

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

March 8: Dr. “Nuga”, Pres, Riverland and Barb Embacher, V.P. Academic Affairs

March 15: Mayor Tom Kuntz/Kris Busse: State of the City

March 22: Keith Hiller, Owatonna Police Chief

March 29: Maureen Schlobohm and Nancy Ness, co-directors of Community Pathways

April 5: Roger Warehime, Manager, Owatonna Public Utilities

April 12: Owatonna Parks and Recreation: We All Play Report and check presentation

April 19: Rick Heidick: Fast for Hope

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

May 3: Open

May 10: OHS National Honor Society

My 17: Open

May 24: Open

May 31: Memorial Day...no meeting

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THIS WEEK: Our own ROTARIAN Roger Warehime, Manager of the Owatonna Public Utilities, will update us on the utilities in Owatonna and upcoming projects for OPU.

BIRTHDAYS: Loren Olson and Dick Slieter, April 6, Todd Hale, April 8, Julie Anderson and Harold McGregor, April 9.

APRIL STUDENT ROTARIANS: Welcome to Emily Hagen, Arian Piepho, Gabe Tratz and Lauren Phelps.

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

From RI President Holger Knaack: "This year we celebrate Earth Day on April 22 with a new sense of purpose. The environment is now an area of focus for ROTARY. Solutions for all great tasks always start with you and me, and there is much we, as individuals, can do simply by changing our behavior. Cutting down our use of plastic and using energy wisely are just two examples. But now, we have the opportunity to do more together. Supporting the environment is not new to ROTARY. Clubs have long worked on environmental issues based on local needs. Now climate change....a problem that affects us all, rich and poor, requires us to work together more closely than ever.

Support from the ROTARY FOUNDATION will define this new chapter in our service. Through district and global grant projects, we will build upon our previous projects that help the environment. We will look for more ways to collaborate more closely and make a greater impact on global environmental issues. And we will incorporate environmental concerns into all of our programs, projects and events,"

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SO ANYWAY

Yesterday was Easter Sunday. Here is my traditional Easter story: A man is driving along a highway and sees a rabbit jump out across the road. He swerves to avoid hitting it, but unfortunately the rabbit jumps right in front of the car. The driver, a sensitive man as well as an animal lover, pulls over and gets out to see what has become of the rabbit. Much to his dismay he discovers the rabbit is the Easter Bunny and he is DEAD! The driver feels so awful that he begins to cry. A beautiful woman driving down the highway, sees the man crying on the side of the road and pulls over. She steps out of the car and asks the man what was wrong. "I feel terrible," he explains. "I accidentally hit the Easter Bunny with my car and killed him!" The woman says, "Don't worry." She runs to her car and pulls out a spray can. She walks over to the limp, dead Easter Bunny, bends down and sprays the contents onto him. The Easter Bunny jumps up, waves its paw at the two of them and hops off down the road. Ten feet away, he stops, turns around and waves again. He hops down the road another ten feet, turns and waves, hops another ten feet, turns and waves and does this again, and again, and again, and again until he hops out of sight. The man is astonished. He runs over to the woman and demands, "What is in that can?" "What did you spray on the Easter Bunny?" The woman turns the can around so the man can read the label. It says, (are you ready for this?) (Are you sure?) (You know you're gonna be sorry!), (Last chance). OK...here it is. It says, "Hair spray restores life to dead hair, and adds permanent wave."

THAT'S IT FOR THIS WEEK! JOIN US ON ZOOM FOR OUR MEETING.