

# **ROTARY: BE THE INSPIRATION**

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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#### **PROGRAMS**

October 22: Meet the Candidates: Sheriff

October 29: Meet the Candidates: School Board/City Council

November 5: Presentation of Vern White Award

November 12: Iringo Exchange Student

November 19: Kerry Hjelmgren, Faribault/Owatonna Honoring Choices

November 26: Rotary Foundation Presentation plus report from Camp Enterprise students

December 3: Mike Becker, Dist. Gov./ Plus the OHS Christmas Carolers at noon

December 10: Judge Luening: Veteran's Court

December 17: Holiday cheer and songs: Jeff Elstad, Kim Schaufenbuel and Kim Cosens

December 24: No meeting December 31: No meeting

January 7: Maddy Lykken: "New Generation Exchange"

January 14: Laura Beasley, Dean of Nursing, Riverland College: New Medical Assistant program in Owatonna

January 21: Open

January 28: Mac Hamilton, Developer

February 4: Al Zdrazil: "Fight Against Human Trafficking

February 11: Open February 18: Open February 25: Open

March: All Mondays open April: All Monday's open

## ROTARY O'PINION

Editor: Todd Hale

Monday, November 19, 2018

**THIS WEEK:** Welcome to Kerry Hjelmgren, Director of Faribault/Owatonna Honoring Choices.

**<u>BIRTHDAYS:</u>** We belatedly honor those with birthdays in October and November that we did not acknowledge due to candidate forums and Vern White Award program:

October: Mark Randall, Oct. 4, Dennis VonRuden, Oct. 5, Michael Wells, Oct. 10, Mary Kay Feltes, Oct. 12, Dave Albrecht and Tanya Peley, Oct. 14, Pastor Dave Klawiter, Oct. 24, Mark Fritsch, Oct. 31.

<u>November:</u> John Connor, Nov. 4, Dave Ramsey and Brad Vettrus, Nov. 5, Kim Schaufenbuel, Nov. 6, Sabra Otteson, Nov. 9, Barry Gillespie, Nov. 10.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Dave Effertz, Nov. 14, Traci Schimek, Nov. 15.

**NOVEMBER STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Allison An, Michael Bangs, Nathan Buegler, Blaine "Zander" Johnson, Zach Barrett

#### **NOTES FOR ROTARIANS**

June 1-5, 2019, ROTARIANS from all over the world will converge in Hamburg, Germany to CAPTURE THE MOMENT at the 110<sup>th</sup> ROTARY INTERNATIONAL convention. Consider this a special invitation from RI President Barry Rassin to come to this event. Hamburg is a wonderful place to visit...to stroll the shores of the city's lake, take a boat trip on the Elbe River, dine out, hear great music and explore fascinating museums. It's also the ideal place to kick off a European vacation. Register at riconvention.org by December 15 for the best rate. Let this convention *Be the Inspiration* for your ROTARY journey.

LET ROTARY MAKE INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND GOOD WILL ITS MISSION AS AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

November 27 is known as "GIVING TUESDAY" on the ROTARY calendar. Remember a couple of opportunities for you to give to others: The ROTARY FOUNDATION and to the 'I CAN PLAY' playground fund.

#### **GOODIES FROM THE NEWS**

A Japanese jump rope hobbyist has set a new world best by recording 151,409 rope skips in a 24 hour period Hijiki Ikuyama, 36, topped the old mark by 373 skips by jumping rope on his own and skipping over a larger rope swung by two assistants.

Mark your calendars for 6:00 p.m. on November 29<sup>th</sup>. That's when the Owatonna parade of lights will come down Cedar Avenue winding up at Central Park where the OHS Carolers will sing and the Central Park lights will be turned on.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS OF MISERY IS ENOUGH! A man in Jacksonville calls his son in San Diego two days before Thanksgiving and says, "I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are splitting up. Forty Five years of misery is enough!" The son screams, "POP, WHAT ARE YOU TELLING ME?" "We can't stand the sight of each other any longer. We're sick of each other. Call your sister in Denver and tell her." Frantic, the son calls his sister who explodes on the phone. "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts. "I'll take care of this." She calls Jacksonville immediately and screams at her father, "You are NOT getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I am calling my brother back and we will both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing! DO YOU HEAR ME?!" and hangs up. The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife, "OK", he says. "It's all set. They're coming for Thanksgiving and paying their own way!"

HAVE A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING!