

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

September 19

Introduction of new In-Bound Exchange Students

September 26

Business meeting/United Way Presentation

October 3

Books for Africa/Seth Eggessa

October 10

November school district vote

October 17

Fred Senn, Founding Partner, Fallon Worldwide

October 24

Steve Stansberry, School Dist. Energy Education Specialist

October 31

Business Meeting/Preview of Foundation Month

November 7

Tim Penny, Southern Minnesota Initiative Fund

November 14

University of Minnesota Alumni Association

November 21

Steven Resler, National Pork Board and Minn. Pork Producers

November 28

Business Meeting

December 5

Melanie Nelson: EPES

December 12

Bill Donovan, Owatonna Area Hospice

REACH WITHIN TO EMBRACE HUMANITY!

OWATONNA ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, September 26, 2011

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: This is a regular business meeting, plus a presentation on the fall United Way campaign by ROTARIANS Dave Albrecht and Evelina Giobbe.

BIRTHDAYS: Keith Hiller, Sept. 23, Holly Hull, Sept. 26, Paul Swenson, Sept. 27, Kim Cosens, Sept. 28, Stephanie Olson, Sept. 29

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Tess Starman, Emily Moothart, Laura Meyer, Zach Miller

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE: Johan Wagner Frandsen, Denmark, Carla de Oliveria Silva, Brazil

ROTARY NOTES

Scheduled greeters for October are Betty Rossi, Kurt Welker and Dave Allard. Scheduled invocation leader is Mike Jensen.

The 2012 RI Convention will be in Bangkok, Thailand, May 6-9. Register at www.rotary.org/convention.

ROTARY DISTRICT 5960 FOUNDATION CELEBRATION...SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 AT THE PROM CENTER IN OAKDALE. PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE CELEBRATION.

Deadline for applications for the 6th RFE Friendship Exchange to Turkey is October 31. Dates of the outbound exchange are May 24-June 3, 2012. More info on the ROTARY website or from ROTARIANS Lonna Lysne and Pat Greenwood.

A study published in the April Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine found that people who travel for business more than two weeks a month have a higher body mass index and rate of obesity than those who travel less frequently. Road warriors logging at least 20 nights per month away from home were 260 percent more likely than light travelers to rate their health as fair or poor.

Fourteen is the average age at which U.S. teens take their first alcoholic drink. Twenty-five percent of teens who drink say they had their first alcoholic beverage before they turned 12 and 70 percent say they have a friend who drinks alcohol at least once a week, according to the annual Partnership Attitude Tracking Study, released in April by the Partnership at Drugfree.org. Nearly half of teens say they do not see a great risk in heavy daily drinking.

Mentoring sessions for the STRIVE program at Owatonna High School begin this week. Thanks to the following ROTARIANS who have volunteered as Mentors: Dave Effertz, Doug Johnson, Bruce Paulson, Dave Olson, Tom Barry, Tom Sager, John Thompson, Dave Ramsey, Glen Meger, Christian Duruji, Sonja Duruji, Kim Westphal, Susie Hoopes, Lois Nelson, Stephanie Olson, Kris Busse, Tabby DeLeeuw, and Nancy Dietz. Substitutes are Erin Felten and Julie Rethemeier.

Four old retired guys are walking down a street in Mesa. They see a sign that says "Old Timers Bar-All Drinks 10 cents." This is too good to be true! So they walk in and each order a martini. In short order, the bartender serves up 4 iced martinis and says, "That'll be 10 cents each". They pay the 40 cents, finish their martinis and order another round. "That's 40 cents please." They pay but their curiosity is more than they can stand...finally one man said, "How can you afford to serve martinis as good as these for a dime each?" The bartender said, "I'm a retired tailor from Boston. I always wanted to own a bar. Last year I hit the Lottery for \$25 million and decided to open this place. Every drink costs a dime...wine, liquor, beer...it's all the same." The four sipped their drinks and couldn't help notice seven other people at the end of the bar who didn't have a drink in front of them. "What's with them?" one asks the bartender. The bartender says, "They're all old retired farmers from Minnesota, waiting for happy hour when the drinks are half price."