



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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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: Rotarian of the Day John Andreasen introduces our speaker, Roger Olson of the Moorhead Airport Authority, who talks about progress and plans at the city airport. Dave Sederquist is sergeant at arms, and Randy Farwell & Matt Thomasson are the week's greeters.

Past President Eric Wilkie opened the meeting on a somber note last Tuesday, reading a message from President Lynne Kovash, who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer:

"I knew what my diagnosis was on May 16, but I couldn't share it publicly at that time. I do want to thank the club for the support and prayers that have been offered. I thank you for your support this year as I worked together with you to lead the club. We are a part of a great community, and Moorhead Rotary is a major part of that."

Pastor John Andreasen led us in a prayer for Lynne.

Eric Wilkie and Jon Benson, both past presidents, will lead our Rotary meetings through June. The gavel will be passed to incoming president Corey Elmer on July 11. (We don't meet on the first Tuesday of the new club year, which is Independence Day.)

Announcements and a collection

Club members chipped in to help cover expenses for our Rotary exchange student



Photos: Acting president Eric Wilkie. Kay Parries & Barb Belcher. Song leader Bill Schwandt. Kay Parries introduces Gary Nolte, who told about his most recent mission Haiti trip. Photos/Russ Hanson

Erhard to participate in Trollwood this summer.

Eric noted that the Moorhead Rotary board will meet at 11 a.m. before our meeting June 5. The club is seeking nominations for the president elect who'll follow incoming president Corey, whose term is from July 2017 through June 2018. Please speak to a board member about volunteering!

Rotarians contribute 'Dollars for a Cause'

Instead of our regular "happy dollars," Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett invited members to contribute "dollars for a cause."

Instead, of Happy Dollars today, Sgt. Hulett called for dollars for a cause: John Andreasen cited the special recital to be held June 12 at Concordia, with proceeds benefiting HERO – the Healthcare Equipment Recycling Organization. Ron Kolb recalled a trip to the Mideast and how he and his wife, watching the news, still long for lasting peace there.



Visitors

Erhard Hochörtler

Visiting Rotarians

Tom Riley, PDG, FM PM Rotary

May Birthdays

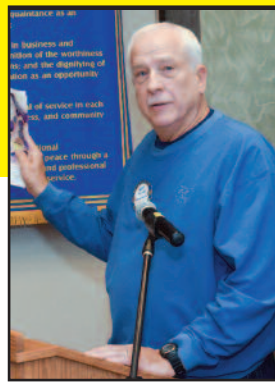
Hannig, Jean May 09
 Tranby, Dave May 14
 Moorhead, Tracey May 27

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



Tom Riley told how he and wife Ann plan to attend the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta in two weeks. Bill Woods recounted how he shared a hug with Lynne last week, not knowing yet of her medical condition. Gary Nolte talked about his and Cindy's surprise at seeing their daughter and granddaughter featured in a recent story in The Forum.

Gary Nolte recounts January 2017 mission to Haiti with Trinity volunteers

Rotarian of the Day Kay Parries introduced our speaker, who truly needs none. Gary Nolte a mass comm graduate of MSUM, has served Rotary in many capacities, including a term as governor of District 5580. He has traveled the world on missions of mercy for Rotary and Trinity Lutheran Church, including hurricane relief in Honduras, Haiti and New Orleans. "Thank you, Gary and Cindy," said Kay, "for all you have done."

Last January, Gary returned to Haiti with a multid denominational group of Moorhead volunteers. It was a homecoming of a sort; his first Trinity mission was in 2003, with several returns since them to build a

Violet Deilke & Erhard Hochörtler. Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett. Gary Gonser & Jon Benson. Dale Hetland & Dave Sederquist. Photos/Russ Hanson

basketball court (2007) and a playground (2008), and put a roof on a computer lab.

The team's current project is constructing a warehouse the size of a football field to preposition disaster relief supplies on site. It is being built in the city of Pignon, population 6,732, under the auspices of Hosean International Ministry.

He described the group's routine. A typical day finds them up at 6:30 a.m. After breakfast, they and the residents board a bus for the school site. They work, eat lunch, and go back to work until 4, when they have supper. Lights-out is at 10 p.m.

"I'm going again next January for another ten days," he added. "Let me know if you would like to come along."

Raffle pot once again eludes winner

After winning the weekly chance to draw for our club cash raffle, Kay Parries pulled the ace of spades. No luck! The pot grows on.

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, May 30

Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist
 Rotarian of the DayJohn Andreasen
 ProgramRoger Olson, Moorhead Airport Authority
 GreetersRandy Farwell & Matt Thomasson

June 6

Sergeant at ArmsJohn Andreasen
 Rotarian of the Day
 ProgramLes Bakke, "Early Ag in the Valley"
 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

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING 100
YEARS OF FARGO ROTARY.

THURSDAY
JUNE 29TH

5:30 SOCIAL · 6:30 DINNER
7:00 PROGRAM

Radisson Downtown

201 5th Street North
Fargo, ND 58102



TICKETS \$30

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SPACE IS LIMITED!

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