



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.

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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: Our meeting Tuesday will be the most important we attend all year! It's time for our every-five-year Club Visioning process. **Instead of meeting at noon**, we'll convene at 5 p.m. at Probstfield School for an evening of ideas and opportunities, affirming who we are, what we value most about Rotary and where we want to go. A light supper is on the menu, too.

President Lynne Kovash: 'Set aside Tuesday evening to lay out our future'

The visioning process is designed to help a Rotary club create its own vision and discover for itself the steps necessary to achieve that vision. The result is unique to each club. Our own members will be designing our club's future as we envision it for the next five years – in our own words, not according to decisions of the Rotary district or Rotary International.

We need you on Tuesday evening! We'd like to see 75 percent of our members attend. To be effective, our visioning event needs a good cross-section of our membership, from our newest to our most experienced. We're counting on using our own talents and experiences to develop a vision and goals for the next five years that uniquely fit us.

We'll get together for a focused, fun-filled four-hour session at Probstfield School, starting at 5 p.m. We want to gather as many ideas and opportunities as we can – then condense all of the input into our most important goals.

This is the most important meeting Moorhead Rotary will hold this year! There's plenty of food for thought ... and we'll be serving a light



supper, too.

Fargo Rotarian Cheryl Knudson will conduct our session. She has been trained in a specific process that encourages us to do our best thinking. By the end of this process, our club will have a clear vision of the following:

- What we stand for in the community;
- The size of membership we're targeting five years from now;
- Identification of our attributes;
- Top three objectives for each avenue of service; and
- Ways to improve our leadership development.

Yogi Berra said, "If you don't know where you are going, chances are you will end up someplace else." If we start with an effective visioning event, we'll end up with a long-range plan that can effectively result in programs locally and internationally. A club vision is a living management tool that begins this process by defining a shared commitment, providing long term direction, creating a framework to establish goals and objectives, and helping us optimize use of our resources.



Photos: Several dozen Rotarians gathered for pool, talk and tacos at Moorhead Billiards.

May Birthdays

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

Wedding Anniversaries

Joppa, Teresa & Richard Norwig
 May 05 1990 26 years
 Hanna, Bob & Zue Zan
 May 22 1982 34 years
 Matthees, Charles& Barbara
 May 26 1979 37 years
 Schaefer, Steve & Terese
 May 30 1992 24 years
 Fangsrud, Sharon& Butch
 May 31 1980 36 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Swenson, Robert 23 years
 May 01 1994
 Monson, Gina 7 years
 May 05 2009



Looking Ahead

Tuesday, May 2 — Visioning Session
(membership meeting) 5–9 p.m.

Required attendance — Probstfield School
 Session conducted by Cheryl Knudson
 Light buffet meal will be served.

Tuesday, May 9 — Oak Grove Arts Center
 Joint meeting with Kiwanis on Oak Grove High
 School Campus

Sergeant at ArmsMike Hulett
 Rotarian of the DayEric Wilkie
 ProgramOak Grove Lutheran High School
 Choir and Band
 GreetersBrad Donabauer & Dale Stenerson

Tuesday, May 16

Sergeant at ArmsGary/Cindy Nolte
 ProgramFinnish exchange student Juho Seil
 GreetersPaul Dovre & Paul Suomala

Tuesday, May 23

Sergeant at ArmsDave Sederquist
 Rotarian of the DayKay Parries
 ProgramGary Nolte, 2017 Mission to Haiti”
 GreetersDan Eggiman & Bob Swenson

Tuesday, May 30

Sergeant at ArmsEric Johnson
 GreetersRandy Farwell & Matt Thomasson