



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.

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This week: Dr. Ahmed Kamel of Concordia College joins us to discuss "Islam: Perceptions and Misconceptions." The director of Concordia's Center for Interfaith Projects will share his insights on perceptions and misconceptions of the Islamic faith, and the experience of Muslims in the Fargo-Moorhead area. Josh Frost & Jade Rosenfeldt are greeters.

Rotarians celebrate 111th birthday, hear Clay County Attorney Brian Melton

Acting President Cindy Nolte welcomed members and guests to our meeting, which fell on Rotary International's 111th birthday — the occasion for an especially rousing "Happy Birthday" led by Bob Hanna and Corey Elmer (who was celebrating his own birthday).

Recital with a Cause coming up fast

The Recital with a Cause is just around the corner, coming up Tuesday, March 15. Committee members Russ Hanson and Sam Wai passed out posters and flyers, urging Moorhead Rotarians to also plan to attend the outstanding musical event that night.

They also reminded members that Gary and Cindy Nolte have offered to match all personal contributions of \$100 to the recital and Polio Plus.

Visiting Rotarians Scott Anderson,, Tom Riley and Cheryl Knudson sing along with Gary Nolte.



Photos: Acting President Cindy Nolte. Stacey Ackerman talks about Guatemala trip. Cheryl Knudson of Fargo Downtown Rotary announces training for Rotary Visioning. Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig. Rotarian of the Day Teresa Joppa introduces Clay County Attorney Brian Melton.

Ackerman reports on Guatemala trip

Stacey Ackerman reported briefly on Rotary's school project in Guatemala, where she volunteered along with Gary Nolte and her 14-year-old daughter. The team added two classrooms to the school there ... and learned a new appreciation, she said, for hot showers, Wi Fi and paved roads.

Rotary visioning facilitators to train April 2

Cheryl Knudson of Fargo Downtown Rotary invited members to take part in a workshop for Rotary visioning facilitators. It takes place from



Classical musicians to perform as if lives depend on it.
 Local young, smart singing musicians to perform in an effort to end polio worldwide.
RECITAL WITH CAUSE
 Tuesday March 15, 2016
 7:00 PM
 First Lutheran Church
 619 Broadway, Fargo
 Free Admission



Bob Hanna & Corey Elmer lead singing. Tammy Finney, Dave Keller, Matt Thomason & Dale Stenerson.



Guests, 2/23/16.

- Ken Kohler
- Brian Melton, speaker
- Tangkwa Apinya Simasthien, FES

Visiting Rotarians

- Tom Riley, Fargo AM
- Scott Anderson, Austin (MN) Rotary
- Steve Shark, Fargo West
- Cheryl Knudson, Fargo Downtown

Make-Ups

- Gary Nolte & Stacey Ackerman, Rotary Guatemala trip
- Jean Hannig, FM/PM, 2/15
- Violet Deilke, 2/13 and 2/19
- Russ Hanson & Sam Wai, Recital Committee

March Birthdays

- Swenson, Robert Mar 07
- Rogers, Jerry Mar 13
- Wilkie, Eric Mar 13
- Holtan, Paul Mar 14
- Hulett, Michael Mar 17
- Ackerman, Stacey Mar 20

Club Anniversaries

- Wai, Samuel 15 years
Mar 01 2001
- Filler, Doreen 2 years
Mar 11 2014
- Belcher, Barb 3 years
Mar 19 2013
- Hagemann, Ron 3 years
Mar 19 2013

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 2. RSVPs for the 30 seats available are due by Friday.

Sergeant salutes Leap Year, gathers \$\$

Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig ran down the history of Leap Years and Leap Day, coming up next Monday — a calendar-correcting practice begun by the Romans but formalized by Pope Gregory. Happy dollars were collected for the Guatemala trip and participating members; MSUM Dragons men’s and women’s basketball, both securing division championships; lost dogs found by Pet Patrol; and a daughter’s art in her college’s exhibition.

Clay County Attorney details his work

Rotarian of the Day Teresa Joppa introduced Clay County Attorney Brian Melton. The attorney, first elected in 2006, served in

Bosnia and Iraq with Fargo Police Officer Jason Moszer; he thanked the community for its support of law enforcement.

Brian heads an office of nine attorneys, five legal assistants and a crime victim assistant. He said their workload grows as the city and county do; today 2,700 to 3,000 are open every year. He noted that burglary, theft, drunken driving and domestic assaults are all on the upswing, with one domestic and one DUI charged out daily, on average.

“Alcohol is the main drug of choice, and it drives other crimes,” he said, “but there is a real uptick in heroin use.” He cited Drug Court and Domestic Abuse Court sessions and intensive monitoring as ways the county works to get users and abusers back on the straight and narrow and prevent relapses. A pilot Veterans Court also seeks to aid troubled vets.

Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, March 1

Sergeant at Arms
 Program.....Dr. Ahmed Kamel, Concordia, “Islam: Perceptions and Misconceptions”
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 Greeters.....Josh Frost & Jade Rosenfeldt

Tuesday, March 8

Sergeant at Arms
 ProgramCraig Whitney, FMWF Chamber
 The president talks about how the bi-state, regional federation of over 2,100 private, public and non-profit member firms representing more than 98,000 people advocates for a strong metropolitan community and supports the interests of its members.
 Greeters.....Ron Hagemann & Steve Schaefer

Tuesday, March 15

Rotarian of the DayViolet Deilke
 Program.....Clay County Jail Ministry
 GreetersPat Gulbranson & Bill Schwandt

**Tuesday, March 15 — 7 p.m.
 FM Rotary Recital with a Cause**
 First Lutheran Church

Tuesday, March 22

Sergeant at Arms
 Program.....Matt Von Pinnon, editor, The Forum
 GreetersBob Hanna & John Shockley

Tuesday, March 29

Sergeant at Arms
 ProgramGreg Gust, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, National Weather Service, Grand Forks. Floods, blizzards, tornadoes – it’s seldom a dull meteorological time in the Valley. We’ll learn more about the National Weather Service, the federal agency that provides weather forecasts & warns of hazardous weather.
 GreetersChuck Hendrickson & D Stenerson

Tuesday, April 5

ProgramDave Hunstad, Moorhead Business Association
 GreetersDale Hetland & Paul Suomala