU KNOW? What is the most popular car color? It's white...but people who drive white cars already knew that because, duh, they chose a white car. Owners of white cars "are people who generally like things to be very pure and pristine and clear and direct. There's a degree of fastidiousness according to color analyst Leatrist Eiseman of the Pantone Color Institute (the color of the year people). The number of new car buyers who chose white rose by 3 percent this year, to 21 percent, said PPG Industries, the largest supplier of transportation coatings. The jump broke white's long tie with silver, whose fall from favor is linked to the waning economy. Of course, we're not talking about plain old white. Indeed, the challenge for carmakers is to differentiate their paint colors...a far cry from Henry's Ford's harrumph that customers could buy his Model "T" in any color as long as it's black. Consider:

From Toyota: Super White, Blizzard Pearl

From Ford: Oxford White, White Platinum

From General Motors: Arctic White, Heron White, Summit White, Ice White

From Honda: White Orchid Pearl

From Volkswagen: Alaska White, Onyx White, Pure White, Calla Lilly White

From Volvo: Ice White

From BMW: Alpine White, Pepper White, Mineral White

From Jaguar: Polaris White

The pearl-ization of white is a trend, according to more Dupont research which notes, "White pearl has three coats. Most colors have two coats, so it is a specialized process."

Still, when it comes to a power move, give credit to the folks at Porsche. Among their 17 colors that riff on such tones as Cognac, Basalt, Mahogany, Ruby and Meteor, they also offer: WHITE.

So anyway: One day, a city bus driver picked up a woman who was carrying a paper bag full of oranges. There were no empty seats so she had to hang on by a strap in the aisle. After traveling a few blocks, the driver had to make a sudden stop. This caused the woman to almost fall down and several oranges fell to the floor. As she bent over to pick them up, she expelled gas making some loud noises. The bus driver remarked, "that's right lady, if you can't catch 'em, shoot 'em.!"

A SALUTE AND THANK YOU TODAY TO ALL ROTARIAN VETERANS ON THIS VETERAN'S DAY!