



# 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 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.*

**Moorhead Rotary**  
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**This week:** Rod McLarnan is Rotarian of the Day, introducing Julie Rivenes, our Salvation Army speaker, who'll talk about all that the nonprofit does in Fargo-Moorhead. Dave Sederquist is sergeant at arms, and Chuck Hendrickson and David Keller are greeters.

### Water manager explains the excellence of Moorhead underground water supply

Welcoming members and visitors, President Lynne Kovash opened the floor for two important announcements.

Gary Nolte talked about the need for warm men's clothing for residents of local homeless shelters, especially in sizes large and extra-large. He requested that members clean out their closets and bring their donations to our meeting on Tuesday. Especially needed: coats, boots, snowmobile suits. He'll gather the donations next week and deliver them to the shelters.

Corey Elmer reminded members to sign up for the club Christmas party, to be held at his home on Thursday, Dec. 8. He and wife Brenda live on the south edge of Moorhead at 4856 Seconde St. SW. An assessment of \$20 per member will appear on members' December dues statements.

Lynne reported from the meeting of the five F-M Rotary presidents that the clubs are seeking to put together a PR committee. Volunteers are welcome! She also praised MHS theatre students and our exchange student, Erhard,



*Photos (Russ Hanson): (From top left) Saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary Nolte asks members to bring men's clothing for local homeless shelters. President Lynne Kovash. Corey Elmer invites Rotarians to suggest new members. (Above) MPS Water Manager Kris Knutson explains why Moorhead's water tastes so good.*

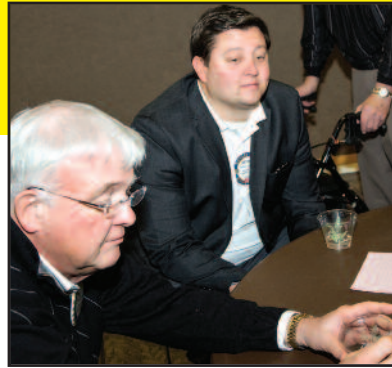
who's part of the cast of "Little Shop of Horrors" — and also a member of the MHS Carolers.

MPS director Bill Schwandt led the club in "Singin' in the Rain" in honor of our program by water manager Kris Knutson.

Sergeant Eric shares 'Rotary minute'

Sergeant at Arms Eric Johnson shared a "Rotary minute" about supporting small farmers and community markets, reflecting an article in the Rotarian magazine. He also noted that the U.S. is down to 30,000 native turkeys from the 7 million that once inhabited the land.

Happy dollars were collected for the production of "Little Shop of Horrors," a daughter's move out on her own, and "just to be happy."



Photos: (from left) Bill Woods, speaker Kris Knutson & Dave Sederquist. Jerry Rogers & Nathan Johnson. Troy Nellis & Eric Johnson. Guest Tom Stadum & John Andreasen.

**Guests November 22**

FES Erhard Hochörtler  
Tom Stadum, guest of John Andreasen  
Kristofer Knutson & Travis Schmidt,  
Moorhead Public Service

**November Birthdays**

- Wahlberg, David Nov 02
- Hetland, Dale Nov 03
- Matthees, Charles Nov 08
- McLarnan, Rod Nov 08
- Moore, Steve Nov 18
- Nolte, Gary Nov 28

**Anniversarie**

- Farwell, Randy & Sherri Nov 02 1991  
25 years
- Benson, Jon & Jessica Nov 11 2002  
14 years
- Swenson, Robert & Lucinda Nov 14  
35 years
- Monson, Gina & Dave Nov 30 1996  
20 years

**Rotary Anniversaries**

- Rogers, Jerry 31 years  
Nov 05 1985
- Woods, William 12 years  
Nov 05 2004
- Hanson, Russ 9 years  
Nov 06 2007
- Hanna, Bob 28 years  
Nov 08 1988
- Moorhead, Tracey 24 years  
Nov 10 1992
- Hulett, Michael 28 years  
Nov 22 1988
- Riewer, Jon 13 years  
Nov 25 2003
- Tranby, Dave 30 years  
Nov 25 1986
- Joppa, Teresa 15 years  
Nov 27 2001

**Water manager advises, 'Don't take our great Moorhead water for granted!'**

Rotarian of the Day Bill Schwandt introduced our speaker, Kristofer Knutson, water division manager for Moorhead Public Service.

"We often take the quality of our water for granted," Kris told the group. "But Moorhead is unique among Minnesota cities, which makes the difference. We use ozone in treating our water."

Eighty percent of Moorhead's water now comes from the Red River, 16 percent from the Buffalo Aquifer, and 4 percent from a second aquifer. Knutson said that, even though Moorhead has grown dramatically in

recent years, total water consumption has actually been flat due to conservation efforts. An investment of \$15 to \$25 million will be needed in the future, however, to expand the capacity of water drawn from the Buffalo Aquifer.



Moorhead has withdrawn from a cooperative project with Fargo and Grand Forks to bring Missouri River water eastward. Knutson noted that costs are considerably less for drawing from the Buffalo aquifer, which contains 200 million gallons of water.

Weekly raffle fails to snag

a winner

Past president Eric Wilkie purchased the moderately lucky ticket in the club's weekly raffle. It didn't turn into real good luck, however; after drawing a losing card, Eric took home the \$5 consolation prize.

**Looking Ahead**

**Tuesday, Nov. 29**

Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist  
Rotarian of the Day .....Rod McLarnan  
Program..... Julie Rivenes: Salvation Army  
and Its Good Works  
Greeters ..... Chuck Hendrickson & David Keller

**Tuesday, Dec. 6**

Sergeant at Arms .....  
Rotarian of the Day .....Russ Hanson  
Program.....MHS Carolers  
Greeters ..... Dale Hetland & Ron Kolb

**Thursday, Dec. 8 — Christmas Party**

Home of Corey & Brenda Elmer, 4856 Second St SW, Moorhead. (Attendance counts as

meeting.)

**Tuesday, Dec. 13**

Sergeant at Arms .....  
Rotarian of the Day .....Lynne Kovash  
Program....Kathy Brekke and MHS Choral Jazz  
Greeters .....Paul Holtan & Chuck Matthees

**Tuesday, Dec. 20**

Sergeant at Arms .....  
Rotarian of the Day .....Eric Johnson  
Program ..... Paul Dovre's annual Christmas  
message  
Greeters ..... Greg Johnson & Rod McLarnan

**Tuesday, Dec. 27 — no meeting**