



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Welcome Our New Members!



Patrick Lorenson
President,
Ramsey State
Bank
New Member #1



Brett Drevlow
District
Executive,
Northern Lights
Council, Boy
Scouts of
America
New Member #2



Liz Brandenburg
Marketing Dir.
Northwestern
Bank
New Member #3



Rob Mounts
Sr. Portfolio Mgr.
Bremer Bank
New Member #4



Roger Erbes
Market President
American
Federal Bank
New Member #5



Alex Ohman
Development
Officer
Dakota Boys &
Girls Ranch
New Member #6



Heidi Olson-Fitzgerald
Physicians
Assistant
Essentia Health
New Member #7



Sharon Fangsrud
Pianist
& Rotary
Accompanist
New Member #8



Chris Volkers
Moorhead City
Manager
New Member #9



Scott Wilkie
Avis Rent a Car
New Member #10



This week's meeting: University of Minnesota Regent Tom Anderson addresses Moorhead Rotary this week. Jon Benson is sergeant at arms, and Troy Nellis is Rotarian of the Day. Liz Brandenburg & Brad Donabauer are our greeters.

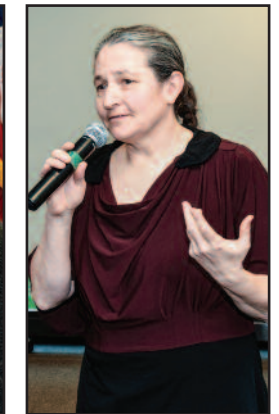
NDSU Ag Econ professor shares stories from Chinese teaching adventure

President Corey Elmer welcomed our newest members, including John Andreasen's guest Brent Brant, who has just turned in an applications. Others included past district governors Herb Schmidt and Tom Riley, who introduced another guest — Christian Harris, who has just been named one of 24 Rotary Peace Scholars.

Corey announced that Abby Thornberg, whom our club sponsored, has been accepted as a Rotary exchange student. She will find out her destination in January.

Dictionary project has been wrapped up

Dictionary chair Russ Hanson reported that, as of that morning's visit to Dilworth Elementary, the club's 2017 dictionary project has been completed. He thanked Bill Woods, Brett Drevlow, Tim Beaton and Gary Gonser, who helped with the final deliveries since last week's meeting, along with all those who helped in previous weeks. "It's the most rewarding experience I've had in Rotary," Russ said. "Nothing else comes close." A total of 893 books, each labeled with a student's name, were distributed in 42 classrooms.



Photos/Russ Hanson: A surprise chicken delivered Halloween treats to exchange student Rei Yajima and other Rotarians. President Corey Elmer. Sergeant at Arms Bob Hanna. Rotarian of the Day Troy Nellis. Speaker Cheryl Wachenheim.

Travel raffle draws to successful conclusion

Travel Giveaway chair Violet Deilke reported that all but 10 tickets had been sold, but predicted, "We will be selling out." Then a remarkable display of Rotary spirit exploded.

Sergeant at Arms Bob Hanna fined Corey for telling his guest that he was buying her lunch — while it's picked up by the club. Then Corey said he'd pay the fine ... by buying one of the remaining tickets for the winner of the day's meeting raffle, Jill Baldwin.

Then, in quick succession, five more purchased some of the remaining tickets, including Anne Blackhurst, who bought one for Corey; Bob Hanna, who then bought one for Anne; Jean Hannig, who purchased a ticket for guest Christian Harris; Brad Donabauer; and Teresa Joppa.

Guests, 10-31-17

Brent Brant, guest of John Andreasen
Cheryl Wachenheim, speaker
Deanne Lien, guest of Corey Elmer
Rei Yajima, FES
Christian Harris

Visiting Rotarians

Herb Schmidt, PDG, FM AM Rotary

November Birthdays

Wahlberg, David	Nov 02
Hetland, Dale	Nov 03
Matthees, Charles	Nov 08
McLarnan, Rod	Nov 08
Paulsen, Joel	Nov 16
Nolte, Gary	Nov 28

Wedding Anniversaries

Farwell, Randy & Sherri	Nov 02 1991	26 years
Benson, Jon & Jessica	Nov 11 2002	15 years
Monson, Gina & Dave	Nov 30 1996	21 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Rogers, Jerry	32 years
Nov 05 1985	
Woods, William	13 years
Nov 05 2004	
Hanson, Russ	10 years
Nov 06 2007	
Hanna, Bob	29 years
Nov 08 1988	
Moorhead, Tracey	25 years
Nov 10 1992	
Hulett, Michael	29 years
Nov 22 1988	
Riewer, Jon	14 years
Nov 25 2003	
Tranby, Dave	31 years
Nov 25 1986	
Joppa, Teresa	16 years
Nov 27 2001	

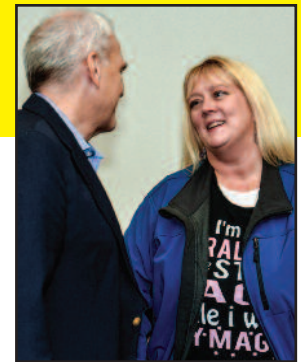
Moorhead Rotary
Chartered May 1, 1921
Club 970
District 5580

President	Corey Elmer
President-Elect	
Secretary & Paddlewheel reporter	David Wahlberg
Treasurer	Doreen Filler
Past President	Eric Wilkie
Director	Dale Hetland
Director	David Sederquist
Director	Tammy Finney
Director	John Andreasen
Director	Gary Gonser
Director	Troy Nellis
RYLA Coord.	Randy Farwell
Polio Plus Coord	Cindy Nolte
Sergeant at Arms Team	
	Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson, Mike Hulett & Jean Hannig
Pianist	Sharon Fangsrud
Song Leaders	Bill Schwandt, Bob Hanna, John Andreasen
Photographer	Russ Hanson
Meeting Reporter	Teresa Joppa
Paddlewheel Editor	
	Nancy Edmonds Hanson

Other F-M Rotary Meetings

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

Moorhead Rotary
P.O. Box 72
Moorhead, MN 56561



Photos/Russ Hanson: Christian Harris and past district governors Tom Riley and Herb Schmidt. Jill Baldwin and President Corey, who surprised her with a travel raffle ticket. Bob Hanna and guest Deanne Lien.

Service project is coming up on Tuesday before Thanksgiving

Dale Hetland announced that, instead of the regular meeting, Rotarians will spend our meeting time Nov. 21 at the Great Plains Food Bank. A minimum of 25 Rotarians are needed to help package Thanksgiving food deliveries for area families.

Volunteers will meet at the warehouse at 1720 Third Ave. N. in Fargo from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Happy dollars highlight good news

Sergeant Bob Hanna collected the day's happy dollars. Eric Johnson offered one for a 91-year-old veteran he met wearing a cap that identified him as a crewmember of U.S. Navy Landing Ship Tank (LST) 700. John Andreasen honored the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Dave Sederquist saluted the talents of piano player Sharon Fangsrud. Anne Blackhurst celebrated MSUM's first doctoral program, an Ed.D. in educational leadership.

NDSU professor recounts family's experience during Chinese sojourn

Rotarian of the Day Troy Nellis introduced

Dr. Cheryl Wachenheim, a Moorhead resident who teaches in the department of agribusiness and applied economics at North Dakota State University. Cheryl, who is also a member of the National Guard, has returned with her family after a year of teaching in China as the recipient of a Fulbright scholarship.

She brought her 14- and 15-year-old children along to give them an international experience. "We saw for ourselves that people in China are people just like everyone else," Cheryl said.

She told of how changes can come quickly in the Communist nation. The government wanted to eliminate dense smog while hosting the World Track and Field Championship. To solve the problem, it shut down regional factories and gave everyone vacation. Blue skies quickly replaced grey.

Cheryl said that while many Chinese speak English, literal English-Chinese translations can lead to some hilarious menu selections, like Big Much Chicken and the Roasted Intestines. She observed exit signs that had been translated as "Get Out of Here." The education system is very strict, she added, requiring students learn to read, write and understand spoken English.

Looking Ahead

November 7

Sergeant at ArmsJon Benson
Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis
ProgramUniversity of Minnesota Regent
Tom Anderson
Greeters... Liz Brandenburg & Brad Donabauer

November 14

Sergeant at ArmsJean Hannig
Rotarians of the DayEric Wilkie
& John Andreasen
ProgramRotary Showcase
Greeters John Shockley & Randy Farwell

November 21— Great Plains Food Bank

No regular noon meeting

25 volunteers needed!11 a.m.—12:45 p.m.
1720 3rd Ave N, Fargo

November 28

Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist
Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis
Program.....Mariah Prussia, Mixed Martial Arts
Greeters Doreen Filler & Ray Erbes