

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, Brian Coleman and Megan Horton, Coordinator

October 11: Jeff Elstad, Supt. of Public Schools

October 18: Larry Kriesel, coach, OHS Fishing Team

October 25: Preview: Our club 100th Anniversary: 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: Open

December 6: Kellen Hinrichsen: The Moving of Jerry's Mural To History Center

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Monday, October 4, 2021

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Today we will learn about the Steele County Works Program. Speakers will be ROTARIAN Brad Meier, Brian Coleman and coordinator Megan Horton.

BIRTHDAYS: Tom Worhach, Oct. 3, Dennis VonRuden, Oct. 5

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Welcome to Scott Weckman, Kayla Klinkenberg, Evan Parker and Emma Wolff.

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

THE ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT:

As a ROTARIAN, I will

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
3. Use my professional skills through ROTARY to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world.
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on ROTARY or other ROTARIANS.
5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in ROTARY meetings, events and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

DOWNTOWN REPORT

The City of Owatonna has agreed to delay the beginning of the third phase of the streetscape project on the 100 block of North Cedar. City Engineer Kyle Skov said staff wanted a delay in construction after hearing numerous concerns from business owners on that block. The holiday shopping season was especially of concern from business owners. As Tanya Henson, who owns the Hat Chic Clothing Co. says, "The Christmas season doesn't begin on December 1...in retail it begins in September."

ROTARIAN LAURA RESLER TO RETIRE THIS WEEK

ROTARIAN Laura Resler will be retiring at the end of this week after serving seven years as the Executive Director of the Owatonna Foundation. Prior to coming to the Foundation, Laura was Director of the History Center. Taking over her duties will be Angela Gonzales. Laura has enjoyed her membership in ROTARY and we hope she will continue her membership. We wish her well in her retirement.

DISCOVER NEW HORIZONS AT THE 2022 RI CONVENTION, JUNE 4-8 IN HOUSTON, TEXAS. REGISTER AND PAY IN FULL TODAY AT CONVENTION.ROTARY.ORG FOR A SPECIAL RATE OF \$475.00.

THANKS TO ROTARIAN KIM COSENS FOR PROVIDING PIANO MUSIC AT OUR MEETINGS.

Hospital regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. A nurse found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need any help leaving the hospital. After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let the nurse wheel him to the elevator. On the way down, the nurse asked him if his wife was meeting him. "I don't know," he said, "She's still upstairs changing out of her hospital gown!"

Morris, an 82-year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical. A few days later, the doc saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm. A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, "You're really doing great, aren't you?" Morris replied, "Just doing what you said, Doc: 'Get a hot mamma and be cheerful. The doc. said, "I didn't say that. I said, 'You've got a heart murmur; be careful.'