

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

Sept. 17

Stormy Trom, Director, Steele County Food Shelf

Sept. 24

Business Meeting

Oct. 1

School Board Candidates

Oct. 8

City Council/Mayor Candidates

Oct. 15

State House and Senate Candidates

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/Introduction of new Exchange Students/Camp Enterprise student

December 3

Val Rose, OHS Options Program

December 10

Linda Christianson: Overcoming Polio Challenges...Past and Present

December 17

Holiday Show

ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, October 8, 2012

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to our guests. Today, we feature candidates for city council and Mayor in our candidate forum. Candidates include: **Mayor:** Tom Kuntz (I) and Jon Spatenka; **Alderman at Large:** Les Abraham (I) and Ben Flemke; **2nd ward:** Greg Schultz (I) and Joe Peterson; **4th ward:** Kevin Raney, Shannon Boerner, Marlene Nelson. The forum is sponsored by the Owatonna People's Press, Chamber of Commerce and the Early Edition and Noon ROTARY Clubs.

BIRTHDAYS: Don Larson, Oct. 8, Mary Kay Feltes, Oct. 12, Dave Albrecht and Tanya Paley, Oct. 14.

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

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

NOTES

This week has been proclaimed by Mayor Kuntz as "Owatonna Foundation Week". There will be a couple of activities this week in connection with the Owatonna Foundation. This Wednesday, Buffalo Wild Wings will donate ten percent of food sales from every table presenting a coupon. Coupons are available at Kottke Jewelers or any Owatonna Foundation Trustee. Also look for an ad in the Peoples Press containing a coupon

This Friday, October 12, there will be a wine tasting held at the Holiday Inn from 6:00-9:00 p.m. It is being sponsored by the Holiday Inn and Cashwise Liquor. Tickets at \$20.00 are available at Cashwise Liquor, Kottke Jewelers or from any Owatonna Foundation Trustee.

Any of our visitors interested in learning more about joining the Owatonna noon ROTARY Club? Contact membership chair Earl Anderson. For the Early Edition Club, contact John Havelka.

Question for bright people: What famous North American landmark is constantly moving backward? (Ans. Below)

The United Nations has six official languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. ROTARY INTERNATIONAL has one official language, English, and provides materials in French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish, Hindi, Japanese and Korean.

This comes from ROTARIAN Charlie Herrman:

HOW MANY CHRISTIANS DOES IT TAKE TO CHANGE A LIGHT BULB?

Presbyterians: None. Lights will go on and off at predestined times

Charismatic: Only one...hands are already in the air

Pentecostal: Ten: One to change the bulb and nine to pray against the spirit of darkness

Roman Catholic: None...candles only (of guaranteed origin, of course)

Baptists: At least 15. One to change the bulb and three committees to approve the change and decide who brings potato salad and fried chicken

Episcopalians: Three: One to call the electrician, one to mix the drinks and one to talk about how much better the old one was.

Mormans: Five. One man to change the bulb and four wives to tell him how to do it.

Methodists: Undetermined. Whether your light is bright, dull or completely out, you are loved. You can be a light bulb, turnip bulb or tulip bulb. Bring a bulb of your choice and a covered dish to pass.

Lutherans: None: Lutherans don't believe in change.

Amish: What's a light bulb?

Answer to quiz question above: Niagara Falls: The rim is worn down about two and a half feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water that rush over it every minute.