



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary
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Club 970
District 5580

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



International President Ron Burton, Norman OK
District 5580 Governor David Smette, Jamestown
District Governor-Elect Tim Kaminski, Hibbing
District Governor-Nominee Craig Loughery, Ely

Other F-M Rotary Clubs

Monday: Fargo West
Noon, Holiday Inn
1st & 3rd Tuesdays: FM/AM
5:15 p.m., Lucky 13 Pub
Wednesday: Fargo
Noon, Radisson
Thursday: FM/AM
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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Aug. 27 Rotary board members enumerate opportunities to get involved in club

“This is Rotary” was not only the song that opened Tuesday’s meeting ... it summed up the entire meeting. Members of the board of directors were called upon to introduce members to a wide variety of ways in which they can get involved with the club and make a difference.

President Warren Wenner summed up the message at the end of the presentations: “Rotary is not an ‘eating club.’ We are a service club.”

Saluting the season, Sergeant at Arms Gina Monson noted that college students have returned to the Moorhead community. She encouraged sharing “happy dollars” in nostalgic memory of our own days of going away to college, as well as several members who have sent children or grandchildren off to campus this week.

Update on the club’s five-year plan

Warren called on **Kay Parries** for an overview on our five-year plan, including the club’s accomplishments and disappointments. The plan will be revisited and revised this year.

One major goal that has been reached, she said, is that we are now giving dictionaries to every third-grade student in Clay County. “And we are keeping it going,” she noted.

Director Jon Benson, who focuses on vocational activities, hopes for more



Photos (from top left): Chuck Matthees. Sergeant at Arms Gina Monson. Kay Parries. Jon Benson. Gary Nolte. (Second row) Eric Johnson. Jill Baldwin.

classification talks this year, along with business tours for the club.

Director Gary Nolte, our foundation representative, discussed its contributions and activities. Polio Plus involves every club around the world, each asked to chip in \$2,000 per year toward our international goal of eradicating polio. Our annual Recital for a Cause raises funds dedicated to this mission.

Director Eric Johnson, whose area is international service, talked about our work with exchange students. Members are invited to help find host families and organize activities for our student guests.

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Guests

Jonathan Junge, FES, Germany,
(Guest of the club)
Jack Elmer (Guest of Corey Elmer)

Visiting Rotarians

Bill Slanger, Fargo Rotary Club

August Birthdays

Cater, Alma Aug 1
Lanning, Morris Aug 27

Wedding Anniversaries

Nolte, Gary & Cindy
44 years Aug 1, 1969
Baldwin, Jill & Jerry 44 years
Aug 2, 1969
Skatvold, Paul & Linda 40 years
Aug 03, 1973
Leiseth, Robert & Marilyn
56 years Aug 04, 1957
Moorhead, Tracey & Richard
49 years Aug 14, 1964
Beaton, Tim & Joan
2 years Aug 17, 2011
Myrvik, Donald & Rhoda
56 years Aug 17, 1957
Johnson, Eric & Kirsten
1 year Aug 21, 2012
Riewer, Jon & Kristine
17 years Aug 24, 1996
Schwandt, Bill & Cheryl
32 years Aug 29, 1981

Club Anniversaries

Skatvold, Paul 25 years
Aug 2, 1988
Hannig, Jean 17 years
Aug 6, 1996
Blackhurst, Anne 1 years
Aug 14, 2012
Nolte, Cindy 13 years
Aug 15, 2000
Fischer, Noah 1 year
Aug 28, 2012
Hutchins, Scott 30 years
Aug 30, 1983



(Left) Vern Goodin & Violet Deilke. Ron Kolb & Bill Slanger.

welcomes suggestions from members.

His biggest challenge, he said, is finding Rotarians of the Day to introduce speakers. Volunteer! He's also in constant search of assistant photographers and volunteers to take notes for the newsletter when Teresa Joppa cannot be here. (His photo is not among the directors in this *Paddlewheel* because he was hiding behind that camera.)

President urges, 'Get involved!'

President Warren Wenner encouraged members to simply attend Rotary's International Student Picnic Sept. 29 as a first step. "If you don't want to cook, just show up and visit," he urged.

Chuck Matthees reminded members of the upcoming Rotary Bike Ride Sept. 21 to raise money for our Rotary Miracle Field in Moorhead. For more information and to register, call chair Marc Vein, 701-212-5224, or go to www.FMMiracleField.org.

Warren requested that members show up at Miracle Field at 5:30 Wednesday, Sept. 4, for a brief promotional photo session.

Club service director Jill Baldwin focused on the Travel Give-Away coming up next month. She asked each member to sell just four raffle tickets, offering chances to win one of seven trips, seven fine-dining certificates and seven \$100 cash prizes.

She also hinted that Ron Kolb, who chairs our holiday party in December, could use help! Taste of Moorhead in the spring also is welcoming "new blood" this year.

Administrative director Russ Hanson described his role as "covering everything else." He told members he was "co-opted right away" when he joined — the reason he's stayed active and involved in Rotary, and how we can keep other members (old and new) feeling a real part of our group. He has planned more than 200 club programs and

Looking Forward ... to Upcoming Rotary Meetings

Sept. 3 Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett
RDO Russ Hanson
Program Mark Peihl, archivist, Historical & Cultural Society of Clay County
Greeters Hetland & Parries

Sept. 5 Rotary Webinar with District Governor-Elect Tim Kaminski
4–5 p.m. Go to <https://www.1.gotomeeting.com/register/298249897>

Sept. 10 Sergeant at Arms Eric Wilkie
RDO
Program Moorhead Rotarian Tim Beaton, director of F-M Area Foundation
Greeters Hintermeyer & Qualey

Sept. 17 Sergeant at Arms Jon Benson
RDO
Program Update on Sanford Moorhead Clinic with Dave Anderson, Jeff Hoss and Dr. Stephen Nelson
Greeters Holtan & Reimche

Sept. 24 Sergeant at Arms Teresa Joppa
Program Christopher Zimmerman, new conductor of FM Symphony
Greeters Hulett & Richards