

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

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"
Feb. 10	Open
Feb. 17	Open
Feb. 24	Business Meeting
Mar. 3	Open
Mar 10	Open
Mar. 17	Open
Mar. 24	Open

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, November 25, 2013

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: The monthly business meeting, plus we will hear from students from our club and the morning club who attended Camp Enterprise. Welcome to Morgan Malo and Isaac Torres.

BIRTHDAYS: Dave Marcoux, Nov. 30

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Kennedy Alstead, Natasha Anderson, Alex Krogman and He Chen

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

DECEMBER STUDENT ROTARIANS: Luke Wanous, Martin Gleason, Brandon Krogman, R.J. Chatelaine

DECEMBER GREETERS: Wes Kain, Bruce Paulson, Kelly Boomgarden

DECEMBER INVOCATION: Jen Dunn-Foster

ROTARY NOTES:

ROTARIAN Mark Fritsch answers the question regarding the construction of a new building just west of the current OPU building. This is the vehicle storage building. This building will replace the old building that was located just south of the OPU building. The old building was damaged during the flood and would flood again if a similar flood occurred. Even in heavy rains, water would run through the old facility. The new vehicle storage building will house OPU vehicles above any foreseen floods. The lower area of the building will provide employee and customer parking. That area is designed to flood without damage to the building. It is being built with pre-cast concrete and will have a metal insulated siding. The new building will allow easy access to crew quarters, shops and offices.

The home of ROTARIAN Betsy and Kent Rossi is one of those that will be featured in the upcoming Holiday House Tour December 8 sponsored by the Steele County Historical Society. Others to be featured include those of Bill and Betty Ahrens, Tony and Cindy Kline, Bill and Mary Wright and two rural homes...those of Bob and Diane Racek and Todd and Laura Resler. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and \$12.00 at the home the day of the tour. Get tickets now at Tri M Graphics and Kottke Jewelers.

One more host home is needed for the boy from South Africa coming to Owatonna in January. If you are interested or know someone who is (ROTARIAN or non-ROTARIAN), contact Jen Dunn-Foster.

Statements made in 1955:

“Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging 7 cents just to mail a letter?”

“If they raise the minimum wage to \$1.00, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store.”

“When I first started driving, who would have thought that gas would someday cost 25 cents a gallon? Guess we’d be better off leaving the car in the garage.”

“I’m afraid to send my kids to the movies anymore. Ever since they let Clark Gable get by with saying DAMN in GONE WITH THE WIND, it seems every new movie has either HELL or DAMN in it.”

“I never thought I’d see the day when all our kitchen appliances would be electric. They’re even making electric typewriters now!”

“It won’t be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work.”

“The fast food restaurant is convenient for a quick meal, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on.”

So anyway: Lost in the woods, a hiker spends two days wandering around with no food. Finally, he spots a bald eagle, hits the bird with a big rock and eats it. A park ranger stumbles on the scene and arrests the man for killing an endangered species. In court, the hiker explains that he was on the edge of starvation and had no choice. “Considering the circumstances, I find you not guilty,” says the judge. “But I have to ask, what did the Eagle taste like?” “Well, your honor”, the hiker replies, “it tasted like a cross between a whooping crane and a spotted owl.”