



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary
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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.

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This week's meeting: The Rourke Art Gallery & Museum's manager Cady Mittlestadt and curator Jonathan Rutter talk about art in the heartland this week. John Andreasen is sergeant at arms. Russ Hanson is Rotarian of the Day, and Doreen Filler and David Tranby are greeters.

Moorhead Airport is soaring, generating cash flow, offering pluses to community

Former president Kay Parries, filling in at the podium, reminded Rotarians to take a look at their Paddlewheel (last week and again this week) for information on Fargo Rotary's centennial celebration dinner Thursday, June 29. The event begins with a social hour at 5:30 and dinner at 6:30 at the Radisson Hotel downtown.

The club is producing a professional video to promote Rotary International as part of its 100th birthday, and they're looking for actors and extras. Filming is scheduled for 5 p.m. Tuesday (June 6). Come and be a star! Rotarians from all five clubs will gather by the fountain at the entrance to Lindenwood Park at 5 p.m.

Sergeant Dave discusses Memorial Day and Gates Foundation support

Rotarian of the Day John Andreasen led the club in "America the Beautiful and read the Gettysburg Address ... just two minutes long, but powerful.



Photos: Acting president Kay Parries. John Andreasen leads the group in a Memorial Day tribute (top) and introduces speaker Roger Olson (lower right) of the Moorhead Airport.

Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist followed John's patriotic interlude with a discussion of the history of Memorial Day. He also noted that the Bill and Linda Gates Foundation continues to match Rotary contributions for worldwide polio eradication. Cindy Nolte contributed happy dollars in honor of the past eight weeks, which have gone by without a single case of polio reported on Planet Earth.

Dave levied fines, too – for coming late or leaving early, for not talking to one of our newer members so far today, and for failing to wear either of the Rotary colors, blue and grey.

Others chipping in happy dollars included Jean Hannig, who was grateful for her 10-day trip to Ireland, and Mike Hulett, for the club's guests and for all family members who served in the military.

Sgt. Sederquist lightened the mood by sharing several statements from actual insurance



Sergeant at Arms David Sederquist. Bill Woods and speaker Roger Olson. Cindy Nolte and Mike Hulett. Photos/Russ Hanson

Visitors

Erhard Hochörtler
 David Belcher, guest of Barb
 Melissa Fabian, Moorhead City Council
 member, guest of Mike Hulett
 Roger Olson, speaker
 Roxanne Fletcher

Visiting Rotarian

Jay Schmalen, Fargo West

Reported Make-Ups

Jean Hannig, District Conference 4/27-30; FM Rotary Foundation 5/3; Visioning Session 4/24

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	

claims statements:

- “I started to slow down, but the traffic was more stationary than I thought.”
- “I told the police that I was not injured, but when I took my hat off, I realized I had a fractured skull.”
- “The accident happened because I had one eye on the truck, one eye on the pedestrian, and the other eye on the car behind me.”

Moorhead Airport board member talks about how far Moorhead field has come

John Andreasen, Rotarian of the Day, introduced Roger Olson, who serves on the board of the Moorhead Airport Authority. Roger is a retired Air National Guard pilot, former crop sprayer and educator.

“The Moorhead Airport is the best kept secret in Moorhead,” Roger told the Rotarians. “It has been there more than 20 years. Yet many Moorhead residents know little or nothing about it.”

He explained that there are three sectors in aviation: commercial (airlines), military and general aviation, which includes those who fly for business or pleasure. The military and commercial sectors get along great, he said, because “both have high-performance equipment and professionally trained

pilots.” They’re well served by Hector Airport in Fargo.

The Moorhead Airport exclusively serves general aviation. That eliminates competition with Hector and gives Moorhead its own niche, he noted. “Each airport serves separate groups,” he said.

In the past, Moorhead was served by the old Warren Johnson Airport north of I-94, with its grass airstrip. Partial funding for a new, modern airport was available from Minnesota Department of Transportation, but it required a match from the Federal Aviation Administration. U.S. Rep. Collin Peterson intervened, securing funds in the federal transportation bill.

“Now the airport is cash-flowing,” Roger said, with a staff of 10, and it’s growing fast. The beige hangars with blue roofs are privately owned. The white buildings accommodate rental space for 55 to 60 private aircraft.

The airport’s FBO – fixed-base operator -- is Moorhead Aviation Services, LLC. The fast-growing private business deals in avionics, service and installation. Roger added that the only flight simulator in the area is at the Moorhead field. Pilots can book it for virtual practice at flying into any airport in the country with their own specific aircraft; the cost is \$60 per hour.

Looking Ahead

June 6

Sergeant at ArmsJohn Andreasen
 Rotarian of the DayRuss Hanson
 ProgramCady Mittlestadt & Jonathan Rutter
 Rourke Art Gallery and Museum
 GreetersDoreen Filler & David Tranby

June 13

Sergeant at ArmsMike Hulett
 Rotarian of the DayRuss Hanson
 ProgramOlga Reuvekamp, Minnesota
 Ag and Rural Leadership Program
 GreetersJosh Frost & Eric Wilkie

June 20

Sergeant at ArmsSam Wai
 Rotarian of the DayPat Gulbrandson
 ProgramMaria Steen, Lakes & Prairie
 Child Care Aware
 GreetersEmily 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