

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

October 2: Sara McKay and Tom Dufresne: Owatonna Foundation

October 9: Patricia McCleese: District Governor

October 16: Little Theatre preview

October 23: Dave Beaver, Manager, Owatonna Airport

October 30: Business Meeting

November 6: Regan Birr, a lifetime of fighting Lupus

November 13: Paul Harris/Vern White Award

November 20: Scott Duffus: Member of support crew for a group of paddlers that set a record paddling the entire length of the Mississippi River.

November 27: Business meeting

December 4: Tim Penny, former Congressman and President, S.E. Minnesota Initiative Fund

December 11: Kory Kath, OHS Principal

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Monday, October 9, 2023

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Today we welcome our District Governor, Patricia McCleese

BIRTHDAYS: Casper, our In-Bound from Finland, Oct. 14

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

The Selection Committee for this year's Paul Harris/Vern White award has announced that Rebecca Moore has been selected as this year's recipient. More on Rebecca later. The Paul Harris/Vern White award will be presented on November 13.

FROM RI PRESIDENT R.GORDON R. MCINALLY; "Tomorrow, Oct. 10, is World Mental Health Day proclaimed by the World Health Organization. Tomorrow I will host a Facebook Live event when we will recognize World Mental Health Day and further explore how ROTARY members can begin this journey. I would like to leave you with one way every ROTARY member can make a difference. Right now there is someone you know in the ROTARY WORLD...in your club, from a project you've worked on, in a ROTARY FELLOWSHIP OR ROTARY ACTION GROUP who could use a little more of your time and attention. ROTARY is this great gift of global friendship, and that also means being there for each other. Discovering the human connections that bind us is what we do through our membership every day. It's what ROTARY has always been about, and we can build on it by helping each other find peace at home."

TENNY MEMORIAL RECEPTION

A reception for the family of former OHS Choral Director Roger Tenney will be held this Saturday, October 14, at the Owatonna Arts Center from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

A PACODERM STORY

Elephants in the Houston Zoo are a limber group, thanks to the yoga practice they begin soon after they are born. In fact, Tess, a 40-year-old can lift her 6,500 pound body into a handstand. Adult elephants do their sets of exercises twice daily to help keep their joints moving and are rewarded with fruit or bread. Kirstin Windle, the zoo's elephant manager said, "We want them to constantly learn new things. They are really smart and they want to be constantly learning and working.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

A woman meant to call a record store but dialed the wrong number and reached a private home instead. "Do you have 'Eyes of Blue' and 'A Love Supreme?'" she asked. "Well, no," answered the puzzled homeowner. "But I've got a wife and eleven children." "Is that a record?" she asked. "I don't think so," replied the man, "but its as close as I want to get!"