

ROTARY: BE THE INSPIRATION

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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PROGRAMS

July 9: Mark Fritsch: Climate Change...why the debate?

July 16: Lonna Lysne, Report on RI Convention in Toronto

July 23: Shirley Schultz, Mainstreet Owatonna

July 30: James Lundgren, Director, Steele County Historical Society

August 6: Preview: Steele County Free Fair: Scott Kozelka

August 13: Drawing: We All Play Raffle

August 20: Julie Rethemeier: Federated Drive Safely Initiative

August 27: Brew Pub: Roger Wareheim and Dave Effertz

September 3: No meeting...Labor Day

September 10: Steele County Workforce Initiative

September 17: Michael Wells, Sr. Scout Executive, Gamehaven Council Boy Scouts

September 24: Steele County United Way

October 1: Meet the Candidates: Congressional

October 8: Meet the Candidates: County

October 15: Meet the Candidates: City

October 22: Meet the Candidates: Legislative

October 29: Meet the Candidates: School Board

November 5: Dan Bass, Winona: "Coming in on a wing and a prayer"...a crash landing near Ellendale

November 12: Allied Against Opioid Abuse: Mary Kuna

November 19: Owatonna Clinic

November 26: Open December 3: Open

ROTARY O'PINION

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THIS WEEK: ROTARIAN Lonna Lysne will give a report on the RI Convention recently held in Toronto.

BIRTHDAYS: Greg Krueger, July 16, Sharon West, July 17

ROTARY NOTES

From RI President Barry Rassin: "Truly sustainable service, the kind of service we strive for in ROTARY, means looking at everything we do as part of a larger global ecology. This year, I ask all of you to *Be the Inspiration* for sustainable service by addressing the impact of environmental issues on our work. The environment plays a key role in all six of our areas of focus, and that role is only becoming greater as the impact of climate change unfolds. It's time to move past seeing the environment as somehow separate from those six areas. Clean air, water and land are essential for healthy communities, and essential for the better, healthier future we strive for. *Be the Inspiration...* and together we can, and we will, inspire the world."

Interested in volunteering at the fair? There are needs for volunteers to host the auto museum, the Muckle Museum, for parking. If you are interested, contact the fair office at 451-5305.

For those of you with kids and grandkids. The SCFF Mega-Ride tickets are now on sale at the Hy-Vee service counter. The ticket entitles the holder to unlimited rides on the Gold Star Midway all during the fair. They are \$55.00.

The July 4 fireworks show, sponsored by the Early Edition Club, was excellent this year. Our club donated \$500 to the fireworks fund for next year. Individual contributions can be sent to the Owatonna Chamber Foundation. Checks should be labeled "fireworks" fund. It is hoped to raise \$20,000 for next year's show.

ROTARIANS are invited to the fourth annual Gus' Station Breakfast and Car Show this coming Saturday from 8:30 to noon at the History Center.

Bike MS Ride Across Minnesota will overnight tomorrow night at the fairgrounds in Owatonna.

OUR CLUB IS RECEIVING FUNDS FROM MEMBERS FOR THE "WE ALL PLAY" PLAYGROUND. CHECKS CAN BE MADE OUT TO THE OWATONNA ROTARY CLUB LABELED "WE ALL PLAY" AND GIVEN TO TREASURER JIM BRUNNER.

A HINT ON REPELLING MOSQUITOS: Forgot your insect repellent while out for a hike. Just wave your arms. A study published in Current Biology reports that mosquitoes dislike air vibrations, such as those you create when you move. When vibrations are combined with your unique odor, mosquitos associate them with your odor and steer clear.

So anyway: On the first day at the new senior's complex, the manager addressed all the new seniors, pointing out some of the rules: "The female sleeping quarters will be out-of-bounds for all males, and the male quarters to the females. Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20.00 the first time. Anybody caught breaking this rule the second time will be fined \$60.00. Being caught a third time will cost you a fine of \$180.00. Are there any questions?" An older gentleman stood up and inquired, "How much for a season pass?"

Finally: A man is married to a woman named "Lorraine". The man is cheating on Lorraine with a woman named "Clearly". Well, sadly, one day Lorraine dies, but the man wasn't upset. He leaves the funeral, gets in his car and starts to sing, "I Can See Clearly Now, Lorraine is gone."