

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	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	Noon	Marriott				

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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Aug. 26	Laura Heyne, Junior Achievement in Owatonna
Sept. 2	No Meeting...Labor Day
Sept. 9	Tom Wilson: Eagan ROTARY Ethics Program
Sept. 16	Steele County United Way
Sept. 23	Gary Campbell, District Governor
Sept. 30	Business Meeting/Rick Ormsby, Faribault Rotary Club
Oct. 1	Meet the Candidates, City
Oct. 14	County Information
Oct. 21	School Levy Question
Oct. 28	Business Meeting
Nov. 4	Foundation Month: Presentation of Vern White Award
Nov. 11	Lesa Anderson: "Twelve Families for the Holidays"
Nov. 18	Open date
Nov. 25	Business Meeting
Dec. 2	Mike Johnson, Owatonna Fire Chief
Dec. 9	Open Date
Dec 16	OHS Christmas Carolers;
Dec. 23	Christmas Show

Monday, September 9, 2013

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Tom Wilson of the Eagan ROTARY Club who will make a presentation on their club's Ethics program.

BIRTHDAYS: Brock Veldman, Sept. 6

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Welcome to Josh Dub, Ryan Huang, Taylor Krogman and Marna Wal

EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Daniil, Russia, Thor, Thailand, Andrea, Italy, Adish, India

ROTARY NOTES

September is "New Generations" Month on the ROTARY calendar. When you invest in young people, you invest in ROTARY's future.

We have a rather lengthy list of members who are behind on paying dues. Treasurer Jim Brunner respectfully asks that you check to make sure you are up to date on your dues.

Thanks to ROTARIANS Bill Regan and Katy Kreuter of the Owatonna Bus Co. for providing transportation to our meetings each week for our Students of the Month and our Exchange Students.

Mentors for students involved in the STRIVE program are being sought. Meetings start this month (third Tuesday of each month from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the high school. If you can help, please contact ROTARIAN Tabby DeLeeuw at 363-1653. Twenty mentors are needed.

Any piano players available to help at Hospice? The family of Fred Voth purchased a piano and donated it to the Homestead Hospice House. HHH is now looking for established piano players to come out to Homestead and play for an hour or two, preferably in the afternoons...Sunday/Saturday. Contact Bill Donovan at 977-2880 or e-mail at William. Donovan@allina.com.

There will be a 2014 ROTARY Friendship Exchange with District 4240 in Costa Rica. The outbound exchange to Costa Rica is from January 9-19. This exchange is for ROTARIANS and family members/significant others as outlined in the application. Applications are due no later than Sept 20 and can be found on the ROTARY website or talk with ROTARIAN Pat Greenwood.

TV's Mister Rogers said it: "I don't believe that children can develop in a healthy way unless they feel that they have value apart from anything they own or any skill they learn."

An icy fact: The maximum extent of the Arctic Ocean's ice cover this year was measured at 5.82 million square miles, a decrease of nearly 145,000 square miles from the average over the last 30 years. Of the 10 lowest recorded measurements of its maximum ice cover, nine have been taken during the last 10 years. Last September, at the end of summer in the Northern Hemisphere, the ice cover shrank to its lowest extent on record.

So anyway: Sven and Ole went out duck hunting. They worked at it for a couple hours and finally Sven says, "I vonder why aren't we getting any ducks, Ole?" "I don't know," says Ole. "I vonder if we're throwing the dog high enough."

They say: Christmas is just like a day at the office. You do all the work and the fat guy in the suit gets all the credit.

HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!