

Rotary O-Pinion

CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD

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

July 24: Vanessa Jensen, Director, Junior Achievement

July 31: Scott Mohs: Riverfront Project

August 7: Scott Kozelka, 2023 Fair Preview

August 14: Kelly McIntee: Youth Oriented Leadership Organization

August 21: Jennifer Thiele, Director: Steele County History Center

August 28: Club business

September 4: No meeting...Labor Day

September 11: Annette Duncan, Steele County United Way

September 18: Eva Balzer, Manager, Sherwin Williams: "Beautifying under the Bridge"

September 25: Business meeting

October 2: Sara McKay and Tom Dufresne: Owatonna Foundation

October 9: Patricia McCleese: District Governor

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Monday, August 7, 2023

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Fair time is just around the corner. Fair Manager Scott Kozelka is with us today to preview this year's fair.

BIRTHDAYS: Bill Owens, Aug. 9, Jeff Hall, Aug. 11

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

A MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT R. GORDON R. MCINALLY: "At the 2023 RI Convention in Melbourne, I asked all ROTARY members to become champions in our effort to illuminate mental health need near and far. This includes helping one another feel more supported, advocating for mental health services, and building bridges with experts in the field to expand access to treatment. It's an important task and a big ask. But, it's also something that should feel familiar to every ROTARY member...because everything we do is in the spirit of caring, giving, friendship and compassion, and has been from our organization's beginning.

CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD. WHEN WE NURTURE PEACE, OPPORTUNITIES, AND ONE ANOTHER, WE HELP HEAL THE WORLD AND CREATE LASTING CHANGE.

NOTES ABOUT THE FAIR:

*Fair dates are August 15-20.

*The Grandstand lineup:

Tuesday, 6:00: FFA Alumni Classic Antique Tractor Pull (Free Show!)

Wednesday, 7:00: Locash with guest Drake Milligan

Thursday: Hairball

Friday: 7:00: Craig Morgan with special guest Ashley Barron

Saturday: 7:30: Bulls 'N Barrels

Sunday, 2:00: Demo Derby

Did you know? Vaccinated people run a 5 to 10 percent risk of developing long covid if they are infected. For the unvaccinated, the risk of long Covid, defined as symptoms that last three months after infection is 15 to 20 percent, even if they've been previously infected.

So anyway: I rear ended a car this morning, the start of a REALLY bad day. The driver got out of his car and I discovered he was a dwarf! He looked up at me and said, "I am not happy!" So, I said, "Which one are you?" That's when the fight started.