

Rotary O-Pinion

ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD

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

March 2: Al Smith, “Women of War”

March 9: Joe Stiles, Furnishing Hope

March 16: State of the City: Mayor Tom Kuntz and Kris Busse

March 23: Owatonna Police Department

March 30: Lois Nelson, Mayor of Medford

April 6: Kyle Skov, City Engineer

April 13: Dr. Richard Huston, PolioPlus trip to Pakistan

April 20: STRIVE graduation

April 27: Dr. Brian Bunkers, Mayo Clinic Health System

May 4: Camp RYLA Students

May 11: Hosting OHS National Honor Society: Speaker: Joyce Madsen

May 18: Andi Arnold, Safe and Drug Free Coalition

May 25: No meeting...Memorial Day

June 1: Monique Hammond: Hearing Loss, the Silent Epidemic

June 8: Jeff Elstad: Superintendent of Schools: Update on building of new high school

June 15: Open

June 22: Dr. Laura Niederhofer, University of Minnesota Researcher

ROTARY OPINION

Monday, March 16, 2020

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Mayor Tom Kuntz and City Administrator Kris Busse will present the annual “State of the City” report.

BIRTHDAYS: None

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Julia Dallenbach, Elise Sande, Asia Burycka and Abigail Schroeder

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT: Reyk, Germany

ANDI ARNOLD HONORED BY BUSINESS WOMEN

Congratulations to ROTARIAN Andi Arnold who was honored as a Young Careerist award recipient recently by the Owatonna Business Women.

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

The Object of ROTARY is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise, and in particular, to encourage and foster:

First: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

Second: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each ROTARIAN’S occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

Third: The application of the ideal of service in each ROTARIAN’S personal, business and community life;

Fourth: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

WITH ST. PATRICK’S DAY TOMORROW, LET’S DONATE SOME EXTRA SPACE TO THE IRISH!

A drunken Irishman is driving through the city of Dublin on St. Patty’s Day and his car is weaving violently all over the road. An Irish cop pulls him over. “So”, says the cop to the driver, “Where have you been?” “I’ve been to the pub,” slurs the drunk. “Well,” says the cop, “it looks like you’ve had quite a few.” “I did all right,” the drunk says with a smile. “Did you know,” says the cop, standing straight and folding his arms, “that a few intersections back, your wife fell out of your car?” “Oh, thank heavens,” sighs the man. “I thought I’d gone deaf.”

The Irish never hesitate to come to the aid of their fellow man...air passengers in this case. Shortly after take-off on an out-bound evening Aer Lingus flight from Dublin to Boston, the lead flight attendant nervously made the following painful announcement in her lovely Irish brogue: “Ladies and gentlemen, I’m so very sorry, but it appears that there has been a terrible mix-up by our catering service. I don’t know how this happened, but we have 103 passengers on board and unfortunately we received only 40 dinner meals. I truly apologize for this mistake and inconvenience.”

When the muttering of the passengers had died down, she continued, “Anyone who is kind enough to give up their meal so that someone else can eat will receive free and unlimited drinks for the duration of our 10 hour flight” Her next announcement came about two hours later: “Ladies and gentlemen, if anyone is hungry, we still have 40 dinners available.”

Finally, what is Irish arthritis? You get “stiff” in a different joint every night! HAPPY ST. PADDY’S DAY!