



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

President	Gina Monson
President-Elect	David Sederquist
President Nominee	
Treasurer	Emily Gess
Secretary	Teresa Joppa
Past President	Steve Schaefer

Directors (2022)	Chris Andreasen & Steve Schaefer
Directors (2023)	Tammy Finney & Steve Astrup
Directors (2024)	Tracey Moorhead, Ernie Simmons & Megan Wiesneski
RYLA Coordinator	Randy Farwell
Polio Plus Coordinator	Cindy Nolte
Sergeant at Arms Team	Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson & Jean Hannig

Program Chair	Jean Hannig
Pianist	Sharon Fangsrud
Song Leader	Bob Hanna
Trivia Master	Brent Brandt
Photographer	Russ Hanson
Paddlewheel Editor	Nancy Edmonds Hanson

August Birthday

Alma Cater August 1

Wedding Anniversaries

Nolte, Cindy & Gary Aug 01 1969
52 years

Baldwin, Jill & Jerry Aug 02 1969
52 years

Moorhead, Tracey & Richard
Aug 14 1964 57 years

Riewer, Jon & Kristine Aug 24 1996
25 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Hannig, Jean 25 years
Aug 06 1996

Blackhurst, Anne 9 years
Aug 14 2012

Nolte, Cindy 21 years
Aug 15 2000

Meetings

Tuesdays — noon
Moorhead Schools Operations
Center, 1401 30th Ave. S.

Participate via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/742305775?pwd=VOZTMVl1NldkY2xMbnlHNEdPdIRxdz09>
Meeting ID: 742 305 775
Password: 630851



Centennial Photo & Social — August 10

Here's everyone's chance to be a cover model! We'll be taking an all-club photo on Tuesday, Aug. 10, instead of our regular noon meeting. We'll gather at 5 on the west side of the Hjemkomst Center in Viking Ship Park. Then we'll move the gathering to Rustica for a relaxed club social. **Please wear your Rotary shirt and bring pillows to donate!**

Heart of Clay Correctional Ministry provides help to incarcerated men, woman & juveniles

John Vanderlinden of Fargo West Rotary joined Moorhead Rotarians for their Aug. 3 meeting. He filled them in on plans and progress for funding the FM Rotary Foundation Natural Playground, to be built in 2022 in Moorhead's Memorial Park. The goal, he said, is 100% participation by all members of the community's clubs. Ernie Simmons, who also serves on the committee, added his endorsement.

Bring Your Best Smile — and a Pillow

After President Gina Monson welcomed him, she reminded members of our photo session at 5 p.m. Tuesday (Aug. 10). The photo will be taken at 5 on the shore of the river, followed by a relaxed summer social at Rustica starting about 5:30.

Along with urging members to wear their Rotary shirts, she said, "Don't forget your pillows!" The club is collecting 100 pillows (saluting the centennial) to be donated to Churches United for the Homeless.

She also asked members to share their most memorable Rotary moments with editor Nancy Hanson for a section of our upcoming centennial magazine. Nancy will be at the social if you'd

Photos/Russ Hanson: President Gina Monson. Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist. Rotarian of the Day Violet Deilke. Speaker Marie Swanson, board chair of Heart of Clay Correctional Ministry.

Below: Two participants in Heart of Clay share their stories.

Below right: Guest John Vanderlinden of Fargo West Rotary talks with Jon Riewer and Bill Woods.



rather talk it out than write it yourself.

Sarge Dave Shares Hiring Ad 'Fails'

Pointing to the widespread shortage of applicants for countless jobs available here and around the country, Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist shared a succession of signs pleading for job applicants.

We want YOU — your photos and memories, that is — to tell the story of Moorhead Rotary in our upcoming Centennial magazine! Please take a moment to share a paragraph or two about your favorite Rotary member — service or fellowship — with editor Nancy Hanson. If you have old photos, send them along!
 Email her at nancy.edmonds.hanson@gmail.com, or call her direct at **218-329-5748**.



Then, after fining all attendees who weren't wearing their Rotary pins, he turned to happy dollars. Jean Hannig put a dollar in the pot in thanks for guest John's report on the park and for Moorhead Rotarians' gifts and pledges. Jon Riewer announced that Bob Hanna is a sailing champion. Gary Nolte's \$5 highlighted his and Cindy's 52nd wedding anniversary and their trip to Bemidji area clubs on behalf of Polio Plus. Jerry Rogers noted last week's Rotary Foundation Golf Tournament ("it was hot!") and a trip to the Tetons and Yellowstone with his grandkids. Violet's \$5 celebrated the Heart of Clay guests ... and speaker Marie Swanson donated, too, to the Natural Playground fund. "I'm excited to hear about it," she said.

Jail Ministry Seeks to Help Rebuild Lives

Violet Deilke introduced Marie Swanson, the chair of the board of Heart of Clay Correctional Ministry, which began as Clay County Jail Ministry. She taught speech pathology at Minnesota State University Moorhead for 43 years.

The ministry provides programs to anyone incarcerated, including both adults and juveniles. It also operates two "accountability houses" in Moorhead for those who have completed their jail

sentences and who want to change their way of life.

Marie introduced two women who have taken part. Anna was born to an addicted mother and lived a rough life until she was 7. That's when her mother found religion, just before dying of cancer. Her foster home led to more abuse; religion was used as a front for it. A pregnant single mom at 20 and 21, she was sober for the first but on drugs for the second birth. She found out but didn't follow through, losing her sons and going to jail. She found the ministry program there and began to allow others to help her. Finally she applied for the Crossing Homes and sought treatment. "It saved my life," she said. "They gave me the tools and support I needed and finally found a way to trust others."

Andrea's father committed suicide when she was 3 and her mother was gone all the time at work. "I fell into the wrong crowd and started drinking at 11," she said. She sold meth for the first time at 14, and had her first child at 21. She lost him — then had a daughter, and again lost her. She ended up on the run, and was jailed in Cass County. After finding God, she said, "I now have a business, a husband and more children. I work with Marie to find more lives to save."

Looking Ahead

August 10 — Group Photo & Club Social
 5 p.m.Gather on west side of Hjemkomst for 100th anniversary photo
 5:30Club social at Rustica

August 17
Portraits for centennial magazine
 Sergeant at ArmsDale Hetland
 Rotarian of the Day.....David Sederquist
 ProgramBrian Waters of Genovac

August 24
Portraits for centennial magazine
 Sergeant at ArmsJon Riewer

Rotarian of the DayJean Hannig
 ProgramPolio Plus Update, Gary Nolte

September 7 — Service Project

September 14
 Sergeant at ArmsRon Kolb
 Rotarian of the Day
 ProgramKeith Brokke, District Governor

September 14
 Sergeant at Arms
 Rotarian of the DayCindy Nolte
 ProgramStacy Schaffer, 31:8 Project (virtual)