

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

April 5: Roger Warehime, Manager, Owatonna Public Utilities

April 12: Brad Meier, President, Owatonna Chamber of Commerce

April 19: Rick Heidick: Fast for Hope

April 26: Jenna Tuma, New Owatonna Parks and Recreation Director

May 3: Dave Albrecht, Retired President, Owatonna Allina Hospital

May 10: Jen Swanson, Principal, St. Mary's School

May 17: Foundation Program

May 24: Mike Johnson, retiring Fire Chief

May 31: Memorial Day...no meeting

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.

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Monday, May 10, 2021

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: We will hear from Jen Swanson, Principal at St. Mary's School.

BIRTHDAYS: Lois Nelson, May 13, Mike Jensen, May 16

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Anna Herzog, Emma Anderson, Lily Sampson, Samuel Sampson, Abigail Moran

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

Keep in mind that we will be meeting in person at the Owatonna Country Club beginning June 7. Masks are required.

Find a club anywhere in the world! Get ROTARY'S free Locator App and find a meeting wherever you go. www.rotary.org/clublocator.

OUT OF THE SHADOWS: ROTARIANS are speaking openly about once-hidden issues and taking action to address them. The global pandemic has brought attention to another aspect of health that is often overlooked: mental health. In many places, depression, anxiety, and suicide are seen as things to be ashamed of and kept quiet. But ROTARY members are recognizing the gaps in understanding and resources and are stepping up to help. ROTARIANS working on this project are hopeful that more clubs will focus on improving mental health. Being a ROTARIAN confers a kind of legitimacy and authority on ROTARIANS in whatever they do. ROTARIANS thus become a moral force against the stigmatization of people with mental health issues.

Question: Anyone else getting a tan from the light in the fridge?

ARE YOU A 'ROTE'?

It's been said that "A man or woman who simply joins a ROTARY Club and attends its weekly programs is not a ROTARIAN....they are a ROTE. They simply learn but do not understand. Nowhere else does a man or woman mean more to business and their profession than in ROTARY. You cannot touch elbows with the leading professional men and women of your town without absorbing much that you can apply to your own vocation with splendid results.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

There is a new mutant strain appearing across most countries. I thought you would want to know about this virus. It appears to target those who were born prior to 1960. The sporadic lock down seems to be increasing the chances of being affected. Symptoms: 1. Causes you to send the same email twice. (Done that); 2. Causes you to send a blank email. (Done that too!); 3. Causes you to send an email to the wrong person. (Yup); 4. Causes you to send it back to the person who sent it to you. (That too); 5. Causes you to forget to attach the attachment. (Done that), 6. Causes you to hit SEND before you've finished. (On no, not again!); 7. Causes you to hit DELETE instead of send. (Hate that!); 8 Causes you to hit SEND when you should DELETE. (Heck, now what?).

A lot of us have already been inflicted with this disease and unfortunately as we age, it gets worse. And, if you can't admit to doing any of the above, you've obviously caught the other strain-the D-NILE virus. Doctors say a lot of naps and a daily dose of Dr. Jack Daniels liquid medicine might help!

HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!