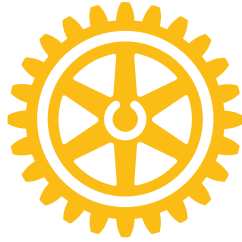


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Owatonna, Minnesota

LIGHT UP ROTARY

Meeting each Monday 12:10 p.m. – Owatonna Country Club

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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	Courtyard by Marriott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

DATE

September 15

September 22

September 29

October 6

October 13

October 20

October 27

November 3

November 10

November 17

November 24

December 1

December 8

December 15

December 22

December 29

January 5

January 12

January 19

January 26

Lori Running, ADD

United Way Campaign

Candidates for city election

Visit from District Gov. Karel Weigel

Candidates for county election

Candidates for school board

Candidates for Legislature

Foundation Month

Nora Rubish, Outbound returnee from Finsterwaide Germany

Scott Russel, Klatt Airshows

Business Meeting...Camp Enterprise Students

Joe Devetter, Returning outbound to Spain

Shelly Rockman, Exec. Dir., South Central College, Faribault campus

Jenine Koziolk, Outreach Specialist, Fountain Centers/OHS Carolers

Christmas musical

Business Meeting/Scott Limberg, Owatonna Live

Farewell from Tlotlo

Hamid Torabpour, Winter State Entertainment

Quentin Smith, "Bike Across America"

Open

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, October 27, 2014

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Our final “Meet the Candidates” meeting as we feature candidates for the Minnesota House of Representatives. Welcome to John Petersburg, Bev Cashman, Patti Fritz and Brian Daniels.

BIRTHDAYS: Josh Cook, Oct. 26, Maggie Erickson, Oct 30, Mark Fritsch, Oct. 31

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Tim Flynn, Peter Jones, Dexter Leer and Jesse Starks

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Aya Murakumi, Japan, Tloto Lestedi, South Africa, Cindy Delemare, France, Joiao Bueno, Brazil.

INVOCATION FOR NOVEMBER: Beth Gilthvedt

GREETERS FOR NOVEMBER: Jennifer Libby, Betsy Lindgren, Bruce Paulson

ROTARY NOTES

A correction from last week. The ROTARY “Welcome” hedge located at on Hoffman Drive at I-35 remains in tact. The hedge was installed and paid for by ROTARY in 1992.

November is Foundation Month on the ROTARY calendar. For our program we will be presenting the Paul Harris/Vern White award to Sister Franchon Pirkl, Chaplain at the Hospice House in Owatonna. The award recognizes a non-ROTARIAN whose life and actions exemplify the spirit of the motto “Service Above Self” and exhibits the characteristics that represent the values of the ROTARY 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?

Franchon has been chaplain at the Hospice House in Owatonna since 1996. She joined the Hospice staff after Hospice cared for her father.

THE FIGHT GOES ON...POLIO RESURFACES IN PAKISTAN

Polio is surging again in Pakistan, frustrating world health officials and ROTARY INTERNATIONAL trying to wipe out the disease. The country reported 202 cases of paralysis, the first time in 14 years it topped 200. Pakistan is the only country where the virus is spreading fast. Eight of Afghanistan’s 10 cases are linked to Pakistan, said Dr. Elias Durry, who directs the World Health Organizations response in Pakistan. Nigeria and Somalia have fewer than 10 cases each and Africa may be polio-free by 2015, he said. But in Pakistan, he said, “the virus is laughing at us and doing whatever it wants.” The fight against Ebola in Africa is not hurting the polio drive, Durry said; the problem is a lack of political leadership.

No immunization has taken place for several years in wide swaths of Waziristan, where the army is fighting tribes aligned with the Taliban. As many as 350,000 unvaccinated children driven out of those areas now live in slums all over the country, and 50 vaccinators or their police escorts have been killed since 2012.

Here’s some trivia from Owatonna High School:

1. What were the OHS school colors prior to blue and silver? They were orange and black. The first football game played wearing the blue and silver colors was on September 15, 1944 against Rochester. It was also the first appearance of head coach Paul Becker and backfield coach John Burma. The student body officially voted to change the school colors on May 20, 1949.
2. When did the Owatonna Indians change to the Huskies? The new Husky mascot was announced at a pepfest on April 12, 1994. The change was voted on by the student body. Other choices for the mascot’s name were the Lightning and the Royals.

Secrets to a long happy marriage: An old woman was sipping on a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she says, “I love you so much. I don’t know how I could ever live without you.” Her husband asks, “Is that you, or the wine talking?” She replies, “It’s me, talking to the wine.”