



# 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 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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**Tuesday's program:** Clay County Historical Society archivist Mark Peihl will introduce the work of pioneer local photographers Flaten & Wange. John Andreasen and Bob Leiseth are greeters.

### Moorhead focuses on helping youngsters build basic skills in time for kindergarten

Interim president Cindy Nolte welcomed Rotarians into the warmth of the Hjemkomst Center on a snowy Tuesday. Song leader Vern Goodin, accompanied by Sharon Fangsrud, led the group in a slightly out-of-season song that was nevertheless in tune with the valentine sentiment, "Shine On Harvest Moon," along with the national anthem.

### Zone & district leaders change

Moorhead Rotarian Gary Nolte announced that he has been asked to become Rotary International's Polio Plus coordinator for Zone 28. His duties, which begin in July, including working with clubs in North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and parts of Nebraska, Illinois and Ontario. He and Cindy will be traveling extensively to meet with clubs across the zone.

Former district governor Jim Ozburn will head up District 5580 of Rotary for the remainder of the current term after the resignation of Tim Kaminsky of Hibbing.

### Sergeant at arms talks app & organization

Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist introduced smartphone-centric Rotarians to the free Rotary application. Among other content, it



Photos: (Center) Interim president Cindy Nolte. Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist. Speaker Joelle Hofer of Moorhead's Jumpstart Healthy Reader program. Gyda Anderson, RN, Clay County public health nurse. PHOTOS BY GARY NOLTE.

puts club dates and meeting locations at your fingertips. He also discussed the book *The Organized Mind* that's touted in the current issue of the *Rotarian* magazine. With the flood of information overloading people's senses today, the book helps readers find ways to process all of it.

Eric Wilkie led off the weekly collection of "happy dollars" with a reminder of Giving Hearts Day, the philanthropic occasion Thursday sponsored by the Dakota Medical Foundation. He asked members involved with charities and nonprofits to stand up and be identified ... and about half of those present arose.

Anne Blackhurst, who's been speaking at Lions, Kiwanis and other service clubs on behalf of MSUM, earmarked her happy dollars for our club — because, she assured us, we sing the best. Other donations honored Dale Stenerson's 80th birthday, which he celebrated by volunteering with the Kiwanis Pancake Feed; the Boy Scouts' winter camping trip; trips

## Guests, Feb. 10

Gyda Anderson & Joelle Hofer,  
speakers

## Visiting Rotarians

Margaret Schneider

## Make-Ups

Dale Stenerson, Kiwanis Pancake  
Feed volunteer  
Jean Hannig, CSRYE, Feb 7-8,  
Chicago

## February Birthdays

Suomala, Paul	Feb 01
Beaton, Tim	Feb 17
Elmer, Corey	Feb 23
Sederquist, David	Feb 23
Johnson, Eric	Feb 28

## Club Anniversaries

Cater, Alma	27 years
Feb 02 1988	
Elmer, Corey	12 years
Feb 11 2003	
Frost, Josh	2 years
Feb 12 2013	
Moore, Noel	16 years
Feb 23 1999	



and safe returns home; and, of course, the opportunity to shower loved ones with flowers on Valentine's Day Saturday.

Quote of the day: "If you think small things can't make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito."

### Jump Start program helps 3- to 5-year-olds get up to speed before kindergarten

Rotarian of the Day George Davis introduced the second of two special programs on preparing Moorhead youngsters for school success. Speaker Joelle Hofer works with Moorhead Public Schools' Jump Start Healthy Reader early-childhood services.

The United Way-supported school readiness program serves 76 3-year-olds and 148 4- and 5-year-olds at risk for starting kindergarten at a disadvantage ... a drawback from which many, according to research, may

never catch up.

Eighty percent of the Jump Start children's families live below the poverty line, and 72 percent have already been part of early intervention services like public health nurse Gyda Anderson's program. They face a variety of challenges: medical or physical issues including speech impediments and hearing loss; a primary language other than English; and home environments in which their language development has received less stimulation.

Jump Start's licensed teachers focus on expanding the children's language skills and growing their vocabularies. They encourage them to talk more, describe pictures, learn the alphabet and read simple words, along with some pre-math activities. Manners and sharing are important. The teachers employ everything from music and movement to "messy art" to engage them in learning.

## Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

### Tuesday, Feb. 17

Sergeant at Arms: .....E Wilkie  
ROD: .....Russ Hanson  
Program: .....Mark Peihl, Clay County archivist,  
"Pioneer Photographers Flaten & Wange"  
Greeters .....J Andreasen & R Leiseth

### Tuesday, Feb. 24

Sergeant at Arms & ROD: .....E Wilkie  
Program: .....Charley Johnson, F-M CVB  
Greeters: ..... J Baldwin & C Matthes

### Tuesday, March 3

Travel drawing for Florida getaway  
Sergeant at Arms: .....M Hulett  
Rotarian of the Day: .....Barb Belcher  
Program: .....Mary Jean Dehne, Legacy  
Children's Foundation  
Greeters: .....T Beaton & R McLarnan

### Tuesday, March 10

Board meeting, 11-11:45 a.m.  
Sergeant at Arms & ROD: .....J Hannig  
Program: .....Online soliciting & Internet crime,  
Moorhead Police Dept.

Greeters: .....B Belcher & G Monson

### Tuesday, March 17 — at Eventide

(Entrance on south side of Eventide)  
Sergeant at Arms & ROD: .....D Sederquist  
Program: .....Mark Peihl, Clay Co. archivist,  
"Doc Humphry's Home Movies, An Amateur  
Filmmaker's view of Moorhead in 1917"  
Greeters: .....A Blackhurst & N Moore

### Tuesday, March 24

Sergeant at Arms: .....E Wilkie  
ROD: .....Jerry Rogers  
Program: .....Robert Bakken, Essentia  
Hospital, overview of expanded hospital & clinic  
Greeters: .....N Brifki & T Moorhead

### Tuesday, March 31

Sergeant at Arms & ROD: M Hulett  
Program: Gary Nolte & Gina Monson,  
report on Rotary Haiti mission  
Greeters: M Bertilrud & H Miller

**Thursday, April 16:** Taste of Moorhead  
VOLUNTEERS needed