

# 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.

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### 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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### Straw Hat Players offer musical samples from MSUM's 'Fiddler on the Roof'

President Jon Benson welcomed Moorhead Rotarians to a new venue Tuesday — our meeting room at the Hjemkomst Center in downtown Moorhead. Both he and secretary Teresa Joppa logged their first meeting in their new roles ... dining, along with members, on a lunch provided by our new caterer, the Concordia College Food Service.

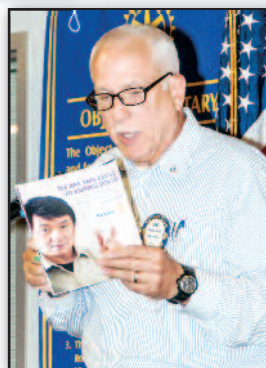
President Jon announced that monthly board meetings, too, will have a new look. Starting on Tuesday, July 15, they'll take place next door to the regular meeting room and begin at 11 a.m. to facilitate attendance by directors whose family early-morning routines have made our old sessions (at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday) difficult to attend.

### Nolte 'pins' three more Harris Fellows

Gary Nolte, our club Rotary Foundation representative, presented Paul Harris Fellowship pins to Stacey Ackerman, Tracey Moorhead and Ron Kolb in recognition of their gifts. Stacey and Tracey received their first pins, while Ron's represents his third award.

### Hulett: 'Better to light one candle'

Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett quoted an optimistic proverb in tune with the Rotarian point of view: "It is better to light one candle than to sit in the dark and curse." Rotary International has tackled many world ills by lighting one candle, and then another, he said,



Photos: President Jon Benson. Vern Goodin leads us in "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Gary Nolte presents Paul Harris Fellow pins to Stacey Ackerman, Tracey Moorhead & Ron Kolb. Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett. Rotarian of the Day Dave Wahlberg. Straw Hat Players perform selections from "Fiddler on the Roof."



The next Rotary board meeting is 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 15, at the Hjemkomst Center next door to our meeting room. All are (always) welcome!

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Tuesday, July 8

Sergeant at Arms M Hulett
ROD Russ Hanson
Program Don Kinzler, The Forum's
'Growing Together' columnist
Greeters E Johnson & J Andraesen

Tuesday, July 15

Sergeant at Arms G Monson
ROD Barb Belcher
Program Paul Finstad, YMCA
of Cass Clay
Greeters G Johnson & J Baldwin

Tuesday, July 22

Sergeant at Arms E Johnson
ROD Russ Hanson
Program Ashley Ladbury,
education coordinator, First Link
Greeters T Joppa & T Beaton.

July 29

Wegeant at Arms J Hannig
ROD Bill Schwandt
Program Dennis Eisenbraun,
MPS energy services manager
— Moorhead's new Solar
Energy Garden.
Greeters R Kolb & B Belcher

July Birthdays

Davis, George Jul 01
Hutchins, Scott Jul 02
Benson, Jon Jul 06
Qualey, Neil Jul 17
Parries, Kay Jul 22

July Anniversaries

Rogers, Jerry & Sue 44 years
Jul 18, 1970

Davis, George & Linda 46 years
Jul 27, 1968

Club Anniversaries

Dovre, Paul 34 years
Jul 01, 1980
Wilkie, Eric 3 years
Jul 01, 2011
Schaefer, Steve 12 years
Jul 02, 2002
Holtan, Paul 2 years
Jul 10, 2012
Qualey, Neil 22 years
Jul 21, 1992
Rude, Riley 1 Year
Jul 30, 2013
Wahlberg, David 2 years
Jul 31, 2012



Photos: MSUM's Straw Hat Players. (Right) Josh Frost wins opportunity to draw for the weekly raffle pot — and pulls the wrong card.

citing the campaign to eliminate polio that's tantalizingly close to its goal.

Happy dollars were offered in honor of Anne Blackhurst's first day as president of MSUM as well as our guests, members of the university's Straw Hat Players. Others honored Rotary's progress, Canada Day, daughters' weddings and offspring's Air Force training.

Rotarian Dave Wahlberg introduces stars of MSUM's musical, 'Fiddler on the Roof'

Rotarian of the Day Dave Wahlberg announced that, after enjoying the Concordia caterers' excellent lunch, we were having 'dessert' thanks to MSUM: vocal highlights of the Straw Hat Players' final musical of the summer, 'Fiddler on the Roof.'

He reminded us of the regionally acclaimed summer theater troupe's history, starting with the late Delmar Hansen, who founded the popular tradition 51 years ago. The 2014 season began with the '50s and '60s sounds of 'Suds' and wraps up this month with one of America's most beloved musicals — set in a tiny Jewish settlement in pre-revolutionary Russia.

The musical is slated for Thursday and Friday,

July 10 and 11, as well as Tuesday through Friday, July 15-18. Tickets are still available. For reservations, call the Straw Hat box office, (218) 477-2271 ... or make your reservations online at mnstate.edu/strawhat/tickets.

The majority of the theater company is made up of MSUM students and recent graduates. High school interns also get a taste of the stage during the six-week season. Straw Hat alumni are also sometimes tapped for certain productions.

Shows are picked for the next season in the fall, followed by auditions in February and contracts being issued in March. Actors and technical staff can start learning their roles then, but scripts aren't distributed until Memorial Day ... with the first play opening one week later.

President Jon reminded our guests that Rotary will present a children's book to the Lake Agassiz Regional Library in their honor.

Raffle pot escapes Josh's grasp

Rotarian Josh Frost was the lucky winner of a chance to draw for the \$1,191 in our weekly raffle pot. His card, however, was a dud. The kitty grows on, while the number of remaining cards shrinks week by week. Next week: you?

Why Am I a Rotarian ... by Josh Frost

I am a newer member of the Rotary club here in Moorhead. I have been working in Moorhead for a number of years and was looking for a way to get more involved in the community in which I was working. I knew our former branch president Neil Qualey was involved with the club, along with Greg Johnson. I asked Greg about Rotary and went to a couple meetings; I thought it would be a good way to get to know the city of Moorhead and what it has to offer. I look forward to getting more involved with the club once my life as a new parent calms down a bit!

'Why I Am a Rotarian' Assignments

Table with 2 columns: Name and Due Date. Includes William Craft (due May 6), Paul Dovre (due June 3), Randy Farwell (due June 17), Doreen Filler (due June 24), Vern Goodin (due July 8), Ron Hagemann (due July 15), Bob Hanna (due July 22), Jean Hannig (due July 29).

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