



# O-Pinion

Owatonna, Minnesota

## LIGHT UP ROTARY

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 | 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 and Camp Enterprise Student

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

Hamie Torbpour, Winter State Entertainment

Open

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# ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, September 15, 2014

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** Today's guest speaker is Lori Running, Director of Advocates for Developmental Disabilities.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Jim Brunner, Sept. 17 and Edna Ringhofer, Sept. 18

**STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Ella Rasp, Erin Lau, Jacob Hellevik and Michael Pfeifer

**IN-BOUND STUDENTS:** Tloto Lesetedi, South Africa, Aya Murakami, Japan, Cindy Delemare, France, Joao Bueno, Brazil

## **ROTARY NOTES**

This Saturday marks the day in 1814 when a Baltimore newspaper printed Francis Scott Key's poem, which later became the national anthem of the United States.

ROTARIAN Jen Dunn Foster is still in need of two host families for this school year. If you can help, see Jen.

The need is out for 12 Mentors for STRIVE students. The first gathering of these students and Mentors is Tuesday, September 23. If interested, let ROTARIAN Tom Sager know.

Nomination forms are now on the ROTARY website as well as from ROTARIAN Dave Effertz for the Paul Harris/Vern White award which will recognize 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 Four Way Test. The award will be presented on the first Monday of November, Foundation Month.

ROTARIAN Pat Greenwood announces an Outbound Exchange for ROTARIANS to Romania, April 18-29, 2015, Contact Pat for more information.

ROTARIAN Keith Hiller, Chief of Police in Owatonna recently completed the on-line version of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. For the past 22 weeks, Chief Hiller has been engaged in an intensive program for law enforcement leaders that uniquely combines academic principles with practical applications. The school challenges students to expand their thinking beyond the supervisor mind set to a more global perspective.

Only five countries have won soccer's World Cup more than once and Brazil, home country to In-Bound Exchange Student Joao Bueno, is one of them. In fact, Brazil has won five times, more than any other nation. ROTARIANS who come to Sao Paulo for the RI convention in June will find themselves among some of the world's biggest fans of soccer. Brazil won the world cup in 1958, 1962, 1970, 1994 and 2002.

Register for the 2015 RI Convention in Sao Paulo at [www.riconvention.org](http://www.riconvention.org).

Thanks to ROTARIAN Kim Cosens for your fine piano playing at our meetings. Your playing made an impression on our speaker last week. Notice the smiles of surprise on our new students each month when Kim strikes up the keys for our song club singing.

When the airliner was diverted unexpectedly to another airport due to a mechanical problem, the flight attendant said there would be a delay and if the passengers wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50 minutes. Everybody got off the plane except one blind lady. Her guide dog lay quietly underneath the seats in front of her. The pilot apparently knew her and called her by name. He said, "Kathy we are going to be delayed an hour, would you like to get off and stretch your legs? The blind lady said, "No thanks, but maybe Buddy would like to stretch his. All the people in the gate came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a guide dog for the blind! Even worse, the pilot was wearing sunglasses! People scattered. They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to change airlines! (TRUE STORY)