



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary
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Club 970
District 5580

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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: 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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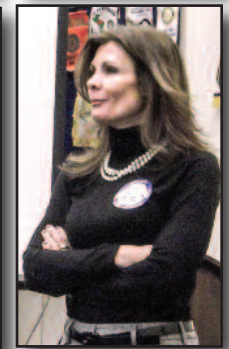


Nov. 12

United Way, Moorhead schools work together to improve lives of children living in poverty

President Cindy Nolte welcomed Rotarians and guests, who joined in singing “America the Beautiful” under Vern Goodin’s direction.

George Davis, Ron Kolb and Jon Riewer.
President Cindy.
Sergeant at Arms Jon Benson.
ROD Teresa Joppa.
Speakers Thomas Hill & Robin Grooters. **Photos by Gary Nolte**



Reviewing upcoming events

The president reminded us of upcoming events:

- Board meeting Wednesday (see notes below)
- Christmas collection for area charities Dec. 3
- Winter party Dec. 10 at Trollwood. Sign up now!

She urged members to support Fargo Rotarian Russ Richards’ organization Re-Build Together by voting Saturday. It’s one of two charities competing that day for a pick-up given by Toyota.

Observing Armistice/Veterans Day

Sergeant at Arms Jon Benson reminded us that Veterans Day, established in 1938, originally commemorated the treaty at the end of World War I. He said there are 2.3 million veterans in the U.S. today. Appropriately, Jon had the Peace Coin that day.

Happy dollars were collected for those who served, travels to warmer climes, marriage anniversaries, grandchildren, Concordia’s Nobel Peace Prize speaker on nuclear war and conflict, and other positive news.

Despite economic boom, poverty prevails for 13% of children & adults in F-M area

Rotarian of the Day Teresa Joppa introduced Thomas Hill of the United Way and Robin Grooters, who leads Moorhead schools’ early learner services. Tom noted that North Dakota’s economy is growing faster than China’s, with an unemployment rate of 3.1% that’s the lowest in the nation ... yet 13 percent of our population

Notes from the Board Meeting

No future FES students will be placed with the Moorhead Club unless host families for the entire term are in place in advance of the student’s arrival. (This decision was made at our board meeting Nov. 6.)

President Cindy noted that she will ask greeters to become ticket sellers at weekly meetings. She also asks each week’s designated greeters find subs if they are unable to attend when scheduled.

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Guests

Thomas Hill, United Way
Robin Grooters, Moorhead Public Schools
Jonathan Junge, FES

Visiting Rotarians

Rachel Clarke, Fargo West

Make-Ups

Gary & Cindy Nolte: Bemidji
Noon, 11/04; Walker &
Bemidji Sunrise, 11/05; Park
Rapids, 11/06; Foundation
Dinner, 11/05

Top Ticket Sellers in Travel Giveaway

Violet Deilke (40)
Russ Hanson (23)
Randy Farwell (22)
Neil Qualey (17)
Noel Moore (12)
Gary Nolte (12)
Dave Sederquist (12)

*Our seven top sellers and
their spouses have
earned invitations to Sam
Wai's annual wine dinner.*

November Birthdays

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

Wedding Anniversaries

Farwell, Randy & Sherri	Nov 02
Benson, Jon & Jessica	Nov 11
Swenson, Bob & Lucinda	Nov 14
Barden, Roland & Carolyn	Nov 25
Monson, Gina & Dave	Nov 30

Club Anniversaries

Szymanski, Michael	4 years
	Nov 03, 2009
Rogers, Jerry	28 years
	Nov 05, 1985
Woods, William	9 years
	Nov 05, 2004
Davis, George	23 years
	Nov 06, 1990
Hanson, Russ	6 years
	Nov 06, 2007
Hanna, Bob	25 years
	Nov 08, 1988
Moorhead, Tracey	21 years
	Nov 10, 1992
Hulett, Michael	25 years
	Nov 22, 1988
Riewer, Jon	10 years
	Nov 25, 2003
Tranby, David	27 years
	Nov 25, 1986
Joppa, Teresa	12 years
	Nov 27, 2001

lives in poverty, facing hunger and lack of adequate shelter. "Kids in poverty have much lower test scores in school from Day One," he said. Poverty and homelessness are the biggest contributor to low school achievement. One-fourth of the adults who are homeless today first face homelessness as children.

One in five children in Clay County lives in poverty, he said — but focusing on education can break the cycle. "We need to look holistically at children and their homes and families," the United Way rep said.

Robin reported that the United Way has partnered Moorhead School District on Keys to Kindergarten, a local program to get kids ready for school. Like Head Start, it establishes an early foundation for children

who need special help to succeed in school. United Way supports pre-kindergarten services and plans for summer services. Services are also available for parents so they can help ready their children for education.

"Early investment in kids means we'll build fewer prisons later," she said. Member Stacey Ackerman noted a Federal Reserve study that shows that every dollar invested in early childhood learned returns \$17 in value to the community.

Raffle pot continues to elude a winner

Tracey Moorhead's winning raffle ticket earned her a chance to draw for the week's pot of \$273 ... but luck wasn't with her. The pot grows on.

Looking Forward ... to Upcoming Rotary Meetings

Nov. 19

ROD
Program
Greeters

Sergeant at Arms J Benson
Dave Wahlberg
Rotarian Anne Blackhurst, MSUM Provost/Sr. Vice Pres., Acad. Affairs.
Leiseth & Suomala

Nov. 26

ROD
Program
Greeters

Sergeant at Arms M Hulett
Russ Hanson
Jess Steinbrenner, Exec. Dir. of the MN/ND Alzheimer's Ass
Leiseth & Swenson

Dec. 3

ROD
Program
Greeters

Sergeant at Arms E Wilkie
Annual Collection of Charitable Donations
Violet Deilke
Matt Masolowski, director of Moorhead Business Retention &
Development Office for City of Moorhead
Luther & Tranby

Dec. 10

ROD
Program
Greeters

Sergeant at Arms J Benson
Christmas Message by Dr. Paul Dovre
Matthees and Tunheim

Dec. 10

Annual Rotary Holiday Party at Bluestem Center at Trollwood
Italian menu catered by The Speakeasy|
Special message by Dr. Bill Craft, president of Concordia College
Entertainment by Oak Grove Choir

Dec. 17

Program
ROD
Greeters

Sergeant at Arms T Joppa
Meet at **OFFUTT CENTER FOR BUSINESS** at Concordia
for lunch and tours
Eric Johnson
McLarnan & Wahlberg

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 2014