

# Rotary O-Pinion

## SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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

- May 2: Report from Camp RYLA students
- May 9: STRIVE Student Recognition
- May 16: National Honor Society Recognition
- May 23: ROTARY, 100 Years Strong! Lois Nelson, Kris Busse, Tom Partridge
- May 30: No meeting...Memorial Day
- June 6: Matt Durand and Karina Schmitz: Steele County Housing Coalition
- June 13: Leslea Partridge: Wenger Marching Band Festival
- June 20: Mark Blando, Director, Owatonna Public Library
- June 27: ROTARY, 100 Years Strong!
- July 4: No Meeting
- July 11: Kathy Huisman, Center for Family Unity
- July 18: Installation of new officers
- July 25: ROTARY...100 Years Strong!
- August 1: Jeff Elstad: Supt. of Public Schools
- August 8: Scott Kozelka, Preview of Steele County Free Fair
- August 15: School update: Jeff Elstad and Bob Olson
- August 22: Jason Bergman, Operation Bootstrap, Africa

## **OWATONNA ROTARY O'PINION**

Monday, June 6, 2022

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** We will hear from Matt Durand and Karina Schmitz of the Steele County Housing Coalition.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Angela Gonzales, June 4, Dave Allard, June 8, Kirby Knutson, June 11

### **NOTES FOR ROTARIANS**

ROTARIAN Mike Jensen reports that our in-bound student is a girl from Milan, Italy. Two more host families are needed at this time. If you can open your home for three months to this student, please get ahold of Mike.

The ROTARY INTERNATIONAL convention is going on now in Houston. This past Thursday, leaders of ROTARY ACTION GROUPS gathered for an open house to share experiences and search for collaborative opportunities.

### **AROUND TOWN FOR ROTARIANS**

You will soon be seeing work being done on the Central Park fountain. A contractor will sandblast, prime and paint the historic fountain. Work was done a year ago which included reinforcing the centerpiece, installing a handicap-accessible drinking fountain with a doggy drinker and painting. Shortly after the fresh paint was applied there was an issue with it not adhering to the surface as expected. The work being planned this month will correct this issue

June is Dairy Month. The Steele County American Dairy Association invites you to "Breakfast on the Farm" this Saturday, June 11. The location is the Schmitty Holsteins Farm. Your hosts will be the Jon and Kim Schmidt family. Cost for breakfast is \$5.00 per person. Kids under 5 eat free. All of the Steele County Dairy Princesses will be there to meet and greet you. Parking on the farm is limited except for handicapped. Free bus service will be offered from the fairgrounds to the farm from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Captain Jeff Mundale has been selected as the next Owatonna Police Chief to replace the retiring former ROTARIAN Keith Hiller. The transition will take place on June 30.

The long-time business Hat Chic will be closing its doors. Owner Tanya Henson said that after a very successful business over the last decade she has decided to put her family first. Her two boys are prominent football players in college and high school.

Did You Know? Donkeys kill more people annually than plane crashes or shark attacks.  
Did You Know? You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching TV.

### **JOKES FOR ROTARIANS**

A man was telling his neighbor, "I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me \$4,000, but it's state of the art. It's perfect!" "Really," answered the neighbor. "What kind is it?" "12:30"

Three old guys are out walking. First one says, "Windy, isn't it?" Second one says, "No, it's Thursday."  
Third one says, "So am I. Let's go get a beer!"

Finally, a little old man shuffled slowly into an ice cream parlor and pulled himself slowly, painfully, up onto a stool. After catching his breath, he ordered a banana split. The waitress asked kindly, "Crushed nuts?" "No", he replied, "Arthritis."

