



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



This week's meeting: Artist/calligrapher Anne Kaese introduces the Hjemkomst Center's biggest art exhibit ever, the original folios of the St. John's Bible. Eric Johnson is sergeant at arms; Troy Nellis, Rotarian of the Day; and Chuck Hendrickson and Bill Craft, greeters.
NOTE: All ticket sales are due today!

New MSUM admissions director is reaching out to region's high schoolers

President Corey Elmer opened Tuesday's meeting with big news: Member Emily Gess has given birth to a son, Graham Gess.

Travel ticket sellers win incentives

Alma Cater and Ray Grefsheim of the travel giveaway committee reported that, as of last Tuesday, 225 tickets remain to be sold. All ticket sales must be turned in by Oct. 24.

Members who had already sold and turned in eight tickets were eligible for a drawing for half a dozen incentive prizes. The winners:

- 2 tickets to the FargoDome: Theresa Joppa
- Tickets to next season at Trollwood: Randy Farwell
- Straw Hat Theater season tickets: Violet Deilke
- 2 tickets to any MSUM sporting event: Russ Hanson
- Nov 25 MSUM basketball game: Gary Nolte



Photos/Tammy Finney: Song leader Eric Johnson directs a rendition of "R-O-T-A-R-Y." Travel Raffle committee members Alma Cater and Ray Grefsheim. (Left) Tom Reburn, MSUM's new director of undergraduate admissions.

- Concordia Christmas concert: Corey Elmer
- FM Symphony: Gary Nolte

Dictionary distribution to wrap up this week

Club volunteers Joel Paulsen, Ray Grefsheim, Gary Nolte, Ron Kolb and Jerry Rogers are helping Russ Hanson and Gary Gonsler distribute dictionaries to our third graders this week. We need more volunteers to help with the six remaining schools: Ellen Hopkins and Dorothy Dodds Schools, today; Dilworth and Glyndon-Felton, Wednesday; and Barnesville

The Board of Directors has received a membership application from Christina Volkers, Moorhead city manager. She has been sponsored by Violet Deilke. Chris will be welcomed into membership after seven days allowed for comments. She is our ninth new member.



Guests, 10-17-17

Tom Reburn, MSUM, speaker
 Teresa Harland, guest of Eric Johnson
 Jerry McSorley Jr.

October Birthdays

Wai, Samuel Oct 03
 Mounts, Rob Oct 08
 Hanson, Russ Oct 23
 Johnson, Gregory Oct 28
 Kolb, Ronald Oct 29

Wedding Anniversaries

Gess, Emily & David Oct 04 2008
 9 years
 Hulett, Michael & Janie Oct 04 1985
 32 years
 Elmer, Corey & Brenda Oct 05 1996
 21 years
 Wright, Edgar & Virginia Oct 09 1954
 63 years
 Moore, Noel & Thomas Oct 12 1996
 21 years
 Hannig, Jean & Jeff Oct 24 1972
 45 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Andreasen, John 25 years
 Oct 01 1992
 Suomala, Paul 21 years
 Oct 01 1996
 Johnson, Eric 5 years
 Oct 02 2012
 McLarnan, Rod 35 years
 Oct 05 1982
 Benson, Jon 10 years
 Oct 09 2007
 Donabauer, Brad 4 years
 Oct 22 2013
 Johnson, Nathan 1 year
 Oct 25 2016

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 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 Hettland
 Director David Sederquist
 Director Tammy Finney
 Director John Andreasen
 Director Gary Gonsler
 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

If you attend meetings of any of these clubs, just check in. We have a reciprocal agreement.

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Photos/Tammy Finney: Rotarian of the Day Troy Nellis. President Corey Elmer

and Hawley, Friday. (The last four are tentative.) If you can help at one or more of these fun presentations, let Russ know: 218-790-1489; russ@hansonphoto.com

Another service opportunity — helping the Great Plains Food Bank pack food for distribution — comes up soon.

Sarge Troy highlights obscure holidays

Sergeant at Arms Troy Nellis saluted four upcoming holidays, including National Spreadsheet Day, Wear Something Gaudy Day and Chocolate Cupcake Day, all Oct. 17; National Evaluate Your Life Day Oct. 19, and National Information Overload and Waiter Days, Oct. 20.

He collected happy dollars for other big events: Dave Sederquist’s wife’s induction into the Dragon Hall of Fame for cross-country excellence; Gary Nolte’s observation that, behind every successful man, is “a surprised mother-in-law;” Eric Johnson for the pleasure of working with guest Teresa Harland for nine years; Eric Wilkie for attending last weekend’s Vikings game; Ron Kolb’s regrets for picking on the sergeant; Violet Deilke’s confidence that the club will step up and sell all 400 tickets for this year’s Travel Giveaway.

Troy introduced speaker Tom Reburn, Minnesota State University Moorhead’s new director of undergraduate admissions. Tom recalled how, last April, he was at the



University of Northern Iowa waiting for a call with a job offer and thinking about the challenge of a potential move with his wife and four small children. Now, he said, he and his family are delighted to be a part of the Moorhead community.

Tom recounted how, as they were moving into their new south Moorhead home, their 3-year-old son recollected that this new town was home to the Moorhead Spuds. “We’re baked potatoes! We’re baked potatoes,” he crowed excitedly.

MSUM’s official 30-day enrollment numbers for this fall show the overall head count is up 1.67 percent over last year, with the number of entering freshman from Cass and Clay counties increasing 2.5 percent from September 2016. Graduate enrollment has increased 21 percent.

As admissions director, Tom leads a team charged with reaching President Anne Blackhurst’s stated enrollment goal of 7,500. That target includes 85 percent undergraduates and 15 percent graduate students. Among the ways Tom and colleagues are working to achieve it is sending school reps to visit area high schools and speaking on financial aid.

Looking Ahead

October 24
 Sergeant at ArmsEric Johnson
 Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis
 Program....Anne Kaese, St. John’s Bible exhibit
 GreetersChuck Hendrickson & Bill Craft

October 31
 Sergeant at ArmsBob Hanna
 Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis
 ProgramCheryl Wachenheim, “China on a Fulbright Fellowship”
 GreetersBrandon Lunak & Dan Eggiman

November 7
 Sergeant at ArmsJon Benson
 Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis

ProgramUniversity of Minnesota Regent
 Tom Anderson
 Greeters . Lisa Brandenburg & Brad Donabauer

November 14
 Sergeant at ArmsJean Hannig
 Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis
 ProgramNew Member Orientation
 Greeters John Shockley & Randy Farwell

November 21
 Sergeant at Arms.....Dave Sederquist
 Rotarian of the DayTroy Nellis
 ProgramNew Member Orientation
 Greeters Doreen Filler & Ray Erbes