

# Rotary O-Pinion

## UNITE FOR GOOD

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 ROTARY CLUB OF OWATONNA IS THE GO TO AND BELONG TO CLUB FOR CONNECTING PROFESSIONALS, EMBODYING SERVICE AND UPLIFTING YOUTH.**

### PROGRAMS

Mar 2: Amber Aaseth, Public Health Nurse

Mar. 9: Anisha Zak, Junior Achievement

March 16: Dan Jacott, Manager, Owatonna Country Club

March 23: **Off site tour**...Lakeside Foods

March 30: Business plus Patricia McLeese, Greater Rochester Rotary "Unite for Good"

April 6: Jenna Tuma, City Administrator "State of the City"

April 13: Lon Thiele, Steele County Sheriff

April 20: Andrea, In-Bound Exchange Student

April 27: Ed Boeve, Past District Governor

## ROTARY O'PINION

Monday, March 9, 2026

Editor: Todd Hale

**THIS WEEK:** Welcome to Anisha Zak, of Owatonna Junior Achievement

**BIRTHDAYS:** None

**STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Grace Lu and Alexandra McGuire

**INBOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT:** Andrea, Italy

### **NOTES FOR ROTARIANS**

You are invited! The District ROTARY FOUNDATION, our club and the Early Edition Club are hosting a **Tap Room Tour** on Thursday, March 19 at Mineral Springs Brewery from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Our clubs are providing pizza and the District the first beverage. Try the new Hale Ale! Special Prize Drawings. Bring a guest or a prospective member.

Special **THANK YOU** to Simple Move for helping to transport our Piano from the Country Club to United Way.

Remember: LOVE in ROTARY means action. The action of donating to the ROTARY FOUNDATION! Annual Fund SHARE results in healthier babies, better learning and living environments. Donations to the FOUNDATION can be given directly to Dick Slieter.

From RI President Franscesco: "ROTARY has always believed change begins within communities. Now, we are working to see how far the impact of community action can travel. When local service is connected, measured, and shared, it becomes a force that extends beyond geography and borders.

Did you know? New ROTARY Fellowships focused on agriculture and farming, hypnosis and healing, and sub-Saharan culture were recognized this past fall.

Did you know? Mike McGovern, longtime chair of the RI PolioPlus Committee became chair of the Global Polio Eradication initiative's Polio Oversight Board in January.

Interested in becoming a Ham Radio Operator? The Owatonna-Steeled County Amateur Radio is sponsoring a class for those interested in obtaining entry level, No-Code Technician Class, operating license. There will be eight class sessions, about two hours each. Classes will be held from 6:00-8:00 pm March 24, 26, 31, Apr. 2, 7, 9, 14 with the license exam Apr. 16. Classes will be held at the Owatonna Fire Department. Contact: OscarHamRadio@gmail.com.

So Anyway: I burn about 2000 calories every time I put on fitted sheets by myself.  
I've been watching my weight. Yep, it's still there!