

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

July 7: No meeting

July 14: Glenda Smith, Model T Event (Meeting in Cabana)

July 21: Anne Peterson "History Hags Lite"

July 28: Business Meeting: Classification Talk by Jeff Hall

August 4: Steele County Fair preview: Scott Kozelka

August 11: Update on Owatonna: Troy Klecker, Community Development Director

August 18: Liane Peterson, President, Steele Humane Society

August 25: Business Meeting

September 1: No meeting...Labor Day

September 8: Michael Schwertfeger: Prairie Cottages

September 15: Dr. Tammy Champa, Supt. Of Public Schools

September 22: Ann Miller: Trip to Egypt

September 29: Business Meeting

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Monday, July 21, 2025

Editor: Todd Hale

THIS WEEK: Welcome to Anne Peterson with her topic "History Hags Lite"

BIRTHDAYS: Ray Stawarz, July 23

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

Franesco Arezzo, a member of the ROTARY CLUB of Ragusa, Italy is the new president of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL. He took office July 1. The Board selected Arezzo in a special session following the unexpected resignation of RI President-elect Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo. Arezzo was chosen from a pool of candidates who were considered by the Nominating Committee for President of RI in August, 2023.

Arezzo is an orthodontist in private practice. He is active internationally as a member of the Italian, European and American orthodontics associations. He has been a ROTARY member for 30 years, and is a major donor and a Benefactor of the ROTARY Foundation.

We are still looking for a host family for the first three months that our In-Bound student will stay with. If you know of someone that would be suitable, please let Mike Jensen know. Our student from Italy will be arriving shortly before he fair.

A public retirement open house for ROTARIAN Kris Busse is scheduled for Wednesday, August 6, at the Owatonna Arts Center from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

FAIR NOTES:

*The fair has gone digital for the exhibitor guides. No more printed premium books that have been put out for the fair for decades. You can find all department guides and forms online at scff.org/exhibitors-guide. If you would like paper copies of a department, please visit the fair office.

*Mega Ride tickets for this year's fair are now on sale at Hy-Vee. Cost is \$60.00 and entitle the wearer of the wristband to unlimited rides on the Gold Star Midway the entire week of the fair. Deadline for purchase is 5:00 p.m. on the first day of the fair.

So anyway

You know you're a redneck when you take your dog for a walk and use the same tree.

The Salvation Army declines your furniture.

You have a complete set of salad bowls and they all say "Cool Whip" on the side.