



The Paddlewheel

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Coming Up Tuesday, August 23

Rotarians Kay Parries and Jean Hannig report this week on the 2022 Rotary International Convention in Houston, which they both attended in June. Jerry Rogers is sergeant at arms.



Club discusses alternatives for traditional dictionary presentation to 3rd graders

President Dave Sederquist opened our meeting Aug. 16 with a video about how a Rotary club in Amherst has adopted a Syrian family. He also shared a video from District Gov. Kay Biga about her travels and district happenings. She is visiting our club on Oct. 4.



Exchange student Sergio arrives

Jean Hannig reported that our Chilean exchange student Sergio arrives on Friday, Aug. 19: "Come welcome him!" Steve Schafer and his family are Sergio's first hosts. Jean is still looking for the second and third families with whom he will stay this year.

Club considers alternatives to dictionaries

Russ Hanson, co-chair of the dictionary committee, introduced a conversation about whether we should continue to provide printed dictionaries to all Clay County third-graders, as we have for 20 years. He said the Moorhead district's teachers have suggested that, instead of dictionaries, we consider globes or maps. They say that since every student now has and uses a Chromebook in school, they're looking up words



August Birthdays

Alma Cater Aug 1

Wedding Anniversaries

Nolte, Cindy & Gary
Aug 01 1969 53 years
Moorhead, Tracey & Richard
Aug 14 1964 58 years
Riewer, Jon & Kristine
Aug 24 1996 26 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Hannig, Jean 26 years
Aug 06 1996
Blackhurst, Anne 10 years
Aug 14 2012
Nolte, Cindy 22 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=V0ZTMV11NldkY2xMMnlHNEdPdIRxdz09>
 Meeting ID: 742 305 775
 Password: 630851

on the internet instead of paging through a dictionary.

The educators say that globes will help them understand geography lessons in a way that flat and online media cannot. Russ brought samples of 16” inflatable globes that can be blown up when needed and stored flat. The cost of each globe is \$1.50. The softcover dictionaries we have presented have cost us about \$3.50 in the past.

What of students in other schools where digital devices are not as widely used? Russ will check with others around the county.

Much discussion followed. Tim Hiller, father of a third-grader, said his family would prefer the globe. Sue Koesterman reminded us of the expressed need for globes. One suggestion was to present globes to all but let kids sign up for the dictionary.

Another: offer both during a trial year.

The board will discuss the options at its next meeting. Members are being polled (in the cover email that carries this Paddlewheel) to share their own thoughts on the issue.

Sarge Dale: Polio is back!

Sergeant at Arms Dale Hetland Reported that polio has been detected in New York City. Vaccinations for children are down, as Covid caused parents to delay doctor visits. “If one person has turned up paralyzed, there are likely to be hundreds who are infected there,” he said.

He went on to fine Tim Hiller for a “breach of Rotary decorum” — failing to wear his Rotary pin in the photo that was published in the Forum.

Looking Ahead

Aug. 23

Sergeant at Arms.....Jerry Rogers
 ProgramKay Parries & Jean Hannig
 2022 RI convention report

Aug. 30

Sergeant at ArmsBob Hanna
 ProgramRandy Farwell, RYLA

September 6

Special club program

September 13

Rotarian of the DayTeresa Joppa
 Program Merri Chrilllieb,
 Freedom Resource Center

September 20

Rotarian of the DayCindy Nolte
 ProgramMayor Shelly Carlson,
 Moorhead Sales Tax Initiative for Community
 Center & Library

September 27

Rotarian of the DayJon Riewer
 Program Don Kinzler, Fall Garden Tips

October 4

Rotarian of the DayKay Parries
 ProgramDistrict Governor Kay Biga

October 11

Rotarian of the Day.....Dave Tranby
 ProgramAbe Tomayo, Salvation Army

October 18

Rotarian of the Day.....Gary Nolte
 ProgramSteve Iverson, Moorhead
 Public Works director