



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

- Sept. 19: United Way Kickoff
- Sept. 26: Anne Cummins, Federal Correction Institution, Waseca
- 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: Exchange Student Lizzie from Zimbabwe
- December 5: Dr. Burkholder, Mayo Health System: Avoiding a Stroke, Signs and Symptoms
- December 12: Patrick Donahue, James J. Hill Center
- December 19: Christmas Musical
- December 26: Margaret Sager, Returnee from Brazil
- January 9: Deb Knutson, Canoe Journey Down the Mississippi to the Gulf
- January 16: Open

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Monday, September 26, 2016

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Anne Cummins, Case Management Coordinator with the Federal Correctional Institution in Waseca. She is also bring with her two women who will share their stories of the choices that put them on their pathway to crime and what they are doing now for release.

BIRTHDAYS: Kim Cosens, Sept. 28, Stephanie Olson, Sept. 29

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Last day for Hunter Atkinson, Nathan Deason, Noah Loveless and Derek Thada

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

NEXT MONTH STUDENT ROTARIANS: Darren Reed, Josh Cooke and Judy Plemel

OCTOBER GREETERS: Matt Stanislav, Lon Thiele, Penny Vizina

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS:

The Board of Directors approved hosting of another exchange student from South Africa who wishes to visit the United States beginning in January. Traci is beginning work on this to locate a family (s) who would wish to host this student. If you are interested or know someone who is, please let Traci Schimek know.

A message from District Gov. Jim Hunt: "Charity Navigator that reviews and rates non-profit foundations around the world has changed their rating system to a numerical score. Previously it had rated charities from 1 to 4 stars and the Rotary Foundation had maintained a 4-star rating. Now with the new system, TRF has obtained a 100 score which is the ultimate score. Of the 8,350 International charities rated, only 52 received a 100. The ROTARY Foundation is truly one of the very best in the world."

From Kalyan Banerjee, Foundation Trustee Chair: "In my country, ROTARY has been on a literacy mission for the past few years. India has a population of 1.2 billion and is about 75 percent literate. Illiteracy occurs mainly in rural India where more people live. So, ROTARY IN India joined hands with the government to eliminate illiteracy, especially among women, because literate women raise literate families, ensuring a better future for all. As we observe Basic Education and Literacy Month in September, let's think about the millions whose chances for success remain blocked by illiteracy. Our Foundation is helping many of them, but with ROTARIAN support and involvement, we can do so much better."

Q: Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what?

A: Their birthplace

Q: Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name requested?

A: Obsession

Q: If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter 'A'?

A: One thousand

Many of us will get their flu shots soon. Here's an interesting fact. Adults who got the flu shot from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. had a greater antibody response to the vaccine, which means stronger and better protection, compared to those who went from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. per new UK research. One possible explanation is that your immune system may be more active in the morning.

I told the doctor I thought I had athlete's foot. He looked at me and said, "I don't think you have athlete's anything."

Nominations for the annual Vern White Award are being accepted. The award is presented to a non-ROTARIAN who lives their life representing the ROTARY 4-Way test. Forward them to Roger Wareheim.

Deadline is Oct. 10.