



The Paddlewheel

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Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

President	David Sederquist
President-Elect	Steve Astrup
President Nominee	
Treasurer	
Secretary	Teresa Joppa
Past President	Gina Monson

Directors (2023)	Chris Andreasen, Greg Johnson & Steve Schaefer
Directors (2024)	Tracey Moorhead, & Ernie Simmons
Directorw (2025)	Tammy Finney & Jean Hannig
Directors (2026)	Nancy Hanson & Tim Hiller
RYLA Coordinator	Randy Farwell
Polio Plus Coordinator	Cindy Nolte
Program Chair	Jean Hannig
Paddlewheel Photographer/Editor	Nancy Edmonds Hanson

August Birthdays

Cater, Alma August 1

Wedding Anniversaries

Moorhead, Tracey & Richard	
59 years Aug 14 1964	
Nolte, Gary & Cindy	54 years
Aug 01 1969	
Riewer, Jon & Kristine	27 years
Aug 24 1996	

Rotary Anniveraries

Hannig, Jean	27 years
Aug 06 1996	
Nolte, Cindy	23 years
Aug 15 2000	



No Meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 1
We gather again on Tuesday, August 8.

Rotarian Jean reports on 2023 Rotary International convention in Australia

President Steve Astrup welcomed a much smaller than normal contingent of Rotarians to the club's July 25 meeting. The group included Laura Lobo, who addressed the group several weeks ago; she plans to transfer her membership from Park Rapids, Minnesota, to Moorhead.



Top Photos/Jean Hannig: 2023 Rotary International Convention. Photos/Nancy Hanson: Dale Hetland. Kay Parries and prospective member Laura Lobo.

Steve announced that the club will not hold our regular meeting on Tuesday, August 1. Our meeting room is needed for other purposes by the school district.

He reminded members that our club needs to designate at least one volunteer to work on the five-club committee that will be planning the 2024 District 5580 convention, which will be held in Fargo.

Sarge Dale urges club to work toward Rotary's Citation Award

Sergeant at Arms Dale Hetland gave an overview of Rotary International's Citation Award. According to the Rotary website, the awards recognize the hard work clubs do throughout the year. Working to achieve the citation goals helps clubs engage their members, stay relevant in their communities, and run more efficiently. He suggested our group review the listed goals, of which we may choose





Photos: (Above) RI Youth Exchange execs in Melbourne.

Bob Hanna.

President Steve Astrup.

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

half, and work toward receiving the award.

Dale imposed fines for not wearing a pin. He shared the news that Violet Deilke will not be as involved in Travel Giveaway for the coming year due to the recurrence of breast cancer. He asked members for their help in making the next campaign a success.

Dale went on to contribute happy dollars in appreciation of Violet's long years of hard, hard work that have made the annual fund-raiser the success it is today. He was joined in his applause for Violet by Steve Astrup. Jean Hannig's happy dollars were inspired by the fun experience of attending the Rotary International convention ... which she talked about next.

2023-24 RI Pres. Gordon McNally introduces theme for '23-'24: 'Create Hope in the World'

Jean Hannig took the podium to report on her trip to Melbourne, Australia, where she attended the Rotary International convention at the end of May — the eighth time she has attended its worldwide gathering.

Held in the Rod Levar Arena, the enormous gathering featured a variety of general sessions, breakout groups and entertainment. Both 2022-23 President Jennifer Jones of Ontario, the first woman president in the organization's history, and incoming president Gordon McNally of Scotland spoke of the organization's achievements over the past challenging years and their hopes for its

future.

Gordon R. McNally announced his theme for the .223-24 Rotary year, "Create Hope in the World". He explained the goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change. He emphasized the need for peace and continuity, including work to empower women and work toward diversity, equity, and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio.

In addition, McNally said, Rotary members should offer hope to those affected by mental health challenges — a crisis exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many people around the world are facing mental health issues. And yet, seeking assistance is often perceived as a sign of weakness.

"Nothing could be further from the truth," McNally said. "Reaching out for help is courageous — and continuing on a path toward wellness is even more so."

Looking Ahead

August 1—No Meeting

August 8

Sergeant at ArmsBob Hanna
Program

August 15

Sergeant at Arms Violet Deilke
Program

August 22

Sergeant at Arms Austin Rund
Program

August 29

Sergeant at Arms..... Dave Sederquist
Program

September 5

Sergeant at Arms.....Nancy Hanson
Program

September 12

Sergeant at Arms Tim Hiller
Rotarian of the DayNancy Hanson
Program.....Colburn Hvidston III,
"Spotlighting the Story"