



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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Rotarian Bryan Davidson talks about life as a professional Boy Scout

President-elect Jon Benson welcomed Rotarians to March 4's meeting in the absence of President Cindy Nolte. He thanked Cindy and Gary for hosting last week's Fireside Chat at their home, an event especially geared to newer members. Among his announcements was the news that Rotarian Heather Runck of Fargo has been nominated as a "woman of the year" for her work with the five clubs' Project English.

One of our own wins big trip

Travel Raffle committee members Violet Deilke and George Davis announced the month's winners to the beat of a drum flourish by Dave Sederquist ... and once again member participation in the fund-raising project paid off with a winner. President Cindy won perhaps the most coveted prize of the year, the Alaskan cruise in June. Her ticket was sold by husband Gary.



Photos: Greeters Anne Blackhurst & Jerry Rogers with Chuck Matthees. Song leader Bill Schwandt. President-elect Jon Benson. Travel committee members Violet Deilke & George Davis. Jon & Dave Sederquist.

Russ Hanson's ticket-buyer Don Shilling of Fargo won the \$200 cash award, while Bob Udland of Fargo received a \$100 dining certificate to Monte's, thanks to his purchase from Noel Moore.

You know you've had too much coffee ...

Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig shared warning signs that you've had too much coffee. Among them: Juan Valdez names his donkey after you. You're the employee of the



Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig. Boy Scout executive Bryan Davidson delivers his classification talk.

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FES Jonathan Junge, Kay Parries & Alma Cater, Bill Craft & Jon Riewer

Looking Ahead

March 11

Sergeant at Arms M Hulett
ROD R Hanson
Program Mark Boen, Bluebird
Gardens, Fergus Falls
Greeters N Brifki & R Rude

March 18

Sergeant at Arms G Monson
ROD R Hanson
Program Leann Wallin,
Moorhead Police Dept.—
elder abuse
Greeters A Cater
& S Schaefer

March 25

Sergeant at Arms
ROD J Benson
Program Dr. Abdul Baker,
robotic neurosurgeon at
Essentia
Greeters W Craft & W Schwandt

April 1

RDO Jon Benson
Program Classification talk
by Dan Stauffer
Greeters B Davidson
& D Sederquist

May 8-10

**Rotary District 5580
District Conference,**
Fargo Holiday Inn

'Why I Am a Rotarian' Assignments

John Andreasen	due March 18
Tim Beaton	due March 25
Barb Belcher	due April 1
Jon Benson	due April 8
Mark Bertilrud	due April 15
Anne Blackhurst	due April 22
Alma Cater	due April 29
William Craft	due May 6

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
Goodin, Vern	Mar 21

Club Anniversaries

Wai, Samuel	13 years
Mar 01, 2001	
Belcher, Barb	1 year
Mar 19, 2013	
Hagemann, Ron	1 year
Mar 19, 2013	
Goodin, Vern	18 years
Mar 26, 1996	



month at the local coffeehouse, and you don't even work there. Your life's goal is "to amount to a hill of beans." And when someone asks you how you are, you tell them, "Good to the last drop."

She also pointed out that March is Literacy Month, citing Rotary International president Ron Burton's admonition that we should not take reading for granted. Millions around the world still lack this vital skill. Our annual donation of dictionaries to Clay County third graders is one step toward encouraging it.

Happy Dollars once again saluted exchange student Jonathan Junge's striking orange hair, along with a variety of good news. Bill Schwandt, who's Moorhead's public service director, took the opportunity to advise residents to run a trickle of water from one of their faucets for the next several weeks, as deep frost continues to threaten water mains.

Bryan Davidson talks about scouting mission

Bryan Davidson's classification talk focused on his work as a professional Boy Scout. He is district director of the Northern Light Council of Boy Scouts of America based in Fargo. The organization serves 10 counties in North Dakota and four in west central Minnesota.

A native of Kansas and Missouri, Bryan earned a degree in biology. Working at Lowe's after graduation, he became involved in Habitat for Humanity and in reconstruction projects for victims of hurricanes and tornados. It was his introduction to what he calls "mission work" ... enhanced when he married into a family doing international mission projects.

He volunteered with the Boy Scouts before moving into its professional management, where his responsibilities include recruiting, training and inspiring volunteers, as well as raising money and working with young people. One of area scouts' upcoming projects is to collect donations during the F-M Food Drive on Saturday, March 22. They also have outreach programs on the tribal reservations, among area citizens with disabilities and in low-income neighborhoods. High-school members take part in Explorers groups with the Moorhead Police Department, Fargo Zoo and in Hawley, Minn.

Weekly raffle fails to turn up a winner

Jon Riewer purchased the winning ticket in our weekly raffle, winning a chance to try to draw the right card to take home half of the \$635 pot. (The other half stays in the treasury.) His efforts were in vain. No winner!

Why I Am a Rotarian ... by Stacey Ackerman

I have two main reasons for being a Rotarian, and I can sum them up as the balance between local connections and global mission.

First, I have been travelling a lot for work, and I appreciate the connection that Rotary gives me to our community. No matter how often I am gone or far away I have been, I can come home to my friends at Rotary who are talented and caring leaders

Second, I love our global vision around polio eradication, clean water, and literacy. The two mission trips to Guatemala under Keith Brokke and David Manning were truly life-changing. (Thank you to Gary and Cindy Nolte for the encouragement to go!) I hope to take my teenagers in the next year or two, so they know that they are not the center of the universe!



**ROTARY DISTRICT 5580
DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2014
Holiday Inn and Convention Center
Fargo, ND**



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, May 7:

3:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.
5:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.
6:30 P.M. -

Registration Desk Opens
District Governor's Reception (By Invitation Only)
District Governor's Appreciation Dinner (By Invitation Only)

THURSDAY, May 8:

7:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.
8:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.
9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.
10:15 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
12:00 P.M. –
1:00 P.M. -
1:00 P.M. -
1:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.
6:00 P.M. -

Breakfast (On your own)
Registration/Credentials Desk Open
Strategic Planning Committee Meeting
Executive and Finance Committee Meeting
Lunch (On your own)
Tour – to be announced.
Project Fair Setup
Grant Management Seminar
Ice Breaker Social and Dinner with Optional attendance at
"Recital with a Cause." (Bus transportation provided.)

FRIDAY, May 9:

7:00 A.M. – 8:45 A.M.
7:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
7:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

7:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.
9:15 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

9:45 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.

10:15 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

10:30 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.

11:20 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

12:15 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.
1:00 P.M. -
1:15 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.
2:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

Breakfast (On your own)
Registration/Credentials Desk Open
Paul Harris Breakfast and Foundation Awards (Open to all
Conference attendees. (Ticketed event)
Project Fair Setup
Opening Ceremonies
Welcome Remarks
Flag Presentation by Youth Exchange Students
Group Study Exchange Presentation (Outbound Team Finland)

BREAK / Visit the Project Fair

District Training Assembly Breakout Session #1
1. Membership (PDG Don Cavalier)
2. Foundation Panel
3. Public Relations (DGE Tim Kaminski)

District Training Assembly Breakout Session #2 (Catch one you missed in Session #1)
1. Membership (PDG Don Cavalier)
2. Foundation Panel
3. Structure of Rotary (DGE Tim Kaminski)

Keynote Lunch (Speaker: Roger Kueter, Zone 28 Public Image Coordinator)
Guest Tour #1 – Downtown Fargo-Moorhead
PLENARY SESSION #1
Jon Stillman, Zone 28 Polio Chair
District Awards (Julie Rothmeier)

2:30 P.M. – 2:45 P.M.	BREAK / Visit the Project Fair
2:45 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.	<u>District Training Assembly Breakout Session #3</u> 1. Water Projects (Bob McLean and DGN Craig Loughery/Diane Loughery) 2. Mano Amano 3. Grant Project Ideas (Keith Brokke and David Gottenborg)
3:45 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.	<u>PLENARY SESSION #2</u> Nancy Hoffman (Rotary Foundation Representative) and Kent and Justin (Healthy Brains)
4:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	District Conference 2015 Promotion
5:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	FREE TIME / Visit the Project Fair
6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.	Social, Dinner and Silent Auction (Proceeds of Silent Auction benefit The Rotary Foundation)
9:00 P.M. -	Hospitality Rooms Open
<u>SATURDAY, May 10:</u>	
7:00 A.M. – 8:15 A.M.	Breakfast (On your own)
8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.	Registration and Credentials Desk Open (Credentials will close at Noon)
8:30 A.M. – 9:15 A.M.	Memorial Service
9:30 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	<u>PLENARY SESSION #3</u> Serena Christiansen, Williston Rotary Club “Rotary through the Ages”
10:15 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.	BREAK / Visit the Project Fair
10:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.	Youth Exchange Presentation
12:00 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.	Keynote Luncheon / Roxana Sabiri – Ambassadorial Scholar
1:00 P.M. -	Guest Tour #2 – Bonanzaville Pioneer Village
1:15 P.M. – 1:45 P.M.	Awards (Julie Rothmeier)
1:45 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	BREAK / Visit the Project Fair
2:00 P.M. – 2:45 P.M.	<u>District Training Breakout Sessions #4:</u> 1. RYLA (Stephanie Kitchen and Marty Byrnes) 2. Detroit Lakes Rotary Club Student KIVA Project 3. Interact/Rotaract
2:45 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.	BREAK / Project Fair Tear Down
3:15 P.M. – 4:15 P.M.	District 5580 Annual Business Meeting
4:15 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	FREE TIME
6:00 P.M. – 6:45 P.M.	District Governor’s Social (by Invitation Only)
6:00 P.M. – 6:45 P.M.	Cash Bars Open before Governor’s Banquet
7:00 P.M. – 8:45 P.M.	Governor’s Gala Banquet Speaker: John Boag, RI President’s Representative
9:00 P.M. -	Final Awards (Julie Rothmeier) Entertainment and Hospitality Rooms

This schedule is tentative and subject to change.