



The Paddlewheel

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 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's meeting: Rotarian Pat Gulbranson, last week's cover boy on the Moorhead Extra, will talk about the mission and programs of Family HealthCare, which serves 16,000 patients in the community. Mike Hulett is sergeant at arms, and Russ Hanson is Rotarian of the day. Our greeters are Josh Frost & Eric Wilkie.

Rourke Museum curator & manager describe Moorhead museum's value

Acting president Eric Wilkie opened the meeting with an opportunity to be a star — reminding Rotarians that the centennial video being produced for the Fargo Rotary Club needed extras for shooting at 5. Gary Nolte, who plays a founder in the entertaining show, attended in early 20th century garb to set the scene.

The Fargo club celebrates its birthday June 29 at the Radisson Hotel. There's still time to make reservations by going to fargorotary.org and clicking on the centennial logo.

Jean Hannig announced that the five-club F-M Rotary group is in great need of a treasurer, and volunteering would be greatly appreciated.

Eric reminded members that the club will not meet on July 4 (to no one's surprise). He noted that three long-serving members — Russ Hanson, Jill Baldwin and Jon Benson — have completed their terms on the board of directors.

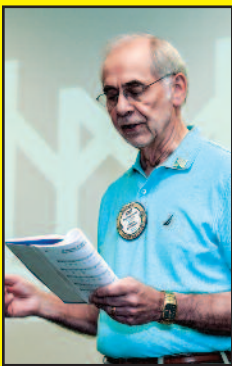


Photos/Russ Hanson: Lisa Borgen & Paul Dovre. Acting President Eric Wilkie. Les Bakke (upper right) introduces Rourke Art Gallery manager Cady Mittlestadt and curator Jonathan Rutter.

Rourke Art Museum reps recount renewal

Rourke Art Museum board member Les Bakke introduced the two young staffers who are bringing renewal to the 57-year-old Moorhead institution, manager Cady Mittlestadt and curator Jonathan Rutter. Cady is a graduate of Concordia in history and Latin with a focus on art history. Jonathan, an art graduate of Minnesota State University Moorhead, earned his MFA in painting from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Arts.

The two recounting the founding of the gallery by James O'Rourke in 1960. Its original site was in the Martinson house on Fourth Street. From the beginning, O'Rourke collected quality art in many genres, starting with the pop and hip art of the 1960s. The permanent collection now includes 4,000 works, with a significant regional art collection, important



Visitors

Coralie Wai, guest of Sam Wai
Cady Mittlestadt & Jonathan Rutter,
Rourke Art Gallery, speakers
Les Bakke & Bev Lake

June Birthdays

Frost, Josh	Jun 01
Baldwin, Jill	Jun 09
Schwandt, Bill	Jun 09
Farwell, Randy	Jun 18
Joppa, Teresa	Jun 27
Wright, Edgar	Jun 27

Wedding Anniversaries

Dovre, Paul & Mardy	Jun 03 1958
59 years	
Suomala, Paul & Dorothy	Jun 13 1964
52 years	
Qualey, Neil & Carmen	Jun 15 1968
48 years	
Wai, Samuel & Coralie	Jun 20 1976
40 years	
Tranby, Dave & Sharon	Jun 22 1974
42 years	

Rotary Anniversaries

Deilke, Violet	21 years
Jun 04 1996	

Photos: Song leader/sergeant at arms John Andreason. Sam and Coralie Wai with Rourke curator Jonathan Rutter. Pat Gulbranson, Tim Beaton and Ron Kolb. Gary Nolte in costume for the Fargo Rotary centennial video.

20th century artists and art movements, and global collections.

The founder’s passion was showcasing the best in regional art. Many of the area’s most celebrated artists got their start there, including Charles Beck, Charles Thysell, Deborah Mae Broad, Jack Youngquist, Carl Oltvedt and George Pfeiffer.

In 1996 the museum moved into the old Moorhead Post Office building on Main Avenue, where its focus expanded to include artists with regional roots and national profiles like Fritz Scholder and Robert A. Nelson.

The Rourke Museum hosts 24 exhibits this year, including the 58th Midwestern Invitational juried show, which opens June 18 and runs through Sept. 3. It showcases the work of 86 artists, all focused on this year’s theme of “Revolution.”

Jonathan noted that admission is free to

students under 18 and — starting in July — will also be open to all visitors. “Thanks to our new and lasting members, we and the Plains Art Museum in Fargo will be free of financial barriers,” he noted. Memberships are \$75 per year. Donations are most welcome; to become a member and make a contribution, go to therourke.org. Other funding comes from The Arts Partnership, the Lake Region Arts Council, the Minnesota State Arts Board and the North Dakota Council on the Arts.

The Rourke’s building is one of the most historic in Moorhead. The cornerstone was set in 1913. The sole surviving original building of the old downtown Moorhead, it served as the city post office from 1915 through 1960. After completion of the current post office two blocks away, it served as the city office building. In 1965 it became the Red River Arts Center and has, since then, housed an evolving roster of fine arts organizations including the Plains Art Museum.

Looking Ahead

June 13

Sergeant at ArmsMike Hulett
Rotarian of the DayRuss Hanson
Program ..Pat Gulbranson, Family HealthCare’s
Open Doors
GreetersJosh Frost & Eric Wilkie

June 20

Sergeant at ArmsSam Wai
Rotarian of the DayPat Gulbranson
ProgramMaria Steen, Lakes & Prairie
Child Care Aware
Greeters.....Emily Gess & Bill Woods

June 27

Sergeant at ArmsJean Hannig
Rotarian of the DayRuss Hanson
ProgramJeff Wallin, Moorhead Fire Dept.
“New Emergency CPR Techniques”
GreetersGary Gonser & Bob Hanna

July 4 — No meeting

July 11

Sergeant at Arms
Rotarian of the DayPat Gulbranson
ProgramTed Horan, RDO Equipment
GreetersRay Grefsheim & Jean Hannig

July 18

Sergeant at Arms
ProgramAnnual Club Assembly
GreetersPat Gulbranson
& Chuck Hendrickson

July 25

Sergeant at Arms
Rotarian of the DayPat Gulbranson
ProgramChris Meyers, U.S. Attorney
Greeters ..Stacey Ackerman & Dale Hetland