

# Rotary O-Pinion

## ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES

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

April 5: Roger Warehime, Manager, Owatonna Public Utilities

April 12: Brad Meier, President, Owatonna Chamber of Commerce

April 19: Rick Heidick: Fast for Hope

April 26: Jenna Tuma, New Owatonna Parks and Recreation Director

May 3: Scot Davis, former OHS wrestling coach

May 10: Open

My 17: Park and Recreation: Missy Ahrens and Tim Truelson. Presentation of ROTARY check.

May 24: Open

May 31: Memorial Day...no meeting

June 7: Chad Lange, Jim Brunner: Butterfly program

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Monday, April 19, 2021

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** We will address Fast for Hope with our guest, Rick Heidick, member of the Stillwater Sunrise ROTARY Club. He is currently the Chair for the District Fast for Hope Initiative. He has been involved with Fast for Hope for six years.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Steve Rohlik, April 18, Ann Miller, April 19, Pastor Todd Buegler, April 20, Jim Wendorf, April 21.

**APRIL STUDENTS:** Arian Piepho, Emily Hagen, Gabe Tratz, Lauren Phelps

## **NOTES FOR ROTARIANS**

In January, the RI Board of Directors made the difficult but prudent decision to convert the 2021 RI International Convention to a virtual event. "As an organization that is at the forefront of eradicating polio and other preventable diseases, we have clear responsibilities in mitigating the threat of COVID-19" said RI General Secretary John Hewko. ROTARY is committed to using this change as an opportunity. The 2021 Virtual RI Convention is scheduled for June 12-16. The virtual experience is being crafted to offer new ways for participants to engage with ROTARY members from around the world. Wherever you are, in June you can be a part of the Virtual RI International Convention.

I'm so excited to take the garbage out...I wonder what I should wear?

Did you know? "Hoagy" Carmichael holds the record for the song with the longest title. The song was released around 1943: 'I'm a Cranky Old Yank in a Clanky Old Tank on the Streets of Yokohama with my Honolulu Mama Doin' These Beat-o, Beat-o Flat-On-My-Seato, Hirohito Blues.'

Here's how you know you are living in 2021:

- \*You accidentally enter your PIN on the microwave.
- \*You haven't played Solitaire with real cards in years.
- \*You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three
- \*You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.

What is your favorite childhood memory? Mine is my back not hurting.

ROTARY unites problem solvers around the globe behind one goal: to do more good. Our members are driven to bring communities together to create lasting change. Connecting to make things better – that's what people of action do.

## **OUTSTANDING SENIORS TO BE HONORED**

Nomination forms are now available for the 2021 Male/Female Senior Citizen Volunteer of the Year. This award is sponsored by the Steele County Exchange Club and the SCFF. Nominees should be 70 and over. They will be honored on Senior Day (Thurs) at the fair in Fair Square Park. Deadline for nominations is May 1. Nomination forms are available at the West Hills Social Commons, the fair office, and the SCFF website and from Bruce Kubicek at 451-6616. Fair dates this year are August 17-22.

With the couple celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, someone asked the husband how he managed to live with the same woman all these years. The husband replied, "Well, I treated her with respect, spent money on her, but mostly I took her traveling on special occasions." "Trips to where?" he was asked. "For our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, I took her to Beijing, China." "What are you going to do for your wife on your 50<sup>th</sup>?" he was asked. "I'm going to go get her."