



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary
Chartered May 1, 1921
Club 970
District 5580

- President Eric Wilkie
- President-elect Lynne Kovash
- Secretary Teresa Joppa
- Treasurer Doreen Filler
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- President-nominee Mark Bertilrud
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- Director Dave Wahlberg
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- Director Mark Bertilrud
- Director David Sederquist
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- Program Coord. Corey Elmer
- RYLA Coord. Randy Farwell
- Polio Plus Coord. Cindy Nolte
- Sergeant at Arms Team
Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson,
Mike Hulett & Jean Hannig
- Pianist Sharon Fangsrud
- Song Leaders Bill Schwandt,
Bob Hanna, John Andreasen
- Photographer Russ Hanson
- Meeting Reporter Teresa Joppa
- Paddlewheel Editor
Nancy Edmonds Hanson

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

- International President
K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran,
Colombo, Sri Lanka
- District 5580 Governor
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- Assistant District Governor
Kay Parries, Moorhead
- District Governor-Elect
Herb Schmidt, Fargo
- End Polio Now Zone 28 Coord,
Gary Nolte
- Rotary Endowment Committee
Cindy Nolte

- 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.

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This week: Our guest speaker today is University of Minnesota Regent Tom Anderson. Jon Benson is sergeant of arms, and Greg Johnson and Dave Tranby are our greeters.

Ackerman & Nolte recount adventures with Rotary teams in Guatemala

President Eric Wilkie welcomed guests including five Fargo Rotarians to Tuesday's meeting, inviting them to join us in a rendition of Yale's "Whiffenpoof Song" led by John Andreasen. He encouraged special emphasis on the "baa, baa baa" of the little lost lambs, noting that the previous Sunday was "Good Shepherd Day" in church.

Wrapping up the Rotary Miracle Field

Tom Thompson of FM AM Rotary announced that representatives of the five local Rotary clubs will present a check for the balance on the Miracle Field at the Moorhead Council meeting Monday. All Rotarians are invited to attend the presentation at 5:30 Monday.

Epic rummage sale is only days away

Members were urged once again to volunteer with our rummage fund raiser coming up Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30, at the Center Mall. More helpers are needed to pick up donations, set out the merchandise, conduct sales both days and break it all down on Saturday. The sale replaces the longstanding Taste of Moorhead event.



Photos: Sergeant at Arms Ron Hagemann. President Eric Wilkie. Dale Hetland. Greg Johnson & Josh Frost. Speakers Ally Pringle, Stacey Ackerman and Gary Nolte report on their Guatemala trip.

Meeting replaced with service on May 10

Our regular meeting on May 10 will be replaced by a service project at the Dorothy Day House. Members will be serving lunch at the facility, which provides housing for homeless men.

Moorhead Rotary Club Rummage Sale

Friday-Saturday, April 29-30 Moorhead Center Mall

Vast array of furniture, kids & adult clothing, household goods & all kinds of miscellany donated by 70 Rotarians!

Proceeds go to Rotary's support of youth projects in our community.

Friday 8-5
Saturday 8-2

Really Good Stuff!



Photos: Tammy Finney & David Wahlberg. Tom Thompson of FM AM Rotary. Singing Yale's "Whiffenpoof Song."

Guests, 04/19/16

- Stephanie Asheim, guest of Corey Elmer
- Wayne Christenson, guest of Jerry Rogers
- Ally Pringle, daughter of Stacey Ackerman, speaker
- Chris Andreasen, guest of John Andreasen
- Tangkwa Simasthien, FES

Visiting Rotarians

- Keith Brokke & Tom Thompson, FM AM Rotary
- Travis Christopher, Fargo Downtown
- Leann Wolff & Kevin Teigen, Fargo West

April Birthdays

- Leiseth, Robert Apr 29
- Woods, William Apr 30

Anniversaries

- Wilkie, Eric & Rebekah 5 years
Apr 14, 2011
- Hanson, Russ & Nancy 41 years
Apr 19, 1975

Club Anniversaries

- Sederquist, David 24 years
Apr 1, 1992

Teresa Joppa reminded members of another opportunity to serve — Rotary International's ShelterBox project. Temporary shelters and critical tools are being sent to Ecuador, which recently experienced a 7.8 magnitude earthquake. Donations may be made online.

Sergeant at Arms Ron addresses primaries

Ron Hagemann reminded us of the "yuge" primary election in New York that day. After teaching history and politics at the high school and college levels for 40 years — in Iowa — he shared insight into the process, as well as Rotary's rules about politics at club meetings. Since Rotary is nonpartisan, we do not endorse candidates. Some clubs host informational gatherings or debates; others make local officials honorary members; but most keep politics at arm's length. He predicted that historians will view this year's campaign season as an outlier. Ron closed with Abraham Lincoln's quote: "You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time."

Happy dollars were collected for the Rotary teams' Guatemala travels; having presidents of three of the five F-M clubs on hand today;

Therese Schaefer's successful surgery; and the Hansons' 41st anniversary today.

Clubs invest in Guatemala service

Rotarian of the Day Cindy Nolte introduced fellow members Gary Nolte and Stacey Ackerman, along with Stacey's daughter Ally Pringle. All three were part of one of the pair of Rotarian teams that traveled to Guatemala in January to complete two classrooms and bathrooms at a remote mountain school where children study until grade six.

The trip's cost of \$13,900 was supported by a Rotary World Community Service Grant, supplemented with local funds. District 5580 is the only one in the world to assess members to build its own fund for projects like this one. Keith Brokke noted that one or two more trips are planned next year to build a high school in partnership with Engineers without Borders at NDSU.

The teams slept in a convent, where they were serenaded by the nuns. Their party got lost not once, but twice, on the way to work — both by the same driver. In addition to their labor, the volunteers took in Fat Tuesday and Carnivale during their stay.

Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, April 26

Sergeant at ArmsJon Benson
ProgramTom Anderson, U of M Regent
Greeters.....Greg Johnson & Dave Tranby

Friday & Saturday, April 29 & 30

Rotary Rummage SaleCenter Mall

Tuesday, May 3

Sergeant at ArmsMike Hulett
Program.....Wayne Christianson, DDS:
American Dental Assoc. Missions of Mercy
GreetersDave Keller & Dave Wahlberg

Tuesday, May 10 — no regular noon meeting

Community service project at Dorothy Day House

Tuesday, May 17

Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist
Program
Greeters.....Ron Kolb & Sam Wai

Tuesday, May 24 — 4 p.m.

Tour of D-S Beverages Warehouse conducted by Doug Restemayer. Plans include sampling the products.