



The Paddlewheel

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District 5580

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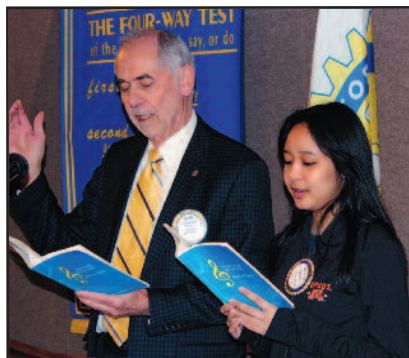
The Moorhead Rotary board of directors meets the second Tuesday of each month.

- International President
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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: No regular meeting this week! Instead, those who have signed up to volunteer will meet at the Dorothy Day House Food Pantry at 1308 Main Avenue to help clients select their groceries, beginning with training at 12:30 p.m.

'Mission of Mercy' to offer free dental care for 1,000 area residents July 22 & 23

President Eric Wilkie welcomed members Tuesday, thanking those who helped with last weekend's rummage sale fund-raiser. Chairman Dave Sederquist reported that the sale netted about \$2,100, somewhat less than the club had hoped. He pointed out that more discussion and ideas are needed to address future needs to raise funds for our charitable work in the community.

Volunteers to help Dorothy Day pantry

Dale Hetland recapped plans for the club's next service project, which takes the place of the regular meeting on May 10. Volunteers who have signed up to help will meet at the Dorothy Day House Food Pantry (1308 Main Avenue) at 12:30 for a brief training session, followed by helping families shop for the free groceries until 2:30 p.m.

The president also reminded members to make a note on their mental calendars for another change of pace that will replace the regular noon meeting. At 4 p.m. May 24, we'll gather at D-S Beverages, 201 17th St. N., where Doug Restemayer will offer a tour of the company's warehouse. Libations and snacks will be served.



Photos/Tammy Finney:
Jon Andreason & Tangkwa lead "Sing, Rotarians." The departing Mark Bertlud helps travel committee chair Violet Deilke announce final winners of the year, with Dave Sederquist adding a drum flourish. Speaker Wayne Christianson, DDS, shares plans for the upcoming Mission of Mercy July 22-23 in Moorhead, which is seeking volunteer helpers.

Year's final travel winners announced

Travel committee chairwoman Violet Deilke and member Mark Bertlud (attending his last meeting before his move to Thief River Falls) unveiled the winners of the final trip awarded as part of the club's travel raffle.

Teresa Joppa sold winner Tim Hosahl the ticket that won him a trip for two to San Antonio, Texas. Randy Farwell's customer Greg Reardon won second prize, \$200 cash. Third prize, a \$100 gift certificate to the Speak Easy, was purchased by Jim Lancaster from Jean Hannig.

4-Way Test, math facts shared by Hulett

Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett led members through Rotary's Four-Way Test, standards for positive and ethical behavior.

He also shared several interesting points about time and money: You should always borrow money from pessimists because they don't expect to get it back. Furthermore, just think about all the people you know ... half of



Photos/Tammy Finney: Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett. Rotarian of the Day Dave Tranby. Pianist Sharon Fangsrud. Singers Nancy Edmonds Hanson, Lynn Kovash and Kay Parries.

Guests, 05/03/16

Wayne Christianson, DDS, speaker
Tangkwa Simasthien, FES

Make-ups

Rummage Sale: George Davis, Gary Nolte, Heidi Olson, Dale Hetland, Doreen Filler, Dave Wahlberg, Kay Parries, Russ Hanson, Tracey Moorhead, Jon Benson, Bill Woods, Ron Kolb, Dave Keller, Lisa Borgen, Jean Hannig, Tangkwa, Eric Wilkie, Violet Deilke, Bob Swenson

May Birthdays

Hannig, Jean May 09
Tranby, Dave May 14
Moorhead, Tracey May 27

Club Anniversaries

Joppa, Teresa 26 years
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them are below average.

Happy dollars saluted Tangkwa’s American stage debut at Moorhead High; Bob Swenson’s pleasure at being home again; and the fact that pre-prom preparations were almost over.

Dental professions & volunteers join to offer critical care to those who can’t pay

Rotarian of the Day Dave Tranby introduced a fellow longtime Moorhead dentist, Dr. Wayne Christianson, who unveiled an ambitious volunteer service project coming up here this summer. Sponsored by the Minnesota Dental Association, the fourth Mission of Mercy will provide dental care to an estimated 2,000 regional residents who can’t afford professional care — dentistry services valued at \$1 million.

Some 250 dentists are expected to take part, along with 100 hygienists, 200 dental assistants, and 500 to 600 local volunteers who will help with registration, logistics and other practical matters. Delta Dental of Minnesota and Patterson Dental provide support for the ambitious program, which begins when a semi load of dental equipment arrives and is set up in Concordia’s Memorial Auditorium July 21.

Doors open at 5 a.m. both Friday and Saturday. In past years, patients began lining up in Mankato, Bemidji and Duluth in the wee hours — or camped out the night before. Wayne predicted that the Moorhead-

Fargo event could be the largest to date, given that the community is substantially larger than others in which the volunteers worked in previous years.

He recounted the program’s history. It began in 2000 in Virginia, where the dental society realized that one in five residents had no access to dental care. Since then, similar drives have been carried out in 32 states, with an estimated 250,000 receiving services.

Wayne, who has volunteered in other Minnesota cities, told of how Minnesota’s Medicaid reimbursement for dental services ranks dead last among the states — compensating dentists who accept those patients at about 25 cents on the dollar. “Since the average practice has overhead of about 75 cents per dollar billed, it’s easy to understand why many dentists in private practice won’t treat these people,” he noted.

He asked the club to consider supporting the cost of transporting 40 senior dental students from the University of Minnesota to Moorhead for the mission.

Weekly card still avoids capture

Steve Schaefer won the coveted chance to pick a winning card and take home our weekly raffle’s burgeoning jackpot. Just nine cards remained. Yet the winning card still managed to elude him. Will that winning card end up the very last one standing?

Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, May 10 — no regular noon meeting
Community service project at Dorothy Day House Food Pantry, 1308 Main Ave., 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17
Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist
Program.....Mark Nesbit, Xcel Energy
GreetersRon Kolb & Sam Wai

Tuesday, May 24 — 4 p.m.
Tour of D-S Beverages Warehouse, 201 17th St N, Moorhead — conducted by Doug Restemayer. Event includes sampling the products and snacks.