

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?

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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

September 13: Tim Penny, former Congressman and Pres. of Southern Minn. Initiative Fund

September 20: United Way Kickoff: Annette Duncan

September 27: Karen Pehrson, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director

October 4: Steele County Works Program: Brad Meier and Anisha Zak, Coordinator

October 11: Jeff Elstad, Supt. of Public Schools

October 18: Larry Kriesel, coach, OHS Fishing Team

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

December 27: ROTARY: 100 Years Strong!

OWATONNA ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, October 25, 2021

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: A first look at the observance of our club's 100th birthday with Lois Nelson and Jeff Hall.

BIRTHDAYS: Dave Klawiter, Oct. 24, Doug Voss, Oct. 26

OCTOBER STUDENTS: Last day for Emma Wolff, Evan Parker, Kayla Klinkenberg and Scott Weckman.

ROTARY NEWS NOTES

Yesterday was World Polio Day on the ROTARY calendar. Take Action, Eradicate a Disease Forever! This is a note from ROTARY magazine from Diane Schoberg, Senior Staff Writer: "I've covered ROTARY'S work to end polio for 13 years, but I've never participated in a National Immunization Day, and it's my great hope that I will one day cross that off my must-do list. My greater hope? That I never get a chance to participate in a National Immunization Day, because that will mean that ROTARY and its partners have succeeded in ensuring that no child ever again is affected by polio."

ROTARIAN Dick Slieter will reveal today this year's recipient of the Vern White award. November 8 is the Vern White Award luncheon.

I recently did some financial planning and it looks like I can retire at 62 and live comfortably for 11 minutes!

TOGETHER, WE INSPIRE

ROTARY believes in taking action to create positive change in communities. That's why ROTARY members participate in thousands of events around the globe to raise funds to help eradicate polio and support other causes. Inspiring others and leading by example...that's what people of action do!

Here's a beautiful poem about growing old...damn, I forgot what it was!

Public Health Nursing is another outlet for COVID and flu vaccines. No appointment needed. Vaccines issued on Wednesdays from 10:30-4:30 at 635 Florence Ave. Drive-through is available.

Mentors for STRIVE

Names are being taken from those interested in acting as a Mentor at the high school in the STRIVE program. If you are interested, let President Glen know.

CAMP RYLA CANCELED

COVID continues to force cancelation of many activities. ROTARY'S Camp RYLA will not be held again this year. Camp Enterprise was also canceled again this year.

So anyway: A man owned a small farm. The Internal Revenue Service determined he was not paying proper wages to his staff and sent an investigator out to interview him.

"I need a list of your employees and how much you pay them," demanded the investigator. "Well", replied the farmer, "there's my farm hand who's been with me for three years. I pay him \$200 a week plus free room and board. The cook has been here for 18 months and I pay her \$150 per week plus free room and board."

"Then there's the halfwit. He works about 18 hours a day and does about 90% of all the work around here. He makes about \$10.00 a week. He pays his own room and board and I buy him a bottle of whiskey twice a week. He also sleeps with my wife occasionally." "That's the guy I want to talk to...the halfwit!" said the agent. "That would be me," replied the farmer.