

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

October 6: District Gov. Glenn Bowers

October 13: Nancy Vaillencourt "Hooded History"

October 20: Serenity Knott: Community Engagement Specialist, Big Bro/Big Sis

October 27: Business Meeting

November 3: Steele County United Way: Annette Duncan

November 10: Ryan Gillespie: Exchange Club Center for Family Unity

November 17: Gospel Kordah: Workforce Coordinator, Steele County

November 24: Business Meeting

December 1: Paul Harris/Vern White award lunch

December 8: Open

December 15: Open

December 22: Open

December 29: Business Meeting

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Monday, October 13, 2025

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THIS WEEK: Guest will be Nancy Vaillencourt with "Hooded History" in Steele County, the story of the Klu Klux Klan.

BIRTHDAYS: Trenton Gahm, Oct. 17

STUDENT ROTARIANS: Eliseu Seguro, Logan Halverson, Blake Ferris, Will Halverson

IN-BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT: Andrea from Italy

NOTES FOR ROTARIANS

From RI President Francesco Arezzo: "Leadership is not always about being visible. Sometimes it means listening, working collaboratively, and amplifying the voices of others. That approach lies at the heart of ROTARY'S philosophy and our lasting impact on economic development. Let us lead with good intention and provide support with heart. By nurturing local leadership, we can create opportunities that ripple through communities, empowering individuals, families and societies.

Together we can support economies that work for everyone and enact community development projects that last".

*Did you know? The ROTARY FOUNDATION approved 1,424 global grants, 468 District Grants, 74 disaster response grants and a Programs of Scale grant.

*Did you know? This month marks 100 years of ROTARY in Austria, and the Czech Republic, where the first clubs were chartered in Vienna and Prague, respectively.

*If you missed the School Superintendent's presentation on the tax levy that will be voted on, there is a session this Wed., Oct. 15 in the Superintendent's office at noon, 333 E. School.

So Anyway: It was a sunny morning on the first hole of a busy golf course, and the man was beginning his pre-shot routine, visualizing his upcoming shot when a piercing voice came over the clubhouse loudspeaker. "Would the gentleman on the women's tee back up to the men's tee, please?" He was still deep into his routine, seemingly impervious to the interruption. Again, the announcement, "Would the man on the woman's tee kindly back up to the men's tee." He simply ignored the announcement and kept concentrating, when once more the man said, "Would the man on the woman's tee back up to the men's tee please." He finally stopped, turned, cupped his hands and shouted back, "Would the jerk with the microphone please be quiet and let me play my second shot!"