



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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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: PM/FM
5:15 p.m., Lucky 13 Pub
Wednesday: Fargo
Noon, Radisson
Thursday: AM/FM
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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May 7 Marathon director predicts 25,000 runners will participate by 10th anniversary in '14

Tuesday's meeting began with the final excitement of this year's Rotary Travel Raffle, with committee members Violet Deilke and George Davis announcing the winner of the seventh and final trip.

Member Travis Reimche sold the winning travel ticket to Sherry Klemetson, 1734 32nd St. S., Moorhead — a trip for two to Toronto in August. The \$200 cash prize was awarded to Linda Skatvold, wife of Rotarian Paul Skatvold.

Thanks to buying his ticket from Jean Hannig, Fargo dentist John Pollard received a \$100 dining certificate to Monte's.

Do you wish your name were on the list? Don't despair! Next fall we start all over again. In the meantime, proceeds from the annual fund raiser are available for our support of programs for youth. Thanks to all who helped make this year's raffle a success!

Finns are visiting Fargo-Moorhead

George Davis reported that the Finnish GSE



Photos: Vern Goodin, Don Myrvik & Lynne Kovash. Kay Parries and Tom Newberger (FM/AM Rotary). Roland Barden. Travel Committee members Violet Deilke & George Davis.

team is in Fargo-Moorhead this week. In addition to visiting one of the Fargo clubs, the guests will tour West Acres and Bonanzaville, dine with George and members of our club Wednesday and be honored at a reception Friday at Gary and Cindy Nolte's home. They go on to Bismarck Sunday.

Got something to auction (silently)?

Taste of Moorhead plans are proceeding. The committee has finished printing tickets and arranging entertainment for June 13. Now we're looking for donations for the silent auction. Please help us come up with appealing items for this big fund raiser.



(L to R) Ed Wright with Happy Dollars. Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett. Rotarian of the Day Steve Schaefer. Mark Knutson of Fargo Marathon.

Guests

Mark Knutson, Fargo Marathon, guest speaker
Deb Mund & Siri Manning, Fargo Marathon (Steve Schaefer)

Visiting Rotarians

Cliff Hamilton, Fargo West
Yvonne Hamilton, Fargo West
Tom Newberger, FM/AM

Make-Ups

Gary Nolte, Fergus Falls, 5/01
Chuck Matthees, Miracle Field fund-raising committee, last week
David Wahlberg & Violet Deilke, Strive committee, 5/07

Club Statistics, 02/2013

Attendance 52.59%
Membership 67
(1 new member added this month and 1 departure)

May Birthdays

Hannig, Jean May 09
Skatvold, Paul May 11
Tranby, David May 14
Green, David May 20
Moorhead, Tracey May 27

Spouse Birthdays

Vicki Holtan (Paul) May 10
Cheryl Schwandt (Bill) May 15

Wedding Anniversaries

Joppa, Teresa & Norwig, Richard
23 years, May 05, 1990
Goodin, Vern & Helen
41 years, May 20, 1972
Hanna, Robert & Zue Zan
31 years, May 22, 1982
Tunheim, Nick & Ann
9 years, May 22, 2004
Matthees, Charles & Barbara
34 years, May 26, 1979
Schaefer, Steve & Terese
21 years, May 30, 1992

Club Anniversaries

Swenson, Robert — 19 years
May 01, 1994
Monson, Gina — 4 years
May 05, 2009
Barden, Roland — 22 years
May 08, 1991



Photos: Dave Tranby & Paul Dovre. Rotarians at lunch. Newzad Brifki invests in tickets for the weekly membership raffle.

Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett educated the club on its familiar emblem. The Rotary Wheel design features 24 cogs and six spokes — rich in symbolism, including movement forward.

Happy Dollars highlighted the success of the video game, “Star Command,” developed by Dave Tranby’s son — a top seller for iPhone; Gina’s and George’s hosting GSE team members; and Vern’s gardening, as well as the return of Rotary snowbirds Roland Barden and Ed Wright. And after Mike’s medley of “man walked into a bar” jokes, a member offered \$5 if he’d stop.

Fargo Marathon is 8 years old and growing

Rotarian of the Day Steve Schaefer introduced our speaker Mark Knutson, who founded the event 8 years ago and now works with running full-time.

The marathon is governed by a 32-member board, with proceeds going to charitable assistance for area children. The first race in 2005 drew 2,400 runners. Some 21,000 are expected for this year’s event May 15–18; by the 10th annual marathon in 2014, he predicts participation will reach 25,000. Mark said 65 percent of runners come from within a

one- to two-hour radius of Fargo-Moorhead.

About 2,500 volunteers are involved, from planning to race day, including aid stations along the route. FM/AM and Moorhead Rotarians will staff the aid station near Discovery School next week, and volunteers are needed from 7:45 a.m. until about 11 a.m. A sign-up sheet was passed around, with members urged to add their names to the list.

The 5K run (or walk) on Friday evening generates a special bonus. A new pair of new Nikes is given to a needy child for every person who participates. Last year’s marathon raised \$20,000 for shoes.

Mark said security has been doubled, in comparison to the past, and will cover all races, including the youth run Thursday, Friday’s 5K and the marathon Saturday.

Excitement builds as prize pot bulges

Ed Wright’s opportunity to draw a card in our raffle was in vain. With no winner for yet another week, the pot is bulging with bucks — nearly \$1,200 — and the odds are better than ever for a chance to draw the winning card from our dwindling deck next Tuesday.

Looking Forward ... to Upcoming Rotary Meetings

- May 14** ROD George Davis
Program Liz Lynch, new Lake Agassiz Regional Library Director
Greeters Benson & E. Johnson
- May 21** ROD Russ Hanson
Program Carol Cwiak, NDSU Professor of Emergency Management
Greeters Blackhurst and Joppa
- May 28** ROD Teresa Joppa
Program Foreign exchange student Tasha Fiscarina of Indonesia
Greeters Brifki & G. Johnson

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Moorhead Rotary to host University of Minnesota Gopher Caravan June 18 ... so invite a guest or two to our meeting!

They're coming, they're coming! For the first time, the University of Minnesota's Gopher Caravan is coming to Moorhead. Athletic Director Norwood Teague and most of the top coaches will be speaking at our meeting on Tuesday, June 18. Get ready to invite your friends.

The university has once again invited our club to host the local lunch on its statewide tour. Each of us can invite one or two interested guests **at no cost to our club**. The U is picking up the cost of our guests' lunches.

The program includes an all-star Gopher coaching line-up:

- Norwood Teague, U of M Athletic Director
- Jessica Allister, Head Softball Coach
- John Anderson, Head Baseball Coach
- Mike Burns, Head Gymnastics Coach
- John Carlson, Head Men's Gold Coach
- Wendy Davis, Head Rowing Coach
- Sarah Hesser, Women's Cross Country Coach
- Hugh McCutcheon, Head Volleyball Coach
- Chuck Merzbacher, Head Women's Tennis Coach
- Richard Pition, new Head Men's Basketball Coach

You may have already received an email or mailed invitation from the University Relations office encouraging you to make a reservation online or by telephone. Please do so, including your guests' names and contact information. We need to get an idea how many the hotel should plan for that day. We're hoping for 200 in attendance.

For more information and to register, go to www.MyGopherSports.com

Planning committee: Russ Hanson, Dr. Jerry Rogers & Jason Davis

