



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

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Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Nolte
Program Chair Jean Hannig
Paddlewheel Photographer/Editor Nancy Edmonds Hanson

April Birthday

Woods, William April 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Parries, Kay and Dan 37 years
Apr. 08 1989

Wilkie, Eric and Rebekah 19 years
Apr. 14 2007

Rotary Anniversaries

Sederquist, Dave 34 years
Apr. 01 1992

Matthees, Charles 33 years
Apr. 13 1993

Hetland, Dale 24 years
Apr. 16 2002

Astrup, Steve 8 years
Apr. 16 2018

Leiseth, Janelle 1 year
Apr. 22 2025



Coming Up April 14

Minnesota State Moorhead President Tim Downs joins us for Tuesday's program. Chris Andreasen is on board as sergeant at arms.

Andreasen: 'Recital total may reach \$1M'

President Tim Hiller opened Moorhead Rotary's meeting on April 7 with a litany of announcements of fund-raisers by our fellow FM Rotary clubs:

- Fargo West is staging its annual raffle of a Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Tickets are \$100.
- Fargo Fargo-Moorhead AM Rotary is well into its sale of barbecue ribs. The teriyaki and regular ribs are prebaked and packaged in boxes of four racks, ready to thaw and reheat. Each box is \$64. Pickup will be on May 21.
- Fargo-Moorhead PM is selling raffle tickets with an e-bike as first prize.
- Fargo Rotary's Beer vs. Wine fund-raiser is Thursday, April 23, at the Nova Eatery. It features five small-plate courses by Chef Andrew Dohn, each paired with a beer and wine curated by sommelier Alex Chubaty and Minnesota wine expert Laura Botten. Beers are by Drekker Brewing. Tickets are \$75.

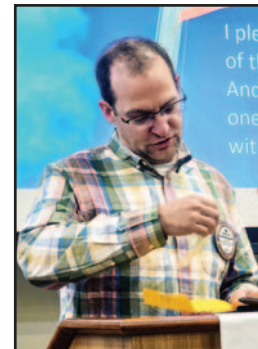
Links to purchase ribs or tickets to Beer vs. Wine are in this Paddlewheel's email message.

April Winners of Travel Raffle Revealed

President Tim ceremoniously revealed April's winners of the club's monthly Travel Giveaway to the accompaniment of drum riffs by Dave



Photos/Nancy Hanson: (Top) President Tim Hiller. Sergeant at Arms Cindy Nolte. (Above) John Andreasen talks about the Recital with a Cause. (Below) Hiller announces the final raffle winners, while Dave Sederquist builds suspense with a drum



Polio Vaccines

Inactivated Polio Vaccine

- Jonas Salk - 1955
- Contains killed virus
- Syringe injection
- Cannot cause polio
- Protects individuals from paralysis
- Used in routine immunization

Oral Polio Vaccine

- Albert Sabin - 1956
- Weakened live virus
- Drops or sugar cube
- Virus may mutate & pass into wastewater
- Easy to deliver in mass campaigns
- Key to global eradication efforts

“Until we end polio forever, every child is at risk.”

If all eradication efforts stopped today, within **10 years**, polio could paralyze as many as **200,000** children each year.



Photos:

Brandon Lunak.

Chris Andreasen.

Guest Paul Nelson and Dave Sederquist.

Eric Wilkie.

Sederquist. Tom Riley sold the third prize ticket to Gretta W., who'll get a dining certificate for Rustica. Steve Schaefer provided Amy and Keith V with the winner of \$200 cash. The grand prize, the trip for two was won by Roger R., who bought his ticket from Violet Deilke.

Sarge Cindy Touts Tales from Rotary Mag

Sergeant at Arms Cindy Nolte shared Rotary Magazine's story on the fight against malaria, a disease that causes 600,000 deaths per year, mostly in Africa. While vaccine research seems promising, Rotary International has helped tame the disease with insecticide-impregnated tents for sleeping.

She collected happy dollars from Cindy and Dave, who celebrated the Easter story and other Easter tales shared by Jean Hannig, Kay Parries and Chris Andreasen.

Recital with a Cause Nears \$1M

John Andreasen, who conceived the original idea for the Recital with a Cause while taking a shower in 2009, presented an overview of how it has grown into a major fund-raiser sponsored by the FM Rotary Foundation ... one that may reach the total of providing \$1 million for Polio Plus after this year's event.

He laid the groundwork with a primer on polio, the dreaded disease that once paralyzed hundreds of thousands of victims — mostly children — every year. The weapon to reverse its threat was the discovery of two vaccines, one by Jonas Salk in 1955, the other by Albert Sabin in 1956. The former is administered with a shot containing inactivated viral particles; the second uses a



weakened virus.

Rotary International became involved in a worldwide campaign to wipe out the disease in 1979. Since then, the frequency of infection by wild polio has dropped to less than a dozen in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

The recitals, featuring eight high-school musicians, have raised more than \$300,000 — plus double that amount matched by the Gates Foundation. If this year's event total reaches \$40,000, John said, that will push the aggregate total of the 14 annual events' support of Polio Plus past the \$1 million mark.

Looking Ahead

April 14

Sergeant at Arms.....Chris Andreasen
Program.....Dr. Timothy Downs, MSUM

April 21

Sergeant at ArmsJanelle Leiseth
Program...Dayna DelVal, “Discover Your Spark”

April 28 — Rotary Service Day

May 5

Sergeant at Arms.....Kay Parries
Program.....Julie Christianson, Landon's Light

May 12

Sergeant at Arms.....Steve Astrup
ProgramSue Baron, Golden Drive Homeless Kids

May 19 — Tour of New Moorhead Library