

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

May 11: Police Chief Keith Hiller (on Zoom)

May 18: Andi Arnold, Safe and Drug Free Coalition (on Zoom)

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: Lois Nelson, Mayor of Medford

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

June 29: Ky Skov, Owatonna Public Works Director

July 6: Induction of new officers and board members

July 13: Dr. Richard Huston, Pakistan Polio Plus

July 20: Open

July 27: Open

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Monday, May 11, 2020

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK (BY ZOOM): Police Chief Keith Hiller

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

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Sam Fredin, Karington Stanford, Josie Sullivan and Wyatt Clausen

ROTARIAN NOTES

Due to the pandemic, the National Board of Directors of ROTARY has voted to cancel the nation convention scheduled for Hawaii. President Mark Daniel Maloney thanks the 2020 Honolulu Convention Committee, the Host Organization Committee, the 2020 Honolulu Convention Promotion Committee and ROTARY staff for planning what would have been one of the best ROTARY conventions yet.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

If you miss using the library which has been shut down, the library now offers curbside pickup on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Requests can be made online via the library catalog at selco.ent.sirsi.net/client/US/owat or by calling 444-2460 and leave a voicemail or speak to a staff member. Library staff will contact individuals when their requests are ready and schedule a pick-up time in increments of half-hours. You are asked to approach the library at the Broadway entrance during your appointed time slot and wait outside for a staff member to open the door, allowing one person in at a time. You are asked to wear a face mask during pickup.

*Just seen a burgler kicking in his own door. I asked him, "What are you doin'?" He said, "Workin' from home!"

*I was so bored I called Jake from State Farm just to talk to someone. He asked me what I was wearing.

*When this is over...what meeting do I attend first...Weight Watchers or AA?

WHAT'S BEHIND THE SHREDDING CANCELEATION

Besides the Covid 19 virus, there is another reason that the shredding event was canceled. The generous company that donated their time and truck for the purpose of the project has declined doing this. Other shredding companies are not willing to donate their truck and driver for the project and would charge us not only for use of the truck but for mileage from their headquarters to Owatonna. The amount charged would almost surpass any donations we collected for ROTARY projects such as the ROTARY RUN and the Parks and Recreation play area for handicapped.

CANCELLATIONS AND DELAYS

*The downtown Farmer's Market is now scheduled to begin on Saturday, June 6.

*The Master Gardener events including the plant sale have been canceled.

*The July 4 fireworks is still on. However, the grandstand may not be used. Viewers will have to watch the showe from their cars or lawn chairs with appropriate spacing.

*ROTARIAN Glen Meger said that the pre-fireworks music and picnic at his funeral home grounds will most likely be canceled this year.

*Veteran's Roundtables for May and June have been canceled.

*Steele County Safety Camp has been canceled.

So Anyway: a senior citizen was driving down the motorway when his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him. "Vernon, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on I-35. Please be careful!"

"Hell," said Vernon. "It's not just one car, it's hundreds of them!"

HAVE A GREAT ROTARY WEEK!