

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?

OFFICERS

GLEN MEGER President
BRAD VETTRUS Secretary
JOHN CONNOR Past President

ANN MILLER President Elect
STEVE ARNOLD Treasurer

FACEBOOK PAGE: www.facebook.com/RotaryClubofOwatonna

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

John Connor
Todd Hale
Mathew Hughes
Brad Vettrus

Jeff Hall
Dave Effertz
Steve Arnold

Dick Slieter
Ann Miller
Lois Nelson

Jim Brunner
Ryan Gillespie

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

October 25: ROTARY: 100 Years Strong Lois Nelson
November 1: Clare Lillis, Human Trafficking Co-Chair
November 8: Vern White Award
November 15; Rotary Foundation
November 22: Scott Pierce, advisor, DECA at OHS.
November 29: ROTARY: 100 Years Strong! Lois Nelson, Dick Slieter
December 6: The Moving of Jerry's Mural: Kellen Henrichson, Director, History Center
December 13: Robert Sikel: Open Arms Suicide Prevention
December 20: Christmas musical: Dave Williams/Kim Cosens
December 27: ROTARY: 100 Years Strong!
January 3: Ed Hoffman, Fire Chief

OWATONNA ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, November 22, 2021

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Connor Ginsky, Preston Meier and Cael Bowling of the high school DECCA Chapter

BIRTHDAYS: None

NOVEMBER STUDENTS: Aiden Packard, Aaron Kess, Reid Stauffer, Olivia Shaw

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

A quote from RI National President Shekhar Mehta: "As the charitable arm of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, the ROTARY FOUNDATION is the engine that powers so many ROTARY projects throughout the world. The Foundation transforms your gifts into projects that change lives. It is the Foundation that helps us get closer to our goal of eradicating polio, to show more people how we promote peace through tangible actions, and to demonstrate the impact our projects have in our areas of focus. I like comparing the ROTARY FOUNDATION to the Tajh Mahal, a monument of one man's love for a woman. The FOUNDATION is a dynamic monument of our love for all humanity."

Owatonna's parade of lights

The annual Downtown Parade of Lights will be held on Thursday, December 2, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Plans are to hold the parade on the new Cedar Avenue if completed. Contractors have indicated that paving will be done on the 200 and 300 blocks of Cedar. Julie Seykora of the Chamber of Commerce says there is an alternate route planned if the paving is not ready.

The parade will end at Central Park where Santa and Mrs. Clause will hand out candy canes. The OHS Christmas Carolers will open their season and the lighted trees in the park will be turned on by Tom Brick, whose business (Owatonna Shoe) has been located on Cedar Ave. for 75 years.

Condolences

Our condolences to long-time ROTARIAN Charlie Herrmann on the death of his wife Emily.

Did you know?

It was accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and, because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.

Diversity strengthens our clubs

Diversity Strengthens Our Clubs! New members from different groups in our communities bring fresh perspectives and ideas to our clubs and expand ROTARY'S presence. Invite prospective members from all backgrounds to experience ROTARY.

Paul Harris Fellows

The following ROTARIANS were presented with Paul Harris Fellowships (most a number of times) at last week's meeting: Lonna Lysne (7), Ray Stauers (7), Kim Cosens (7), Lois Nelson (5) Andy Michaelitz (2) and Ryan Gillespie (1).

So anyway

On the first day at the new senior's complex, the manager addressed all the new seniors pointing out some of the rules: "The female sleeping quarters will be out-of-bounds for all males, and the male quarters to the females. Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20.00 the first time. Anybody caught breaking this rule the second time will be fined \$60.00. Being caught a third time will cost you a fine of \$180.00. Are there any questions?" An older gentleman stood up and said, "How much for a season pass"?

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!