



# 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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**This week's program:** David & Fabiola Alvares talk about the program they founded, Centro Christiano Cultural de Guatemala.

### Moorhead Business Association works to keep Moorhead positive & growing

"Happy Days Are Here Again" was song leader Vern Goodin's selection to open our Election Day meeting. It was either intended to strike an optimistic note for those of any political persuasion, he said — or express universal relief at the end of political ads.

### Winners announced in year's first Charity Travel Raffle drawings

Travel raffle chairwoman Violet Deilke and committee member Alma Cater added a note of excitement with their announcement of November's winners. The fortunate trio included two who bought tickets from Corey Elmer, though not Corey himself. Brenda Blazer of Bismarck won one of the year's hottest trips, a sojourn in Cancun, Mexico. Tami Norgard, another of his customers, was awarded a \$100 dining certificate to Moorhead's new Rustica restaurant. Mari Dovre, wife of ticket-seller Paul Dovre, received \$200 in cash.

The club's top ticket-sellers competed for tickets to a variety of local events as incentives for ticket sales:

- Noel Moore, Straw Hat Players season tickets
- Randy Farwell, Concordia Christmas concert
- Russ Hanson, NDSU basketball



Photos: Pianist Sharon Fangsrud. Song leader Vern Goodin. President Jon Benson. Violet Deilke & Alma Cater unveil winners of first Travel Raffle prizes. Sergeant at Arms Eric Wilkie. Speaker Les Stenerson of the Moorhead Business Association. PHOTOS BY GARY NOLTE.

- Jean Hannig, Gate City Theater
- Violet Deilke, Trollwood 2015 musical
- Noel Moore, 10 MSUM basketball tickets
- Randy Farwell, F-M Symphony Orchestra
- Invitations to Sam Wai's gourmet wine dinner (based on selling 12 or more tickets): Mark Bertilrud, Neil Qualey, Randy Farwell, Russ Hanson, Jean Hannig & Violet Deilke.

### Polio campaign gifts qualify for match

Gary Nolte reported that 11 Moorhead Rotarians have qualified for matching gifts to Rotary International's Polio Plus. Each of their \$100 gifts has been matched by an anonymous donor, as well as Bill Gates himself on the national level.

Jean Hannig, who chairs District 5580's youth exchange program, told members about her experience last week in Long Prairie, Minn. She and other Rotarians were on hand to help exchange student Pakin Sachaphilmulkh's

## Visitors, Nov. 4

Pam Bertilrud  
Les Stenerson, speaker

## Makeups

Eric Wilkie, Fargo Rotary, 2x  
Jean Hannig, Long Prairie, MN  
Cindy & Gary Nolte, FM/PM and  
Pelican Rapids Rotary clubs  
Barb Belcher, Dave Wahlberg, Riley  
Rude, Holly Miller & Mark  
Bertilrud, STRIVE meeting



Dale Stenerson & secretary Teresa Joppa. Jean Hannig reports on Long Prairie visit. (Below) Eric Johnson draws a losing card for raffle.

## 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	

parents after his death in a car accident.

## Happy dollars abound

Sergeant at Arms Eric Wilkie collected happy dollars celebrating a wide variety of good news — 12th and 33rd wedding anniversaries, interesting travel, football wins (and losses), and an impending family visit home spurred by the upcoming Concordia Christmas concert.

## MBA stands up for Moorhead businesses

Rotarian of the Day Violet Deilke introduced fourth-generation Moorhead businessman Les Stenerson, who heads the three-year-old Moorhead Business Association. Les, a former Rotarian, reported that 812 private Moorhead businesses employ about 11,500 people.

The MBA was formed to bring back Moorhead's individual identity after the merger of the local chambers of commerce. It evolved through the Economic Development

Corporation, which provided venture capital. Today it pays a portion of development director Matt Maslowski's salary through membership dues and donations. His role is to serve as a liaison between the business community and the city.



The MBA sponsors weekly "Let's Talk Business" breakfasts on Wednesday that are attended by 25 to 35 business regulars, as well as Thursday evening meetings called "5/60 Connect." Those social events give business owners a chance to meet and talk about their companies.

Among the group's successes was advocating to reopen the I-94 ramps that had been closed by the state. It actively defends the city against periodic waves of "Moorhead bashing," stressing its many positives. He added, "St. Paul really doesn't understand the problems of doing business on the Minnesota/North Dakota border."

## Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

### Tuesday, Nov. 11

Sergeant at Arms:.....G Monson  
ROD: .....Violet Deilke  
Program: .....David & Fabiola Alvares,  
founders of Centro Christiano Cultural de  
Guatemala  
Greeters:.....Goodin & Schaeffer

### Tuesday, Nov. 18

Sergeant at Arms: .....G Monson  
ROD: .....Gary Nolte  
Program: .....Ty Hagland, director of HERO  
Greeters: .....Hagemann & Schaffer

### Tuesday, Nov. 25

Sergeant at Arms:.....E Johnson  
ROD: .....Russ Hanson  
Program:.....Ashley Ladbury, "The Lost Art

of Listening"  
Greeters:.....Hanna & Schwandt

### Tuesday, Dec. 2

Sergeant at Arms:.....J Hannig  
ROD: .....Russ Hanson  
Program: .....Rotarian Dave Sederquist,  
"Xcel Energy: Preparing for the Future"  
Greeters:.....Hannig & Skatvold

### Tuesday, Dec. 9

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

### Tuesday, Dec. 16

Sergeant at Arms:.....D Sederquist  
Holiday Program: .....Anne Blackhurst,  
.....plus music by Moorhead High Carolers  
Greeters:.....Hulett & Stenerson

*Do you have program ideas for 2015? Please share them with program chairman Russ Hanson — [russ@hansonphoto.com](mailto:russ@hansonphoto.com)*