



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Welcome New Members!

Kevin Heazlett
American Crystal Sugar

Rob Remark
JLG Architects

Matt Hallaway
Oak Grove High School

Chris Andreasen
Pathways

Ernest Simmons
Concordia Prof. Emeritus

Abby Gold
NDSU Dept./Public Health

*Moorhead Rotary
Chartered May 1, 1921
Club 970
District 5580*

President John Andreasen
President-Elect Steve Schaefer
President Nominee 2020-2021
Jerry Rogers
President Nominee 2021-2022
Gina Monson
Treasurer Emily Gess
Secretary Teresa Joppa
Past President Corey Elmer

Directors (term expires 2018)
Eric Wilkie, Dale Hetland, Gina Monson & Brent Brandt

Directors (2019)
Tammy Finney, John Andreasen & Brett Drevlow

Directors (2020)
Jerry Rogers & Pat Gulbranson

Directors (2021)
Emily Gess, Dave Sederquist & Rob Mounts

RYLA Coordinator Randy Farwell
Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Nolte
Sergeant at Arms Team

Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson & Jean Hannig

Pianist Sharon Fangsrud
Song Leaders Bill Schwandt,
Bob Hanna, Brent Brandt

Photographer Russ Hanson
Paddlewheel Editor

Nancy Edmonds Hanson

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No noon meeting Tuesday ... instead join Rotarians and our guests at 7 p.m. Tuesday for the Recital with a Cause, our annual celebration of the region's finest young musicians and fundraiser for Polio Plus ... at Bethesda Lutheran in Moorhead.

Getting to know Violet, Abby and Jerry

President John Andreasen introduced two special guests as he opened Tuesday's meeting — Norwegian chef Steinar Vaagenes and his wife Helen, whom he met while traveling in Norway.

Fellowship honors Suomala's memory

Gary Nolte presented a Paul Harris Fellowship to our late member Paul Suomala's wife Dorothy and daughter Mary. Paul, who was active in the Moorhead club for some 20 years, had also belonged to clubs in Minnetonka, Plymouth and Perham before. Among his many contributions to the club were his famous fish fries. He was also known for his perfect attendance.

Happy dollars honor Rotarian Paul

When Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist called for happy dollars, several members contributed in Paul's memory, including Violet Deilke and Jean Hannig, who honored his wife of 44 years for bringing him to meetings as his health declined.

Brett Drevlow's dollars celebrated the Boy Scouts' successful food drive, with 1,000 pounds donated. Jerry Rogers was grateful there was no snow in Georgia, where he spent the previous week. Gary Nolte reported receiving 32 thank-you letters after talking about the Four-Way Test at MSUM.



Photos/Russ Hanson: Gary Nolte presents a Paul Harris Fellowship in honor of our late member Paul Suomala to his wife Dorothy and daughter Mary. Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist. Three Rotarians talked about their backgrounds and Rotary experiences: Violet Deilke, Abby Gold and Jerry Rogers.

Classical musicians to perform as if lives depend on it.

Local young, award-winning musicians to perform in an effort to end polio worldwide.

FARGO / MOORHEAD ROTARY CLUBS

RECTAL
WITH A CAUSE
BENEFITTING POLIO PLUS

Tuesday, April 2, 2019
7:00 PM

Bethesda Lutheran Church
401 40th Ave. S., Moorhead

Photos/Russ Hanson: Kay Parries checks in Brent Brandt and Gina Monson. Jerry Rogers and Dave Sederquist. (Below) John Andreassen's Norwegian guests.



Visitors 3/26

Dorothy & Mary Suomala
Steinar & Helen Vaagenes, Radoy,
Norway — guests of John
Andrease

April Birthdays

Drevlow, Brett Apr 29
Woods, William Apr 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Parries, Kay & Dan Apr 08 1989
30 years
Wilkie, Eric & Rebekah Apr 14 2011
8 years
Hanson, Russ & Nancy Apr 19 1975
44 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Sederquist, David 27 years
Apr 01 1992
Fangsrud, Sharon 5 years
Apr 09 2014
Johnson, Gregory 7 years
Apr 10 2012
Matthees, Charles 26 years
Apr 13 1993
Ackerman, Stacey 17 years
Apr 16 2002
Astrup, Steve 1 year
Apr 16 2018
Hetland, Dale 7 years
Apr 16 2002
Paulsen, Joel 2 years
Apr 18 2017

Members talks throw light on where fellow Rotarians are coming from

Three members were tapped for Tuesday's program, a growing tradition in which they introduce themselves more fully to those who know them primarily as Rotarians.

Violet Deilke spoke of growing up on a small farm near International Falls until the family moved to Roseau during her senior year. That's where she learned her love of horses. It's one of her passions to this day, along with travel and the Clay County Jail Ministry.

She always wanted to be a nurse, inspired by her late mother. Instead, she worked in her husband's restaurant, the Double D, for years before going to beauty college and opening her own salon, Centre for Hair and Wellness, which she has operated for 36 years. She joined Rotary in 1996, and strongly recommends attending district conferences and international conventions, where she found the idea for the project she brought back home — the annual travel raffle.

Abby Gold is one of our newest members. "I never thought I'd be a Rotarian," she said, "and I love it. Thanks for this opportunity."

A native of Brookline, Massachusetts, she came to Fargo when her ex-husband accepted a job here; she is now the vice chair of the

Department of Public Health, where she is also an associate professor. "I grew up in Boston, so I'm a big city person, but now Fargo is home," she said. She embraces her Jewish heritage and is a member of Temple Beth El.

She has two adult children — a son who's a "musical theatre dude" in New York City and a daughter who just graduated from college. Her favorite quote: "There's a crack in everything. That's how the light gets in."

Jerry Rogers, now a senior member of the club, joined Rotary in 1985. A native of Twin Valley and graduate of Mahanomen High School, he started medical school, then detoured to teaching before finally completing his medical studies at the University of Minnesota.

The family practitioner spent his first two years of practice in Hawley. He also spent several years with the Hendricks Health Service at MSUM. He currently is on staff at Essentia Clinic-Moorhead. Health care has changed dramatically, he said, with the perhaps the biggest change in patient charts: "They used to be simple and easy to understand." He also says he misses the "family" in "family medicine." Jerry has gone on two medical missions: "They change your view of the world," he said.

His favorite story: The disappointed 5-year-old who came up to him and announced, "You're not the *real* Mr. Rogers."

Looking Ahead

April 2 -- 10th Annual Recital with a Cause (No noon meeting)

Bethesda Lutheran Church, Moorhead7 p.m.

April 9

Sergeant at Arms.....Ron Kolb
Rotarian of the Day.....Jean Hannig
Program...Puerto Rico Project — Gary & Cindy Nolte
Greeters Greg Johnson & Kay Parries

April 11 — Club Social

Legends Sports Bar, 803 Belsly Blvd...4:30-7:30 p.m.
Pizza provided, beverages on your own

April 16

Sergeant at Arms..... Jean Hannig
Rotarian of the Day.....Chris Volkers
ProgramProgress report on Moorhead underpass
project, Bob Zimmerman and Tom Trowbridge
Greeters Nathan Johnson & Joel Paulsen

April 23

Sergeant at Arms Bob Hanna
Rotarian of the Day.....Scott Greelis
Program.....Higher Power Automotive
Greeters..... Sue Koesterman & Neil Qualey