



# The Paddlewheel

## Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary  
Chartered May 1, 1921  
Club 970  
District 5580

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Program Coord.	Corey Elmer
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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
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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**  
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**This week:** Dave Hunstad, executive director of the Moorhead Business Association, speaks to the club this week. Sam Wai is up for sergeant at arms. Tammy Finney and Paul Suomala are greeters.

### Weather Service meteorologist discusses climate monitoring, change & weather

Past president Jon Benson reprised his role at the podium Tuesday, standing in for President Eric Wilkie. He confided, "Eric told me not to do too good a job so you'll all miss him." He welcomed guests and visiting Rotarians.

### Recruiting lots of rummage volunteers

Dave Sederquist, chair of the club's upcoming fund raiser, passed around sign-up sheets as he asked members to contribute their time as well as those "treasures" in the basement or garage to make our April 29-30 rummage sale a success.

Volunteers are needed, he says, to:

- Help advertise the sale via Facebook, Twitter and word of mouth
- Pick up larger donated items from members' homes and deliver them to Center Mall
- Assist with setting up for the sale
- Work during the sale (8 a.m.–5 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m.–2 p.m. Saturday)

Assist with take-down and clean-up Saturday afternoon



Photos/Tammy Finney: John Andreasen leads singing. Dave Sederquist whips up enthusiasm for the club's rummage sale fund raiser April 29-30. Past president Jon Benson presides. Rotarian of the Day George Davis. Speaker Greg Gust of the National Weather Service.

Another essential part of a successful sale, of course, is for members to collect clothing, furniture, home goods, electronics, toys, tools and whatever else they can donate. Dave stressed the importance of **pricing and marking your donations yourself!** At members' request, he and his committee have prepared a list of suggested prices that was emailed to the membership list. It is also available on Clubrunner.

### A rose is a rose is a fund raiser ....

Trent Gerads of FM AM Rotary invited Moorheaders to support the club's annual Rotary Rose Sale. Orders are being taken online through April 27 – perfect timing for Administrative Professionals Day delivery or pick up. To order: [rotaryrosesale.com](http://rotaryrosesale.com)



Photos: Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig

Secretary Teresa Joppa checks in members.

**Guests, 03/29/16**

Greg Gust, NWS, speaker  
Tom Riley, past district governor  
Tangkwa Apinya Simasthien, FES

**Visiting Rotarians**

Trent Gerads, FM AM Rotary

**Make-ups**

Jean Hannig & Tangkwa, Fargo West Rotary, 3/28  
Chuck Matthees, Rotary Ride committee

**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

**Happy about spring, and more**

Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig enumerated 10 good things about spring, from flowers to spring fever. She invited members to share some of that spirit with "happy dollars": for Tangkwa's presentation to Fargo West Rotary; Dale Hetland's return to good health; 9-year-olds who still believe in the Easter bunny (or not?); and buyers for the remaining stock of Guatemala fair trade coffee.

**Speaker Greg Gust predicts more worldwide research on coping with weather**

Rotarian of the Day George Davis introduced Greg Gust to talk about climate change and food security. Gust said he is happy, personally, for a mild and non-disastrous spring, in terms of floods, tornadoes and grass fires.

Greg is warning coordination meteorologist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Grand Forks, more widely known as the National Weather Service. In addition to collecting and sharing weather

information, he is also involved with the US Agency for International Development and Forest Service in training for weather disaster preparedness in Ethiopia.

Food security is strongly affected by climate, he noted. He is advising wheat growers in Kazakhstan on a \$2.2 million project to monitor and react to climate changes.

Greg talked about the extremes of weather; in any given year, he said, we may have an F3 tornado within 50 or 60 miles. He works with emergency managers, government and nonprofits on coping with the four stages of disaster: mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery.

He said the American system of free distribution of climate data stems from the need to provide information to aviation.

The Weather Service is currently recruiting observers for its Skywarn Spotter network. He also asked us to call **1-800-667-1218** to report tornados and funnel or wall clouds; hail greater than a half-inch; rainfall of 1 inc or more; and winds of 40+ mph.

**Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments**

**Tuesday, April 5**  
Sergeant at Arms.....Sam Wai  
Program .....Dave Hunstad, Moorhead Business Association  
Greeters.....Tammy Finney & Paul Suomala

**Tuesday, April 12**  
Sergeant at Arms .....John Andreasen  
Program .....Cindy Graffeo, director, Moorhead Economic Development Authority  
Greeters.....Paul Holtan & Bob Swenson

**Tuesday, April 19**  
Sergeant at Arms .....Ron Hagemann  
Program .....Mark Nesbit, Excel Energy  
Greeters .....Mike Hulett & Matt Thomasson

**Tuesday, April 26**  
Sergeant at Arms .....Jon Benson  
Program .....Tom Anderson, U of M Regent  
Greeters.....Greg Johnson & Dave Tranby

**Friday & Saturday, April 29 & 30**  
Rotary Rummage Sale .....Center Mall

**Tuesday, May 3**  
Sergeant at Arms .....Mike Hulett  
Program.....Wayne Christianson, DDS:  
American Dental Assoc. Missions of Mercy  
Greeters.....Greg Johnson & Dave Tranby

**Tuesday, May 10**  
Sergeant at Arms .....Eric Johnson  
Program .....  
Greeters.....Greg Johnson & Dave Tranby

**Tuesday, May 17**  
Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist  
Program.....Rotarian Stacey Ackerman,  
Rotary trip to Guatemala  
Greeters.....Greg Johnson & Dave Tranby