

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

April 27: Ed Boeve, Past District Governor
May 4: Alan Anderson, former OHS grad: "Climate Change"
May 11: Taylor Havelka, Camp RYLA report
May 18: OHS National Honor Society as guests
May 25: No meeting...Memorial Day
June 1: Open
June 8: Dan Jacott, Manager, Owatonna Country Club
June 15: Leslea Partridge: 2026 Wenger Marching Band Festival
June 22: Kat Linaker, President, Riverland College
June 29: Business

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Monday, May 4, 2026

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: OHS grad Alan Anderson will be our guest. He has studied the atmosphere and what causes our severe weather. He will also give us a look at what to expect in the future.

BIRTHDAYS: Dale Gandrud, April 28

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Auriana Meier, Keagon Springborg and Mikal Weldesrel

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT: Andrea, Italy

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

*We learned last week that our Exchange In-Bound student. A female will be from Italy.

*Andrea will be leaving for home at the end of July

*Our club is seeking three host families to host our in-bound student next year from Italy. She is a bright, curious 16-year-old who loves languages, travel and learning about the world. She enjoys music, reading and spending time with friends and family, and she's excited to immerse herself in American life. Her parents describe her as empathetic, responsible and adaptable...someone who values connection and is eager to become part of a host family's everyday life.

Host families do not have to be ROTARIANS. If you know of a non-Rotary friend who would be interested in hosting a student, let us know. Almost anyone can host including families with kids, no kids, empty nesters, single parents or couples and first-time hosts.

Each family hosts for about 3-5 months: Fall (Aug-Nov), Winter (Nov-Mar) and spring (Mar-June)

Host families are not doing this alone. Support will come from a local ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE OFFICER, a dedicated ROTARY counselor for the student and a regional host family support team. OPEN YOUR HOME, OPEN THE WORLD!

If you are interested in becoming a host family or know of someone that would be, notify ROTARIAN Mike Jensen at e-mail mjensen@trimgraphics.com or call his cell at 507-456-1445.

GUFFAWS

*A friend suggested putting horse manure on my strawberries. Never doing that again...going back to whipped cream!

*I just read a book on marriage that says treat your wife like you treated her on your first date. So, after dinner tonight I'm dropping her off at her parents house.

*Parenting tip: When you lose your children in the house , turn off the Wi-Fi. They'll come out immediately! Your neighbors might drop by as well!

*My idea of a super bowl is a toilet that cleans itself!