

Rotary O-Pinion

Imagine Rotary

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 5: Lindsay Thompson, Director, Young Life in Owatonna

June 12: Leslea Partridge, 2023 Marching Band Festival

June 19: Rick Bussler, Publisher, Blooming Prairie Times

June 26: Club Business

July 3: No Meeting

July 10: Michelle Redman, Director, Big Brothers/Big Sisters

July 17: Rick Heidle: Rotary LIFT program

July 24: Vanessa Jensen, Director, Junior Achievement

July 31: Scott Mohs: Riverfront Project

August 7: Scott Kozelka, 2023 Fair Preview

August 14: Kelly McIntee: Youth Oriented Leadership Organization

August 21: Jennifer Thiele, Director: Steele County History Center

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Monday, June 19, 2023

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Rick Bussler, owner and publisher of the Steele County Times newspaper.

BIRTHDAYS: Mike Herman, June 15

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

A quick update from the Commemorative Century Clock & Time Capsule Committee. “We are in the final days of submitting the District Grant Application after conversations with our District Grants Committee. We made a presentation to the whole committee on June 16. Project fund allocation comes from the new year’s budget and key is our history of supporting the ROTRY FOUNDATION. Thank you for doing so! We will provide updated information at our June 26 business meeting

A MESSAGE FROM JENNIFER JONES, RI PRESIDENT

“All of us have “Imagined ROTARY this year. This means looking past what we are today and reaching for what we could be tomorrow. We imagine a ROTARY that will continue to tell our stories in impactful ways, work to reduce our carbon footprint, and focus on diversity, equity and inclusion efforts that life every voice in our organization and beyond.

Nick and I want to thank all of you for the moments we’ve shared and for your efforts to **Imagine ROTARY**. Now, we look forward to continuing these efforts as we **Create Hope in the World**. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve with each of you.”

ROTARIAN Mike Jensen reports he has obtained two host homes for our student from Finland. One more needed! – (approx.. 3 month commitment)

Here’s the family tree of Vincent Van Gogh:

- *His dizzy aunt: Verti Gogh
- *The brother who ate prunes: Gotta Gogh
- *The brother who worked at a convenience store: Stop N Gogh
- *The magician uncle: Where-diddy Gogh?
- *His Mexican cousin: A Mee Gogh
- *The Mexican cousin’s American half-brother: Gring Gogh
- *The nephew who drove a stage coach: Wells-far Gogh
- *The constipated uncle: Can’t Gogh
- *The ballroom dancing aunt: Tang Gogh
- *An aunt who taught positive thinking: Way-to-Gogh
- *The brother with low back pain: Lum Bay Gogh
- *And his niece who travels in an RV: Winnie Bay Gogh
- *I saw you smiling.....there ya Gogh!