

O-Pinion

Owatonna, Minnesota

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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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Mondays Thursdays Wednesdays Tuesdays Tuesdays Wednesdays Wednesdays

Holiday Inn Noon Noon Purple Goose Eatery 7 AM Owatonna Fire Hall 7 AM Hilton Garden Inn St. James Hotel Noon Bernie's Grill Noon 11:55 Courtyard by Mariott

Winona Northfield Thursdays Great Rochester Rochester Waseca Albert Lea

Wednesdays Westfield Golf Club Noon 12:15 United Methodist Ch. Wednesdays 12:10 Double Tree Hotel Thursdays 11:30 Holiday Inn Thursdays Miller/Armstrong Noon Wednesdays Riverland College Noon

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

DATE

Nov. 23	Camp Enterprise Students/ROTARY Foundation Month
Nov. 30	Stephen Cantwell & Fred Bettner, Beauterre Recovery Institute
Dec. 7	Carollee Smith: Identity Theft/OHS Christmas Carolers
Dec. 14	Alyssa Sattler, returnee from Spain
Dec. 21	Christmas program: Kim Cosens, Dave Williams
Dec. 28	Luke Owens, Returnee student from Italy
Jan. 4	Nick Beck, Student Returnee from Italy
Jan. 11	Michele Redman, Director, Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Jan. 18	"From the Rink to the Brink", lady hockey players hike the Grand Canyon
Jan. 25	BeermakingMatt Kottke, Tim Holland
Feb. 1	Bruce Boyce, RFE to Brazil
Feb 8	State of the City: Mayor Kuntz, Kris Busse

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Jennifer Libby, Chamber of Commerce Feb. 22 Police Department update: Chief Keith Hiller

Feb. 29 Open date

Mar. 7 Literary Month: Public Library

James Rogers, Director of Irish Studies, St. Thomas College\ Mar. 14

Mar. 21 Open Mar. 28 Open

ROTARY O'PINION

Editor: Todd Hale

Monday, November 16, 2015

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Alan Anderson of Northfield who will make a presentation on rising CO2 and the Science of Climate Change. Alan is a 1968 graduate of OHS and the son of former ROTARIAN Dr. Frank and Sophie Anderson. He was a Junior ROTARIAN in Owatonna his senior year. He is a long time student of the environment and is now a ROTARIAN in Northfield. Alan is retired after serving as an executive in the Boy Scouts of America for 34 years. He will explain the science of this very complex problem of rising CO2 and the science of climate change and why taking action is urgent.

NEXT WEEK: We will hear from OHS students from our club and the morning club who attended Camp Enterprise. They include Ivette Torres, Katia Michaelson and Molly McCabe.

BIRTHDAYS: None

STUDENT ROTARIANS; Laura Bloomenrader, Elena Bueltel, Riley Arthur and Thomas Borgerding **IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS**: Nicolas Valenzuela, Chile, Oscar Christiansen, Norway

ROTARY NOTES

Volunteers needed for the invocation and also for greeting. If you can help, contact Pastor Dave Klawiter.

Did you know? This year the Northfield ROTARY Club has 16 outbound students and three inbound. It is also the home of Charles Cogan, District PolioPlus chair. The club, as one of its fundraisers, sponsors the Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving Day. Proceeds are used to support Youth Exchange and other RI programs.

The RI convention is May 28-June 1, 2016 in Seoul, Korea. Experience the thrill of traditional Korean drums or the beauty of the Korean fan dance. Join thousands of ROTARIANS at the Welcome Festival in Olympic Park, enjoy Korea's Symphony Night featuring violinist Mayuko Kamio, and see Korea's leading ballet companies. The convention is for all ROTARIANS and offers something for everyone. Register today! Early registration savings end December 15. reconvention.org.

QUESTION FOR BRIGHT ROTARIANS: Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked or in any other form except fresh. (answer below)

AROUND TOWN

Sister Franchon Pirkl reminds ROTARIANS of the STAR OF HOPE annual lighting on Sunday, December 6. The star will be lighted in memory of, or in honor of, loved ones. A gift of \$10.00 or a donation of your choice will help make the STAR even more brilliant. Proceeds go to the Patient Care Fund, which is used to assist families in great financial need. A special program will be held at 5:00 p.m. at Daybreak Community Church on Harvest Lane. Donation forms are available at churches or you may bring your donation to the December 6th event.

There's a tree in our yard, terribly bothered by blight. We sought professional help and had a tree surgeon come to look at it. In his assessment, he noted that the blight was bad, but he was even more concerned with the deep cracks in the bark. "In fact," he said, "This tree's bark is worse than its blight!"

I just read that last year 4,213,257 people got married. I don't want to start any trouble, but shouldn't that be an even number?

Answer to question for bright ROTARIANS: Lettuce

HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!