



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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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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This week's program: David Alvarez talks about the multidisciplinary program he founded, Centro Cristiano Cultural de Guatemala.

Project HERO rescues usable medical equipment, supplies, for 3rd world mission

Past president Cindy Nolte stepped in for President Jon Benson, who was stranded by bad weather in Colorado. Observing Veterans Day, she asked Rotarians who are veterans to stand to be recognized, while Vern Goodin led the group in "America the Beautiful."

New treasurer Doreen Filler saluted

Cindy offered the club's special thanks to Doreen Filler, our new treasurer, who has taken over the reins of financial management.

Christmas party scheduled at Bluestem

Moorhead Rotary's annual holiday party is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 16. It will take the place of our regular noon meeting; the party counts for attendance purposes.

The party will again be hosted at the Bluestem Center for the Arts (Trollwood) in south Moorhead. After a social from 6 to 7:30 p.m., a formal dinner will be served by the Concordia Food Service, which also caters our weekly meetings.

The program features Dr. Anne Blackhurst, president of Minnesota State University Moorhead. Our regular accompanist Sharon Fangsrud will be featured on the piano during



Photos: Past President Cindy Nolte. Song leader Vern Goodin. Veterans stand to be honored on Veterans Day. Sergeant at Arms Gina Monson. Gary Nolte reports on Polio Plus. Ty Hegland of Project HERO describes the local group's relief work.

the social hour, with after-dinner vocal music by the Moorhead High School Carolers.

If you can volunteer to help with a few party details, please talk to Cindy or Russ Hanson.

Polio Plus donations total \$1,400

Rotary Foundation representative Gary Nolte announced that Moorhead Rotarians donated a total of \$1,400 to Rotary International's Polio Plus project in recent weeks, including both members' gifts and an anonymous match.



Singing "America the Beautiful" in honor of Veterans Day. George Davis pulls a card in the weekly raffle. Alma Cater & Jill Baldwin.

Guests, Nov. 11

Gary Lee & Ty Hegland, Project HERO
Trudy Romfo, guest of John Riewer

Visiting Rotarians

Tom Moore, FM/AM Rotary

Makeups

Doreen Filler, Dictionary Project (Hutterite colony)
Mark Bertilrud, Violet Deilke & Josh Frosh, Trave Committee, 11-03
George Davis, Violet Deilke, Russ Hanson, Alma Cater, Travel Committee, 11-07

November Birthdays

Wahlberg, David Nov 02
Hetland, Dale Nov 03
Matthees, Charles Nov 08
McLarnan, Rod Nov 08
Nolte, Gary Nov 28

Anniversaries

Farwell, Randy & Sherri Nov 02
23 years
Benson, Jon & Jessica Nov 11
12 years
Swenson, Robert & Cindy Nov 14
33 years
Barden, Roland & Carolyn Nov 25
47 years
Monson, Gina & Dave Nov 30
18 years

Club Anniversaries

Rogers, Jerry 29 years
Nov 05 1985
Woods, William 10 years
Nov 05 2004
Davis, George 24 years
Nov 06 1990
Hanson, Russ 7 years
Nov 06 2007
Hanna, Bob 26 years
Nov 08 1988
Moorhead, Tracey 22 years
Nov 10 1992
Hulett, Michael 26 years
Nov 22 1988
Riewer, Jon 11 years
Nov 25 2003
Tranby, David 28 years
Nov 25 1986
Joppa, Teresa 13 years
Nov 27 2001

Noltes invite Rotarians to help celebrate

Cindy Nolte invited Rotarians one and all to join her and Gary to celebrate his 69th birthday on Nov. 28, the day after Thanksgiving. They're hosting an open house beginning at 4 p.m. in their home at 117 38th Ave. S. The Noltes are also celebrating 45 years of marriage this year.

Sergeant at Arms salutes club's vets

Sergeant at Arms Gina Monson invited the 15 Rotarians and guest who served in the armed forces to share the dates and locations of their service. She quizzed members on facts about America's vets, including their number (about 20 million, including 1.6 million women veterans). The greatest number of deaths occurred during the Civil War, not the 20th century conflicts.

Veteran Rod McLarnan, who is 88, dedicated his happy dollars to the care of returning veterans originally provided by the Mayo brothers of Minnesota. Others expressed gratitude for Moorhead's quality of life, Project HERO, the MHS play "Chicago" (with grandkids in the troupe) and, of course, many

simply in appreciation of our veterans.

Project HERO gathers medical supplies

More than \$2 million worth of health-care equipment that would otherwise be wasted is turned into a blessing each year by Project HERO (Healthcare Equipment Recycling Operation), says Ty Hegland, its executive director. The nonprofit was founded in 1996 by the local Association of Operating Room Nurses, who were tired of watching perfectly good, useful supplies and equipment being thrown away.

About 3,000 people in need were served in 2013 during HERO's 50 mission trips to every continent except Antarctica. Nearly 150,000 pounds of supplies and equipment was gathered from Sanford, Essentia, Eventide, Bethany, CCRI and hospitals in Bismarck, Minot and the Twin Cities. The group's annual budget of \$340,000 generates an impact of \$925,000. Ty said HEROt accepts donations of wheelchairs, crutches, braces, lift chairs, walkers, fitness equipment and medical devices, as well as unopened supplies. For more information on how to help the locally based group, visit www.herofargo.org.

Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Sergeant at Arms:G Monson
ROD:Violet Deilke
Program:David Alvares, founder of Centro Christiano Cultural de Guatemala
Greeters:Hagemann & Schaffer

Program:Rotarian Dave Sederquist, "Xcel Energy: Preparing for the Future"
Greeters:Hannig & Skatvold

Tuesday, Nov. 25

Sergeant at Arms:E Johnson
ROD:Russ Hanson
Program:Ashley Ladbury, "The Lost Art of Listening"
Greeters:Hanna & Schwandt

Tuesday, Dec. 9

ROD: Violet Deilke
Program:Mark and Pam Bertilrud, "Our Travels to Africa"
Greeters:Hetland & Stauffer

Tuesday, Dec. 16 — Christmas Party
...No regular meeting at noon...

Dinner at Bluestem/Trollwood Center for the Arts Social 6-7:30 p.m.; dinner cated by Concordia Holiday Program:Anne Blackhurst
Music:Moorhead High Carolers

Tuesday, Dec. 2

Sergeant at Arms:J Hannig
ROD:Russ Hanson

Tuesday, Dec. 23 — no meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 30 — regular time & place