



# The Paddlewheel

## Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary  
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The Moorhead Rotary board of directors meets the second Tuesday of each month.

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**Other F-M Rotary Clubs**  
 Monday: FM/PM Rotary  
 5:30 p.m., Lucky 13 Pub  
 Monday: Fargo West Rotary  
 Noon, Holiday Inn  
 Wednesday: Fargo Rotary  
 Noon, Radisson  
 Thursday: FM/AM Rotary  
 7 a.m., Ramada Plaza

If you attend meetings of any of these clubs, just check in. We have a reciprocal agreement.

Moorhead Rotary  
P.O. Box 72  
Moorhead, MN 56561



**This week's meeting:** We'll meet at the YWCA at 11:45 Tuesday for a box lunch and tour of the facility. Dale Hetland is Rotarian of the Day. The YWCA is at 3000 South University Drive in Fargo.

### Founder of Guatemala City charity tells Rotarians about CCCG's work

President Lynne Kovash greeted members with her own salute to the start of professional baseball. With a nod to the national pastime, she said she would serve as the opening pitcher. Then President-Elect Corey Elmer would serve as the closer so she could leave the meeting early for a business commitment.

### Announcements

Dale Hetland reminded members that we're meeting at the YWCA Emergency Shelter on Tuesday, April 11, at 11:45 a.m. for a tour and program. Box lunches will be served. Please RSVP to Dale at [daleh@starionbank.com](mailto:daleh@starionbank.com)

Also, please reserve time for the club Visioning Session May 2 in the Board Room of

The Board of Directors has received two membership applications — Gary Gonser, sponsored by Russ Hanson; and Emily Gess, sponsored by Bill Craft. Gary is a Realtor serving Fargo-Moorhead clients. Emily is an accountant in Concordia's business office. They will be welcomed into membership after the seven days allowed for comments.

Photos/Russ Hanson: President-elect Corey Elmer and Gina Monson. Alma Cater and Violet Deilke announce the second-to-last travel raffle winners of the year. Rotarians of the Day Tom Riley and Troy Nellis introduce Byron Alvarez (right) of Centro Cristiano Cultural de Guatemala in Guatemala City. The group feeds children; builds schools, composting toilets and wells for clean water; and teaches classes in computer and



Probstfield Education Center from 5 to 9 p.m. A light dinner will be served. The evening sessions takes the place of our regular Tuesday meeting.

### Travel raffle members unveil prize winners

Chair Violet Deilke and Alma Cater of the Travel Raffle committee revealed winners of the second-to-the-last monthly drawing of 2016-2017.

Corey Elmer's ticket-buyer Diane Woman won third prize, a \$100 gift certificate to Toscana in downtown Fargo. Second-place winner Lisa Benson purchased her ticket from coworker Greg Johnson; she receives \$200 in cash.

Neil Qualey sold the ticket that nabbed the top prize, a trip to Boston, to lucky Deke Krabbenhoft.

### Sergeant at Arms Troy Nellis finds common threads among many Rotary clubs

Troy Nellis reported that, after visiting many other Rotary clubs' websites, a common thread runs among them ... a focus on fun and



Photos: President Lynne Kovash. Erhard Hochörtler. Sergeant at Arms Troy Nellis. Members listen to Byron Alvarez.

**Guests April 4**

Erhard Hochörtler  
Byron Alvaraz, CCGG

**Visiting Rotarians**

Tom Riley, PDG, FM PM Rotary

**Reported Make-Ups**

Violet Deilke, Bill Woods, Ron Kolb &  
Russ Hanson, Sanford Health tour  
Violet Deilke, Detroit Lakes Visioning

**April Birthdays**

Woods, Bill April 30

**Wedding Anniversaries**

Wilkie, Eric & Rebekah Apr 14  
6 years  
Hanson, Russ & Nancy Apr 19  
42 years

**Rotary Anniversaries**

Sederquist, David 25 years  
Apr 01 1992  
Fangsrud, Sharon 3 years  
Apr 09 2014  
Stenerson, Dale 4 years  
Apr 09 2013  
Johnson, Gregory 5 years  
Apr 10 2012  
Matthees, Charles 24 years  
Apr 13 1993  
Ackerman, Stacey 15 years  
Apr 16 2002  
Hetland, Dale 15 years  
Apr 16 2002

friendship, networking and service.

He also noted that every single day of the year seems to be an excuse to celebrate something. April 4 is, among other things, National Rat Day. He added, "So let me be the very first to wish you a happy Rat Day."

Many days reflect five or six separate holidays. Tuesday was also National Cordon Bleu Day, National Vitamin C Day, and National DARE Day. Saturday, April 8, was National Draw a Bird Day and National Zoo Lovers Day. Thursday is National Tell a Lie Day.

The sergeant at arms opened the floor for Happy Dollars. Gary Nolte and others saluted another outstanding year for the MHS speech team, which is sending 14 to nationals. Mike Hullet was welcomed back for the season from Oro Valley, AZ. Teresa Joppa donated \$5 to end her time as club secretary; she asked Rotarians to please check off their names when checking in for each meeting.

Vi Deilke had happy dollars for recently attending the Detroit Lakes AM Club's visioning session. Corey Elmer's dollars

saluted Russ Hanson bringing in our sixth new member of the year.

**Centro Christiano founder's son reports on its work among poor Guatemalans**

Sharing the podium as Rotarians of the Day, Tom Riley and Troy Nellis introduced our guest Byron Alvarez of Guatemala City's Centro Christiano Cultural de Guatemala. The church was founded 35 years ago by his father David Alvarez. Today its feeding program reaches 1,500 children in many remote mountain and coastal villages that are often overlooked by the government.

School days start at 7 a.m. with breakfast. Because of their persistent parasite infections, children are taught how shoes and clean water offer prevention. Poverty is widespread; families of 9 to 14 people may subsist on \$1 a day.

Rotarians provide the funding for 60 percent of CCGG's programs — not just feeding the children, but building schools and composting toilets; digging wells for clean water; install solar panels; and teach computer and English classes. A gift of \$30 supports one child for a full month.

**Looking Ahead**

**Tuesday, April 11 — Meet at YWCA Shelter**

Sergeant at Arms .....Eric Johnson  
Rotarian of the Day .....Dale Hetland  
Tour & program .....3000 S University Dr, Fargo  
(Box lunch will be served.)

**Tuesday, April 18**

Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist  
Rotarian of the Day .....Randy Farwell  
Program.....Heather Johnson, Better Business  
Bureau of Minnesota & North Dakota  
Greeters: .....Violet Deilke & John Shockley

**Tuesday, April 25 — social at Billiards**

Rotary social at Billiards in downtown Moorhead,  
4:30-7:30 — tacos, billiards and BS

**April 27-29 — District 5580 Conference**

.....Fortune Bay Resort & Casino, Tower, MN  
.....More information: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50019>

**Tuesday, May 2 — Visioning Session (membership meeting) 5-9 p.m.**

**Required attendance**  
.....Session conducted by Cheryl Knudson  
.....Probstfield Education Center  
.....Light buffet meal will be served.

**Tuesday, May 9**

Rotarian of the Day .....Eric Wilkie  
Program .....TBA  
Greeters: ....Brad Donabauer & Dale Stenerson