

Rotary O-Pinion

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

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

March 3: Kris Busse: State of the City

March 10: Edna Ringhofer, Healthy Seniors

March 17: Tim Penny, S.E. Minnesota Initiative Fund

March 24: Tim Murray, Bravo Zulu House, Winnebago

March 31: Business Meeting

April 7: Kat Linaker, President, Riverland College

April 14: Tim Walsh, Executive Director of Beauterre (located in former Gainey Center).

April 21: Exchange Student Lea from Belgium

April 28: Business Meeting

May 5: Police Chief Jeff Mundale and Command Staff

May 12: Camp RYLA student

May 19: OHS National Honor Society

May 26: No Meeting...Memorial Day

June 2: Emily Whillock: Steele County Crisis Resource Center: Sexual Assault Pgm. Coordinator

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Monday, March 10, 2025

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: ROTARIAN Edna Ringhofer of the Healthy Seniors Program

BIRTHDAYS: None

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Averí Vetsch, Anna Mollenhauer, Theresa Wunderlich, Alia Kubicek

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT: Lea from Belgium

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS:

FROM RI PRESIDENT, STEPHANIE A. URCHICK: “Partnerships remind us that ROTARY’S impact is amplified when we work together. Through our strategic alliance with the United Nations Environment Programme, we’re advancing the Community Action for Fresh Water Initiative. This program equips ROTARY members with the tools and resources to protect, restore and sustain freshwater ecosystems.

“The “Magic of ROTARY shines brightest when we work in harmony with others to create lasting good. Together, we can turn dreams into realities that transforms lives and communities. The result may feel like magic at times, but we know it’s from the power of our collective commitment and compassion. Let’s harness this magic to make a difference this month and beyond.”

*Note that the next available program dates are June 16 and 23rd.

*A \$1,000 scholarship is being given in partnership by North Risk Partners and the Owatonna Chamber of Commerce and Tourism. The scholarship is in memory of former ROTARIAN Ted Ringhofer who died of cancer in 1997. Ted was president of the Owatonna Chamber of Commerce for over 29 years and on the City Council for 24 years. Recipients must be a graduating senior at OHS and must be planning to attend a two or four year college. Applications are available at the OHS Career Center.

So anyway: Stevie Wonder meets Tiger Woods and mentions that he too is a golfer. “When I tee off,” the blind musician explains, “I have a guy call me from the green. My sharp sense of hearing lets me aim.” Tiger’s skeptical, but when Stevie suggests they play a round for \$100,000, Tiger readily accepts, figuring its the easiest 100 grand he’ll ever make. “So, when do you want to play?” Tiger asks. Stevie says, “Pick any night!”

Remember? Blackjack chewing gum, Wax coke-shaped little bottles with colored sugar water, TV test patterns, candy cigarettes, home milk delivery in glass bottles.