

The

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	Noon	Northfield Golf Club
Owatonna Early Edition	Tuesdays	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	North Mankato	Fridays	Noon	Best Western Hotel
Mankato	Wednesdays	Noon	Old Main Village				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Date

Program

October 22

County Board Candidates

October 29

Business meeting/Presentation by United Way

November 5

Chris Herzog: Rotary Foundation Month

November 12

Program by U. of M. Alumni

November 19

Peter Grant, Supt. of Public Schools

November 26

Business Meeting..Intro. of Exchange Students plus Camp Enterprise student.

December 3

Val Rose: OHS Options Program

December 10

Linda Christianson, Author and personal story about Polio

December 17

Holiday Show

December 24

No meeting

December 31

No meeting

January 7

Dave Hietala, Academic Dean, Riverland

January 14

Alyssa Anderson: Steele County Pork Ambassador

January 21

Ibrahim Hussein: Somali American Cultural Society of Owatonna

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, October 22, 2012

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: A “Meet the County Candidates Forum”. Candidates featured are **District 2:** Karen Docksey/Doug Johnson; **District 3:** Matt Durand/Mark Schultz; District 4: James Ebeling/Roger Wacek; **District 5:** Nina Huntington

BIRTHDAYS: Stan Groff, Barbara Jacobson, Dave Klawiter: Oct. 24

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Courtney Lynch, Katy Schjroeffer, Leah Hawkins, Martha Floy

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Minako Hamoto, Japan, Yolanda Marin, Spain, Livia Getzner, Austria

NOTES

ROTARIANS Tom Effertz and Dave Effertz extend an invitation to all ROTARIANS to stop by the Open House of TPS Insurance on 18th Street this Friday, October 26 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. The occasion marks the 100th anniversary of their insurance agency in Owatonna. Here's a bit of history on this business. Cline Tincher started the agency in 1912 in Owatonna and operated as C.A. Tincher. The original office was located in City Hall. It then moved to another downtown location. The first company represented was United States Fidelity and Guaranty. Their State Agent was a gentleman by the name of Thiemer and for awhile the agency was known as Thiemer and Tincher. Oscar Peterson came to the agency during the Depression and the office was moved into what is now the Wells Fargo Bank building. At that time, Mr. Thiemer left the agency which represented all mutual companies after the depression.

Ty Sincock came to Owatonna and joined the agency in 1947 after experience as a field representative for Safeco Insurance Company. He stayed with the agency until 1977. They had several downtown locations during this time and were in the building next to the Armory across from Federated since 1960.

Andy Wolf joined the agency in 1968 and purchased the interest of Oscar Peterson. ROTARIAN Thomas G. Effertz joined the agency in 1975 and purchased the interest of Ty Sincock. Mr. Effertz then purchased the interest of Mr. Wolf in 1983. Tom's wife, Terri, and Tom's brother, George joined the agency in 1984 and ROTARIAN Dave Effertz joined the agency in 1999. Current officers are Tom Effertz, Chairman of the Board, Dave Effertz, President, George Effertz, Vice President.

DID YOU KNOW? The Owatonna ROTARY Club was begun on April 10, 1922 by fourteen men. One of the most remembered community projects of the Owatonna ROTARY Club was the Christmas program held each year for the children of the State School. It included reindeer and Santa who all came to Owatonna via the Rock Island Line.

ROTARY NEWS

ROTARY'S Pakistan Polio-Plus Committee partnered with Coca Cola Beverages Pakistan to promote polio eradication. Coca-Cola Pakistan printed polio-awareness messages on more than 70 million bottle labels and incorporated “End Polio Now” ringtones at its call stations across the country. In addition, the company will place permanent messages on 250,000 Coke coolers that are being distributed throughout Pakistan and it will promote National Immunization Days on billboards. Coca-Cola has also agreed to provide sponsored vans as needed to transport polio vaccine and to help supply clean water in high-risk districts to reduce diarrhea in children.

Uff da can be used nicely in any of the following situations:

- *Forgetting your mother-in-laws first name
- *Sneezing so hard that your false teeth end up on the bread plate
- *Eating a delicious sandwich and then discovering you used cat food!