

Rotary *O-Pinion*

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

Meeting each Monday 12:00 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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THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF ROTARY IS TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY INITIATIVES THAT INCLUDE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES SO THAT MEMBERS WILL ENGAGE IN SERVICE ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY AND AROUND THE WORLD.

PROGRAMS

Jan. 6: Lonny Stormo, Crutches for Africa

Jan, 13: Jess Crotser, Recruitment Specialist, Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Jan. 20: Charlie Mandile, Executive Director, Free Clinic

Jan 27: Business Meeting/Erin Baker, Camp Enterprise Attendee

Feb 3: Christina Wright-Peterson, Executive Director: Season's Hospice

Feb. 10: Pearl Randon, United Way Youth Support Coordinator

Feb. 17: Edna Ringhofer: Healthy Seniors

Feb. 24: Business Meeting : Classification talk and Chamber of Commerce 2024 update

March 3: Open

March 10: Open

March 17: Open

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Monday, January 6, 2025

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: We will hear from Lonny Stormo who is heading up the "Crutches for Africa". Lonny is also the next incoming District Governor.

BIRTHDAYS: Pat Greenwood, Jan 3.

STUDENT ROTARIANS FOR JAN: Welcome to Isabella Schultz, Brielle Burns, Logan Langeberg Lilly Trager and Hannah Parrish

IN-BOUND STUDENT: Lea from Belgium

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS:

*Our sincere condolences to ROTARIAN Mike Jensen on the death of his father, Jon Jensen.

***FROM RI PESIDENT STEPHANIE URCHICK:** "I always walk into meetings at my home club of McMurry, Pennsylvania, with a smile on my face. A few years ago, someone arrived late. Instead of scolding the person, we cheered. Since then we've made it a tradition to applaud all members when they arrive for meetings. It's tough not to smile with a greeting like that! There's nothing more powerful for engaging and retaining members than a club that's vibrant, welcoming, and yes, fun !

*The time has come for the legendary Dr. Zahi Hawass to unveil ancient Egypt mysteries that were lost for millennia. The real-life Indiana Jones returns to North America to share the latest discoveries, reveal groundbreaking finds drawn from his most recent excavations and make the most thrilling announcements of his remarkable career. ROTARIANS are issued a special invitation to hear and see this captivating all-new multi-media presentation. This event will make history, live on stage, and you are invited to see it. Dr. Hawass will be in Minneapolis on June 30, 2025. Seats are limited. Register now at www.ZahilLectures.com or call 646-757-1717.

*Most of us wince when we take our car in for mechanical work knowing we'll unload at least \$500 or more. Here's a note from yesteryear on fixing up the old Model T. "Many Model T's can be driven two, three and five years and even longer. You'll be surprised how little it costs to put it in tip top shape. New fenders, for instance, cost from \$3.50 to \$5.00 each. Labor charge is \$1.00 to \$2.50. Tuning up the motor costs \$1.00. Brake shoes can be installed and emergency brakes equalized for a labor charge for \$1.25. A labor charge of \$4.00 or \$5.00 will cover the overhaul of the front axle, re-bushing springs and aligning and adjusting wheels. Labor charge for overhauling the average rear axle run from \$5.75 to \$7.00. Grinding valves and cleaning carbon can be done for \$3.00. A set of four new pistons and rings costs only \$7.00. Motor and transmission completely overhaul costs \$20.00."

*HAVE A HAPPY AND POSPEROUS 2025!