

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

June 22: Dr. Laura Niederhofer, University of Minnesota Researcher
June 29: Kyle Skov, Owatonna Public Works Director
July 6: Induction of new officers and board members
July 13: Dr. Richard Huston, Pakistan Polio Plus
July 20: Julie Anderson, Exec. Dir., Steele County Transitional Housing
July 27: Richard Baumer, Polio Survivor
August 3: Brad Meier, Chamber of Commerce President
August 10: Open
August 17: Dr. Brian Bunkers, Mayo Health System update
August 24: Lois Nelson, Mayor of Medford
August 31: Open
September 7: No Meeting...Labor Day
September 14: United Way kickoff
September 21: Open
September 28: Visit from District Governor

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Monday, July 6, 2020

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: The Board of Directors have made the decision to continue meeting on Zoom for the foreseeable future. The induction of officers and board members for the new ROTARY year will take place today. John Connor will assume the gavel of the presidency. Glen Meger is the president-elect. Board members remain the same. Speaking today will be Nancy Ness, co-director of Community Happenings in Owatonna, which consists of the Steele County Clothesline and the Steele County Food Shelf. Nancy will also receive a \$2,000 check from our club. The money is a result of savings from not paying for lunches at the Country Club.

BIRTHDAYS: None this week

ROTARY NOTES

The new President of RI is Holger Knaack. Knaack writes; "Every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth. I revealed the theme of *ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES* at the International Assembly in San Diego just as the COVID-19 crisis was beginning, but these are words I have believed in for years. ROTARY is not just a club you join; it is an invitation to endless opportunities. We believe in creating opportunities for others and for ourselves. We believe that our acts of service, large and small, generate opportunities for people who need our help, and that ROTARY opens opportunities for us to live a richer, more meaningful life, with friends around the world, based on our core values."

The Owatonna High School Athletic Hall of Fame is looking for surviving members of the honored TEAMS OF DISTINCTION who will be inducted into the OHS Hall of Fame this September. Surviving family members should contact committee member Scott Seykora at 213-0913 or e-mail the Hall of Fame committee (ohsathletichof@gmail.com) with your contact information.

Teams to be recognized include 1950 Boys Track and Field, 1954 Boys Wrestling, 1974 Boys Baseball, 1976 Girls Track and Field and 1989 Boys Basketball.

Note from the foreign press: The Associated Press reported that an unnamed man in Vienna, Austria, was hit with a \$565 fine for "offending public decency" when he broke wind following an encounter with police. Authorities said that "of course no one is reported for accidentally 'letting one go', but after behaving "provocatively and uncooperatively," the man rose from a bench and let go a massive intestinal wind, apparently with full intent.

ROTARIAN Dr. Beth Gilthvedt has retired! Her last day was on June 30 after practicing optometry for 35 years in Owatonna. Dr. Beth came to Owatonna recruited by Dr. Muellerleile to practice in his office. Some years later she took over Dr. Schoen's practice when he retired.

Finally: Growing your own tomatoes is the best way to devote three months of your life to saving \$2.17.

Guys: I need your help. I'm in the middle of an argument with my wife and she just told me that I'm right. What the hell do I do next?

How am I doing? Well, I just wiped down the container of Lysol wipes with a Lysol wipe. So, I'm fine....everything's fine!

HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!