



# Owatonna Rotary Early Edition

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Owatonna Early Edition Rotary is a group of vibrant, committed members, well-connected throughout Owatonna, who come together with a can-do spirit and embody an attitude of getting their hands dirty to better the community and the world through a variety of activities and projects.

The group meets every Tuesday morning for breakfast at the Kitchen. While enjoying fellowship, we get the experience of listening and participating with speakers from the community representing such areas as industry, government, healthcare, and education.

The commitment includes coming to meetings as well as practicing the Fourway Test Basics of Rotary at your business and in your everyday life. Rotary is a fun way to meet fellow energetic, committed business people who share a passion to help others in need while conducting their lives in a highly ethical and professional manner.

## Upcoming Events

Date	Event Type	Program Assignment	Details
December 19	Weekly Meeting	Karen Snorek	Keith Stover, President of South Central College
December 26	Weekly Meeting	Good King Wenceslas	No Meeting this Week
January 2	Weekly Meeting	Steve Kasper	
January 9	Weekly Meeting	Jeremy Kramer	
January 16	Weekly Meeting	Brent Quast	

## December 12 Meeting

Bill Nietz of the Rochester (MN) Rotary was our guest speaker. Bill is a Past President of the Rochester club, and serves on the District Membership Committee. Bill spoke to our club about membership, recruitment, and retention.

Bill had many useful tidbits, including:

- Less than 30% of Rotarians ever invite a new member to join.
- Focus on finding quality members – not necessarily on filling specific classification slots.
- “Non-traditional” occupations and retirees can be great sources of members

Thanks, Bill, for a timely and practical presentation.

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# December 12 Meeting Highlights

**Prayer:** Dave Otterson

**Four-Way Test:** Brian Whited

**Drawing winner:** Dave Otterson. Interestingly, his daughters were in charge of the drawing...

**Guests:** Brooke and Marie Otterson, celebrating Family Month with their father, Dave.

Scott Palmer, Director of Development at Owatonna Hospital.

## Announcements

- Please see Scott's e-mail from December 12, outlining the results of the Board Meeting of the Same Day. Congratulations to President-Elect Brad Meier, and President-Elect-Nominee Nick Lewis.
- Keith Stover, President of South Central College, will speak at our December 19 meeting. He will discuss his experience in trying to promote an exchange program in Thailand for students/faculty/staff. He will also bring along our Dean of Technology, Wes Taylor who also went to Thailand with Keith and a group of about 6 people.
- This month's District Newsletter is online. Check it out at:  
<http://www.rotary5960.org/showDoc.cfm?pObject=21&pMenuTop=7>

## Rotary Minute

Just a reminder – December is Family Month! Also, please invite some guests/prospective members to upcoming meetings. Consider getting involved in the Board, while you're at it.

## Area Meeting Places and Times

Austin/Mondays/Noon/Holiday Inn	Greater Rochester/Wednesdays/Noon/Radisson Plaza Hotel
Janesville/Mondays/6 PM/St. Ann's Parish	Winona/Wednesdays/Noon/Westfield Golf Club
Rochester Risers/Tuesdays/7 AM/Hilton Garden Inn	Northfield/Thursdays/Noon/Northfield Golf Club
Red Wing/Tuesdays/St James Hotel	Rochester/Thursdays/Noon/Kahler Grand Hotel
Faribault/Wednesdays/Noon/Bernie's Grill	Waseca/Thursdays/Noon/Miller-Armstrong Bldg
Mankato/Wednesdays/Noon/Elks Club	Albert Lea/Fridays/Noon/Bombo's Restaurant at the Days Inn
North Mankato/Fridays/Noon/Garden Inn	<a href="http://www.rotaryclubone.org">www.rotaryclubone.org</a> (cyber club make up electronically!)
Owatonna/Monday/Noon/Holiday Inn	

# Current Members

W. Scott	Cody*	Lynne	Hobgood	Bill	Lawrence	Darren	Roemhildt
Steve	Custis	Bob	Howell	Nick	Lewis	Royal	Ross
Nancy	Deetz	Steve	Kasper	Brad	Meier	Karen	Snorek
Ron	Ensley	Mike	Keller*	David	Otterson	Nicole	Suemnick
Marty	Hatfield	Jeremy	Kramer	Brent	Quast	Brian	Whited*
John	Havelka	Kate	Krause	Mike	Ritter		
Jim	Herzog	Greg	Krueger			* = Past	President

# Club Schedules

Date	Program	Greeter	Prayer
12-Dec	Brian Whited	Lawrence, Hatfield	Otterson, Dave
19-Dec	Karen Snorek	Lawrence, Hatfield	Roemhildt, Darren
26-Dec	No meeting this week		
2-Jan	Steve Kasper	Hobgood, Havelka	Deetz, Nancy
9-Jan	Jeremy Kramer	Hobgood, Havelka	Ross, Royal
16-Jan	Brent Quast	Hobgood, Havelka	Keller, Mike
23-Jan	Offsite meeting		
30-Jan	Nancy Deetz	Hobgood, Havelka	Whited, Brian
6-Feb	Bill Lawrence	Herzog, Ross	Suemnick, Nicole
13-Feb	Greg Krueger	Herzog, Ross	Cody, Scott
20-Feb	Brad Meier	Herzog, Ross	Lewis, Nick
27-Feb	Offsite meeting		
6-Mar		Lewis, Ensley	Meier, Brad
13-Mar	Bob Howell	Lewis, Ensley	Lawrence, Bill
20-Mar	Kate Krause	Lewis, Ensley	Krueger, Greg
27-Mar	Offsite meeting		
3-Apr	Marty Hatfield	Deetz, Krause	Otterson, Dave
10-Apr	Steve Custis	Deetz, Krause	Roemhildt, Darren
17-Apr	John Havelka	Deetz, Krause	Ross, Royal
24-Apr	Offsite meeting		
1-May	Neil Falken	Suemnick, Quast	Keller, Mike
8-May	Mike Ritter	Suemnick, Quast	Whited, Brian
15-May	Jim Herzog	Suemnick, Quast	Suemnick, Nicole
22-May	Offsite meeting		
29-May	Royal Ross	Suemnick, Quast	Deetz, Nancy
5-Jun	Nicole Suemnick	Steve Kasper	Cody, Scott

# District Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event to Remember</i>
November 11	District Foundation Event Midland Hills Country Club (6:00 pm) - Roseville, Minnesota
November 17	District Grants Subcommittee
November 18	Asst Governor 07-08 Training
December 15	District Grants Subcommittee
January 19, 2007	District Grants Subcommittee
January 20, 2007	Midterm & Pre-PETS - Stillwater, Minnesota
February 16	District Grants Subcommittee
February 16-17, 2007	On to Winnipeg - Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, Canada
February 19-March 26, 2007	GSE team to Australia
February 23, 2007	102nd anniversary of Rotary! District Team Training
March 12-18, 2007	World Rotaract Week
March 16-17, 2007	Presidents Elect Training Session PETS (07-08 PE)
March 22, 2007	World Water Day
March 23, 2007	District Grants Subcommittee
April 13-17, 2007	Camp RYLA
April 19-21, 2007	District Conference Holiday Inn - Owatonna, Minnesota
April 27, 2007	District Grants Subcommittee
April 30, 2007	District Assembly - Faribault location
May 4-30, 2007	GSE team to Ecuador
May 5, 2007	District Assembly - Shoreview location
May 8, 2007	District Assembly - St Croix Falls location

See more on the District 5960 Calendar  
District 5960 "Calendar of Events"

On-line at: [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org)

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