



O-Pinion
Owatonna, Minnesota

ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY

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	Thursdays	Noon	Purple Goose Eatery	Northfield	Thursdays	12:15	United Methodist Ch.
Owatonna Early Edition	Wednesdays	7 AM	Owatonna Fire Hall	Great Rochester	Wednesdays	12:10	Double Tree Hotel
Rochester Risers	Tuesdays	7 AM	Hilton Garden Inn	Rochester	Thursdays	11:30	Holiday Inn
Red Wing	Tuesdays	Noon	St. James Hotel	Waseca	Thursdays	Noon	Miller/Armstrong
Faribault	Wednesdays	Noon	Bernie's Grill	Albert Lea	Wednesdays	Noon	Riverland College
Greater Mankato	Wednesdays	11:55	Courtyard by Marriott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- October 3: Owatonna Foundation Week
- October 10: Candidates: County Commissioner
- October 17: Candidates: City Council
- October 24: Candidates: School Board
- October 31: Candidates: State House and Senate
- November 7: Awarding of Vern White Award
- November 14: District Gov. Visit
- November 21: Students: Camp Enterprise
- November 28: Deb Knutson: Canoe Journey down the mighty Mississippi to the Gulf
- December 5: Dr. Burkholder, Mayo Health System: Avoiding a Stroke, Signs and Symptoms
- December 12: Patrick Donahue, James J. Hill Center
- December 19: Program on Rotary Foundation
- December 26: Margaret Sager, Returnee from Brazil
- January 2: Lizzie: Farewell
- January 9: Open
- January 16: Duke Pieper, author of book, "I'm Alive, Courage, Hope and a Miracle"

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Monday, October 24, 2016

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Meet the candidates for school board.

BIRTHDAYS: Dave Klawiter, Oct. 24

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Spencer Graff, Drew Hudock, Natalie Shroyer, Erin Steffenson

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Leticia (Brazil) and Lizzie (Zimbabwe)

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

The recipient of this year's Paul Harris/Vern White award has been selected. He is Arlen Burmeister. The purpose of this award is to recognize a non-ROTARIAN whose life and actions exemplify the spirit of the ROTARY motto, "Service Above Self" and exhibits the characteristics which represent the values of ROTARY'S 4-Way Test.

Mr. Burmeister is the board president of the Owatonna Arts Center and was instrumental in the recent addition to the OAC. He was one of the key people involved in the development of the Recovery School whose purpose is to nurture children with addiction issues, providing them a safe place to learn without the distraction of everyday high school life. He brought Chapter 710 of SCORE to Owatonna, which helps people to start new businesses or move fledgling businesses forward. He is a key fundraiser at his church, helps out at the local food shelf every Monday, and is a board member of his homeowner association.

This award will be presented at our meeting on November 7.

How you know you're living in 2016

*You accidentally enter your PIN on the microwave.

*You haven't played solitaire with real cards in years.

*You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three

*You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you

*Your reason for not staying in touch with friends and family is that they don't have e-mail.

*You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home to help you carry in the groceries.

*Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you didn't have the first 20, 30 (or 60) years of your life, is now cause for panic, and you turn around to go and get it

An aging factor

If you've passed your 38th birthday, you're already older than half the U.S. population. But this feeling of "middle age" could be worse! In Uganda and the Gaza Strip, you're older than half of your fellow citizens by the time you're 16!

INTERESTED IN JOINING ROTARY. WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU. THERE ARE TWO CLUBS IN TOWN, THE EARLY EDITION CLUB AND THE NOON CLUB.

Forgetting how it was...black and white television:

*One could hardly see for all the snow. Spread the rabbit ears as far as they go. Pull a chair up to the set..."Good night David, Good night Chet. It felt so good, it felt so right...life looked better in black and white! I Love Lucy, The Real McCoys, Dennis the Menace, the Cleaver boys, Rawhide, Gunsmoke, Wagon Train, Superman, Jimmy & Lois Lane. Father Knows Best, Patty Duke, Rin Tin Tin and Lassie too, Donna Reed on Thursday night...life looked better in black and white.