

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 7: Missy Ahrens and Tim Truelson, Owatonna Parks and Recreation

June 14: Preview: Wenger Marching Band Festival: Leslie Partridge

June 21: Butterfly Project: Dr. Beth, Chad Lange, Jim Brunner

June 28: David Yorks: Discrepancies in the President Kennedy Assassination.

July 5: No meeting

July 12: Open/New officer installation

July 19: Open

July 26: Dr. Jason Wray-Raabolle: Mayo Health System, Owatonna

August 2: Open

August 9: Scott Kozelka: Preview of Steele County Free Fair

August 16: Jeff Williams, OHS Football Coach

August 23: Open

August 30: Open

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Monday, June 28, 2021

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to David Yorks of Lake Minnetonka. David's presentation comes as a result of his interest in the assassination of President Kennedy. His presentation relates to issues surrounding the assassination of Kennedy. The title of his talk is "The Warren Commission Report: Fact or Fiction" which focuses on the major discrepancies between the 1964 Warren Commission Report, which investigated the assassination for ten months, and the report from the U.S. House Representatives Select Committee on Assassination in 1979 which investigated the assassination for thirty-one months.

BIRTHDAYS: Maureen Schlobohm, June 28

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

Donors to the ROTARY FOUNDATION can now direct their gifts to support projects in the new area of focus, which is the Environment. Donations can be sent to Steve Arnold or at rotary.org/donate.

PDG Craig Leiser, former District Governor sends along a letter to all ROTARIANS:

"I had the significant honor to serve as your District Governor in 2010-'11. I introduced the District to concerns about the environment as evidenced by my District Conference with the theme, "A River Runs to It". Many of my following DG's furthered that commitment in creative ways, which has led to ROTARY INTERNATIONAL adding 'The Environment' as the 7th area of focus.

Now, for the personal status report. I have been diagnosed with Anemia, which is a terminal condition with an unknown time line. As I will be 85 in August, and married to my wife Nina for 58 years at the end of June, I feel I have lived a long and productive life, especially my commitment to and participation in ROTARY and District 5960. I have had the pleasure of working with many of you, on projects, in training and encouraging many of you to seek higher office. I feel that I may have made a positive difference where I participated.

I am confined to one of several rooms and service levels at Boutwells Landing in Oak Park Heights next to Stillwater. My overall health will not prove much as it is the anemia that controls the final outcome.

That said, I leave this message with this thought: Please give thought to making a blood contribution, individually or a club commitment. I have been told that transfusions, which I need, are in short supply in regional blood banks. They need contributions and I need transfusions to fight Anemia.

With that said, I thank each and all of you for your service to ROTARY as well as any direct support you may offer me."

A REMINDER THAT THERE WILL BE NO MEETING NEXT WEEK, JULY 5.

JULY 4

A \$20,000 fireworks display will be presented by the Early Edition ROTARY club this Sunday. Members of Young Life in Owatonna will be strolling around the fairgrounds requesting donations which will go toward next year's display. Our club has donated \$500 to next year's fireworks. Donations can be sent to the Chamber of Commerce. Checks can be labeled for fireworks fund.

So anyway: To those in North Dakota, Minnesota, and for that matter the rest of the country, including Canada. I must report the sad news that Ole was shot. He was up by the Canadian border on his 4-wheeler cutting some trees when rangers, looking for terrorists, spotted him. According to the news reports, the rangers shouted to him over a loud speaker, "Who are you and what are you doing?" Ole shouted back, "OLE...BIN LOGGIN!" Ole is survived by his wife, Lena.

HAVE A GOOD JULY 4TH WEEKEND