



# The Paddlewheel

## Moorhead Rotary Club

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### Welcome New Members!

**Kevin Heazlett**  
American Crystal Sugar

**Rob Remark**  
JLG Architects

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

President John Andreasen/Troy Nellis  
Dave Sederquist/Corey Elmer  
President-Elect Steve Schaefer  
President Nominee 2020-2021  
Jerry Rogers  
President Nominee 2021-2022  
Gina Monson  
Treasurer Doreen Filler  
Secretary TBD  
Past President Corey Elmer

Directors (2018)  
Eric Wilkie, Dale Hetland, Gina Monson & Brent Brandt  
Directors (2019)  
Tammy Finney, John Andreasen & Brett Drevlow  
Directors (2020)  
Jerry Rogers, Troy Nellis & Pat Gulbranson  
Directors (2021)  
Emily Gess, Dave Sederquist & Rob Mounts  
RYLA Coordinator Randy Farwell  
Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Nolle  
Sergeant at Arms Team  
Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson, Mike Hulett & Jean Hannig  
Pianist Sharon Fangsrud  
Song Leaders Bill Schwandt, Bob Hanna, John Andreasen  
Photographer Russ Hanson  
Paddlewheel Editor



### Coming Up Tuesday

Rotarian Jean Hannig, who chairs District 5580's youth exchange program, will talk about inbound and outbound opportunities this week. Ron Kolb is sergeant at arms. New member Kevin Heazlett and Steve Astrup are greeters of the day.

*Photos/Russ Hanson:  
Song leader Brent Brandt  
and pianist Sharon  
Fangsrud.*

*Sergeant at Arms Mike  
Hulett.*

*Rotarian of the Day Nathan  
Johnson.*

*(Right) Derrick LaPointe,  
executive director of  
Downtown Moorhead Inc.*



### Downtown Moorhead, Inc., is looking for opportunities to make the area thrive

Acting president Corey Elmer filled in for John Andreasen Tuesday, welcoming guests Abby Thornton, an outbound foreign exchange student headed to Brazil, and Annie Wood of MSUM, as well as Violet Deilke's husband Karl.

Assistant District Governor Kay Parries urged members to consider two volunteer opportunities sponsored by all five F-M clubs on Sept. 8. The first is the sixth annual Flatlander, the bicycle event. It needs participants — but also members to run the day's events. The runs start at Lindenwood Park.

Later that day, the park hosts another annual event — the International Student Picnic. Kay circulated sign-up sheets. She noted that few Moorhead members have taken part in the past, and urged more to consider welcoming the foreign collegiates. Please talk to her about stepping forward to help with either activity ... or both.

### Sarge Mike collects 'happy dollars'

After quizzing new members Steve Astrup and Scott Greelis on what they know about Rotary, Sergeant at Arms Mike Hulett moved on to the weekly collection of happy dollars. Among the occasions being celebrated: Jean Hannig cited

excellent summer theatre. Sharon Fangsrud is about to gain a second grandchild. Brett Brandt saluted not only his summer visit to California, but the firefighters working hard to protect people and property.

Steve Schaefer noted encounters with bear and elk during a family vacation. Emily chipped in, she said, to try to "dispel a bad mood." Eric stepped up, feeling relief that her mood seemed to be brightening. Finally, Teresa Joppa's donation honored the upcoming Fargo AirSho.

### Downtown Moorhead exec shares plans to bring new vitality to city's central core

Rotarian of the Day Nathan Johnson introduced Derrick LaPointe, the president and chief executive officer of the newly formed nonprofit Downtown Moorhead Inc. The former University of North Dakota hockey star, who played professionally for a short time, was hired in February to lead the group, which grew out of conversations begun by Dave Anderson of Sanford and Bob Booth of Bell Bank. After 100 applicants were screened for the job, the committee recruited Derrick from his job as a planner with the city of Fargo.



Photos/Russ Hanson: (Above) Gina Monson and guest Annie Wood.



(Center) Jean Hannig proffers a happy fiver. She went on to win the raffle.



Corey Elmer subbed at the podium for President John Andreasen.

### Guests — July 31

Annie Wood, MSUM, guest of Gina Monson  
 Addy Thornton, MHS student outbound to Brazil as FES  
 Karl Deilke, guest of Violet Deilke

### August Birthday

Cater, Alma Aug 01

### Wedding Anniversaries

Nolte, Cindy & Gary Aug 01 1969  
 49 years  
 Baldwin, Jill & Jerry Aug 02 1969  
 49 years  
 Hendrickson, Chuck & Renae  
 Aug 13 1994 24 years  
 Moorhead, Tracey & Richard  
 Aug 14 1964 54 years  
 Beaton, Tim & Joan Aug 17 1971  
 47 years  
 Belcher, Barb & David Aug 17 2013  
 5 years  
 Johnson, Eric & Kirsten Aug 21 2012  
 6 years  
 Riewer, Jon & Kristine Aug 24 1996  
 22 years  
 Schwandt, Bill & Chery Aug 29 1981  
 37 years

### Rotary Anniversaries

Hannig, Jean 22 years  
 Aug 06 1996  
 Brandenburg, Liz 1 year  
 Aug 12 2017  
 Drevlow, Brett 1 year  
 Aug 12 2017  
 Lorenson, Pat 1 year  
 Aug 12 2017  
 Mounts, Rob 1 year  
 Aug 12 2017  
 Blackhurst, Anne 6 years  
 Aug 14 2012  
 Nolte, Cindy 18 years  
 Aug 15 2000

Derrick explained the organization is a partnership between the Moorhead Economic Development Authority, the Chamber of Commerce, Moorhead Business Association, the local colleges and private businesses in the community.

He cited the boom in apartment construction now taking place in the downtown area — Block E, with its rentals, office space and restaurant/bar; the \$8 million Simon’s Warehouse redevelopment into 65 lofts; the \$6 million 9Thirteen Lofts apartments near Hornbacher’s; the mixed-use development at 814 Center Avenue (with retail, a restaurant and a large apartment); and the original Moorhead Armory west of Simon’s, which will become an event center.

Derrick noted that the Renaissance Zone being created here will provide property tax exemptions as an incentive for bringing business to the area. “We want to create urban areas where people

want to go and to be,” he said.

The goal, he said, is to add 500 residential units in five years — a goal well within reach. He also explained planned redesign of Center Avenue through the downtown area. Both are envisioned as parts of the redevelopment master plan now being assembled.

Members asked about the large amount of empty retail space at the Center Mall. Derrick noted that the city owns the halls and parking areas. That means that a portion of the city’s cost of the improvements — estimated at \$800,000 to \$1 million, depending on options — will be assessed to property owners.

### Jean Hannig draws the winning card

Jean Hannig won the chance to draw a card for the weekly raffle — and picked the right one. Treasurer Doreen Filler estimated her prize will net her about \$100.

## Looking Ahead

### August 7

Sergeant at Arms .....Ron Kolb  
 Rotarian of the Day .....  
 Program..... Jean Hannig, Rotary International  
 Student Exchange Programs  
 Greeters.....Steve Astrup & Kevin Heazlett

### August 14

Sergeant at Arms .....Pat Gulbranson  
 Rotarian of the Day .....  
 Program .....Carrie Brimhall, president, M State  
 Greeters.....Jill Baldwin & Rod McLaman

### August 21

Sergeant at Arms .....Rob Mounts  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Steve Schaefer  
 Program..... Hillary Mork, Sanford  
 Children’s Hospital  
 Greeters.....Tim Beaton & Gina Monson

### August 28

Sergeant at Arms .....Mike Hulett  
 Rotarian of the Day .....  
 Program ..... Moorhead Public Schools  
 Greeters .....Barb Belcher & Noel Moore

### September 4

Sergeant at Arms .....Mike Hulett  
 Rotarian of the Day .....  
 Program .....  
 Greeters.....Jon Benson & Tracy Moorhead

### September 8 — The Flatlander

F-M Rotary Ride. Sixth annual bicycling event.  
 Proceeds go to Rotary Ride Safe Program.  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-flatlander-fm-rotary-ride-2018-registration-45942571468?aff=erelexpmlt>

### September 8 — International Student Picnic

Annual 5-club welcome event for college students at Lindenwood Park -- volunteers